Public Service Announcement White Lake, North Carolina

May 22, 2025 - Due to recent verified sightings of alligators in White Lake, the Town of White Lake, North Carolina has issued a <u>Public Service</u> Announcement for its residents and visitors.

Because alligators can be found in increasing numbers in southeastern North Carolina, the NC Wildlife Resources Commission, (NCWRC), has recently collaborated with other agencies to launch GatorWise, a website that informs the public about alligator awareness and responses.

GatorWise offers these guidelines in areas where alligators may be present:

- Assume alligators are present
- Never feed alligators
- Do not dispose of fish or food scraps in water
- Never harass, capture, or handle an alligator
- Be responsible for people and pets in your care
- Maintain awareness anytime you are in or near water

If you see an alligator in the water or on the land around White Lake, call Bladen County Animal Control at 910 862-6918.

For more information, visit:

www.gatorwise.org

www.ncwildlife.org