## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## Courtesy at the boat ramp

- The line is formed by the vehicles and trailers on land (not by the boats in the water).
- Ready the boat before going to the ramp:
  - Move gear from the vehicle to the watercraft.
  - Remove tie downs (not the winch line).
  - Insert the drain plug.
  - Unhook the wiring for trailer lights.
- Be patient with yourself and others. Offer to help if someone is struggling with any aspect of launching. They may decline your offer, but often an offer for help is appreciated. Boaters can have disabilities that are not visible and may need extra time to perform all launching and loading procedures safely.