



## Greetings from Port San Luis Harbor District March 2019 Newsletter

**Harbor Manager Notes** - Welcome to the March 2019 Edition of the Port San Luis Harbor District Newsletter. This monthly newsletter is provided to you in an effort to keep the community informed about what's going on at the Port. Enjoy the news.



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**Upcoming Holiday Office Closures** – None!

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**Action from the March 26, 2019 Commission Meeting** - The agenda and staff reports can be found here:

**Closed Session** included 3 items:

- Conference with legal counsel regarding the matter of *Lowry v. Port San Luis Harbor District*.
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2): Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation. Number of potential cases: 1 (one).
- Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8: Conference with Real Property Negotiators. Property: Harford Pier Lease Site currently known as the Ice Facility (to be used for a Fish Market). – this item will be heard at a special meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Open Session** included 7 Consent items and 6 Discussion items, the discussion items were as follows:

- Fishermen's Gear Storage Permit: Reviewed amended permit; recommend approval at the April BOC meeting
- Temporary Relocation of Fishermen's Gear Storage: Reviewed options; staff directed to relocate in the Avila Parking lot.
- Hoist #4 Speed Adjustment: Reviewed history and findings; approved funding with conditions.
- Retail/Wholesale Fish Market Request for Proposals (RFP): Reviewed and discussed proposal received in response to RFP; named Ed (Butch) and Barbara Powers dba Olde Port Fish and Seafood Company as finalist and staff directed to begin negotiation process
- Sewer/Water Rate Study: Reviewed proposal; approved.
- Dredge Permit Renewal: Reviewed permit options; direction provided to staff.
- Special District Risk Management Authority (SDRMA): Call for nominations to the SDRMA Board; no action.

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**Safe Boating for Summertime** -national Safe Boating Week will begin on May 21<sup>st</sup> and go through Memorial Day weekend. This is a great time to review safe-boating practices while having fun with family and friends. Here are some reminders before you head out in the water:

- **Check the Weather** – know the latest marine weather forecast and monitor for changing conditions.
- **Travel Responsibly/Operate Safely** – carry and wear mandatory, properly fitted USCG-approved life preservers (PFD's) for each person on board, plus other safety equipment required by the USCG. Operate your vessel at a safe speed, looking out for other boats, swimmers, wildlife and various floating object.

**North American Safe Boating Campaign**

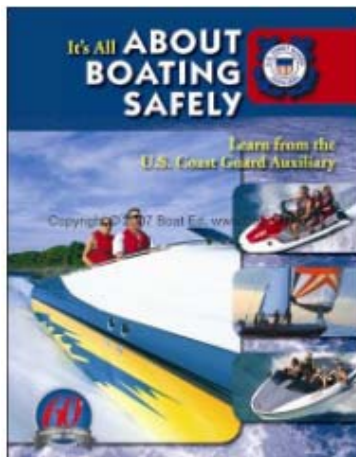
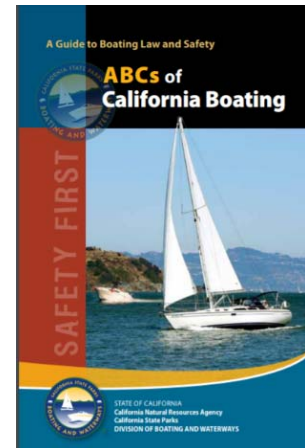
**WEAR IT!**

It's not enough to simply carry life jackets; you have to wear one.

Accidents on the water happen too fast to reach stowed life jackets.

[www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com](http://www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com)

- **Alcohol and Boating Don't Mix** – More than ½ of all marine fatalities are alcohol related.
- **Respect the Rights of Others** – With increased boating, stand-up paddleboarders and kayakers, it's everyone's responsibility to respect the rights of others. Be courteous, patient and show consideration, especially to those who may be new to boating.
- **Let Someone Know Where You Are Going** – tell a friend or relative where you are headed and how long you will be gone. Communications devices can be the most important emergency equipment on board.
- **Educate Yourself** – now is a great time to educate yourself with a class from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, use the "Find a Class" at this website;  
[http://www.cgaux.org/boating/class\\_finder/index.php](http://www.cgaux.org/boating/class_finder/index.php)
- **Know the Law Before Heading Out** – Rules and laws can differ from state to state with violations, Pick up a free copy of "The ABC's of California Boating Law in the Harbor office or check out the document at this web site;  
[https://dbw.parks.ca.gov/pages/28702/files/DBW\\_ABCs\\_of\\_Boating\\_2017.pdf](https://dbw.parks.ca.gov/pages/28702/files/DBW_ABCs_of_Boating_2017.pdf).



About Boating Safely Class – if you are interested in an exciting, in-depth boating safety course, check out the in classroom (seminar) version of our popular online boating course. The class will be held in Port San Luis on July 28<sup>th</sup>, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Registration information can be found here;  
[http://wow.uscgaux.info/pe\\_class\\_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=23623](http://wow.uscgaux.info/pe_class_flyer.php?unit=NAT&course=23623)

This beginner boating class will give you the knowledge needed to obtain a boat license or safety certification in many states. Many boat insurance companies will offer discounts on boating insurance to boaters who successfully complete the class

### FAQ's – Why Are Some of the RV Camping Spots

**Closed at Port San Luis** - With the anticipated ground breaking of the Harbor Terrace project, the Harbor District has been working to make sure the site is ready for the developer. This includes reorganizing and downsizing of the Harbor District's equipment, closing trailer boat storage and relocating Fishermen's Gear Storage. The RV camping sites near the Coastal Gateway building will remain open throughout the summer as well as RV camping on Nobi Point and Woodyard. Overflow camping is closed and Babe Lane camping will be closed in the near future.



Thank you for your patience during this construction process.

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## Upcoming Events

**\*\*Opening Day Salmon Season** – Saturday, April 6, 2019.

**\*\*Board of Commissioners Special Meeting** – Thursday, April 11, 2019 – 10:00 a.m.

**\*\*Board of Commissioners April Committee Meetings** – Thursday, April 11, 2019. Property Committee – 1:30 p.m., Finance Committee – 3:00 p.m.

**\*\*Board of Commissioners April Meeting** – The April meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> with Open Session beginning at 6:00 p.m.

**\*\*Safe Boating Day at Port San Luis** – Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Come and learn about boating, exchange your PDF's and meet the local Coast Guard Auxiliary Folks.



**Quote of the Month** - "In March the soft rains continued, and each storm waited courteously until its predecessor sunk beneath the ground."

~ John Steinbeck, [East of Eden](#)

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### Our Mission

To serve the public with an array of commercial and recreational boating, fishing, and coastal-related opportunities, while ensuring an environmentally responsible, safe, well-managed, and financially sustainable harbor that preserves our marine heritage and character.



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