



# News Release

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## Division of Boating and Waterways Now Accepting Applications for Clean Vessel Act Education and Outreach Grants

*SACRAMENTO, Calif.* - The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is now accepting grant applications for the Clean Vessel Act Education and Outreach Program. Funding is available to any organization for educating coastal and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta boaters about sewage related issues, impacts, resources available to them, and proper vessel sewage disposal practices to encourage the use of pumpout facilities and mobile pumpout services.

For 2018, up to \$500,000 Federal Clean Vessel Act funds will be made available through the DBW's Clean Vessel Act Program. The program targets the following two geographic regions in California (inland work performed beyond the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area does not qualify for grant funding):

- **San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary:** San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Sacramento, Solano, Napa, Sonoma and Marin counties.
- **Southern California Coastal Counties:** Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego.

DBW will provide funding for two grants (one for each targeted California geographic region and up to \$250,000 each) that will develop and implement a 12-month Clean Vessel Act Boater Education and Outreach Program for one of the two targeted geographic regions mentioned above. Each regional grant must include education, outreach and monitoring components.

**Proposals must be received by the division in either hard copy form or via e-mail (pdf format) prior to the end of business on October 13, 2017.** Proposals will not be accepted via fax. Applications will be evaluated and ranked according to how each application proposal



demonstrates comprehensive and proven methods for meeting grant program goals. Instructions, requirements and guidelines are available on the DBW's website at <http://dbw.parks.ca.gov/cvagrants>.

In 1992, Congress passed the Clean Vessel Act to help reduce pollution from vessel sewage discharges into U.S. waters. The grant program established by the Act will help fund the construction, renovation, operation, and maintenance of pumpout and dump stations to service recreational vessels.

As part of its commitment to provide clean, safe, and enjoyable recreational boating in California, DBW serves as the state grant coordinator. The division also provides boater education programs to promote public awareness about boat sewage and its proper disposal.

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**Division of Boating and Waterways Mission**

*DBW is a division within California State Parks. The division provides safe and convenient public access to California's waterways and leadership in promoting safe, enjoyable and environmentally sound recreational boating.*

**California State Parks Mission**

*To provide for the health, inspiration and education of the people of California by helping to preserve the state's extraordinary biological diversity, protecting its most valued natural and cultural resources, and creating opportunities for high quality outdoor recreation.*

