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## Science North to Receive New Floating Dock in June

(SUDBURY, ON) – Big changes are coming to the Ramsey Lake waterfront as construction begins next month on Science North's new floating dock. The project follows the decommissioning of the previous wooden section of the Jim Gordon Boardwalk last fall, which had served the community for more than 30 years but was no longer safe for use.

Installation of the new dock is expected to be completed by the end of June, after which it will be open for public use. In the meantime, access to the construction area will be closed to ensure public safety. Signage will be in place to direct visitors to an alternate walking route that connects to the main boardwalk.

Science North is in discussions with the operator of the *William Ramsey* boat cruise to bring back this popular experience, with the goal of resuming service for the 2025 season. Plans are also underway to relaunch Science North's seasonal patio, offering drinks and appetizers for visitors to enjoy by the waterfront. Stay tuned for more details as the summer heats up!

This project is supported by the Government of Ontario and funded in part through a grant from Trans Canada Trail, in partnership with the Rainbow Routes Association, to enhance our local section of Canada's national trail.

Science North will continue to provide updates on the project's progress through its website and social media channels.

### About Science North

Science North brings science to life by connecting people through stories, curiosity, and shared exploration. As Northern Ontario's premier science destination, it offers immersive, hands-on experiences at two dynamic science centres in Greater Sudbury: Science North and Dynamic Earth. At Science North, visitors explore world-class exhibits, an IMAX® theatre, a digital Planetarium, a butterfly gallery, and four floors of interactive STEM experiences. Dynamic Earth, home to the iconic Big Nickel, features earth sciences exhibits, a lapidary lab, and an underground mining tour. Beyond its walls, Science North

sparks curiosity across Northern Ontario with dedicated satellite offices in Thunder Bay and Sault Ste. Marie. Through these hub locations Science North provides innovative outreach programs, long-term exhibitions, school visits, festivals, and summer camps across the North. Science North also creates and tours award-winning exhibitions and immersive experiences worldwide. In partnership with Laurentian University, it also delivers North America's only comprehensive Science Communication graduate program. Science North is an agency of the Government of Ontario. For more information, visit [sciencenorth.ca](http://sciencenorth.ca).

## About Rainbow Routes Association

Rainbow Routes Association is dedicated to Greater Sudbury's urban transformation toward becoming a healthier and more vibrant place to live. As Greater Sudbury's leading trail association since 1998, the RRA brings together people, ideas & resources to help develop & promote the urban hiking routes that run through the City of Greater Sudbury. If you're interested in learning more about our current projects, visit our current projects page on RRA's website at [rainbowroutes.com/ourprojects](http://rainbowroutes.com/ourprojects)

## About Trans Canada Trail

The Trans Canada Trail is the world's longest network of multi-use recreational trails. As of August 2021, the Trail stretches more than 28,000 km – and continues to grow – across every province and territory. It's a showcase of Canada's diverse landscapes and cultures, and a sustainable national asset that fosters unity, collaboration and connectedness. Our national trail is managed by local trail groups and partners who work in conjunction with Trans Canada Trail, a registered charity.

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