

GLENDALE MARINE PATROL BUILDING TAKING SHAPE, SHOULD OPEN IN FALL

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GILFORD — After a nearly year-long construction period, the new Marine Patrol Headquarters building is scheduled to be completed in early October. The new Glendale headquarters will go from a 1960s block cement building to a two-story, 32,000-square-foot building on the same footprint as the old one, which is roughly the area formerly occupied by Goodhue's Boat Yard.

The building, said Sgt. Crystal McLain, will provide the Marine Patrol the ability to store and work on their boats, additional parking, a boat registration area, and training and administrative office space.

Gilford Town Administrator Scott Dunn said the Glendale docks will still have the same amount of parking for Gilford residents but the traffic pattern from the upper parking lot to the lower parking lot will be reversed.

During the rollout of the construction plans in February 2015, Marine Patrol Capt. Tim Dunleavy said once construction is complete, the agency will no longer need to store impounded boats, broken buoys or other lake debris outside of the building.

Additionally, some work has been done to better storm water management.

The legislature appropriated \$9,279,313 for the project in the 2013-2015 capital budget.



Construction on the 32,000-square-foot Marine Patrol building continues apace with a scheduled completion date in October. (Laconia Daily Sun Photo – Gail Ober)