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Finally, we want to express our appreciation to you, our boating visitors, for your patience during this latest in a series of frustrating challenges with the boat hoist. We anticipate that these latest improvements signal a new period of improved reliability and service to you.

California State Parks exists, in part, to create opportunities for high-quality outdoor recreation. This boat hoist with its associated improvements is a tangible demonstration of our continuing commitment to provide you access to these opportunities. We welcome your comments and suggestions and thank you for your continuing support.

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Gaviota State Park Boat Hoist Operator Training. All prospective hoist users are required to complete this training. Successful completion of this training requires you to do four things:

1. Demonstrate your knowledge of proper hoist operation.
2. Demonstrate your ability to safely and correctly launch and retrieve your vessel.
3. Demonstrate that your vessel and associated equipment meet all safety and other legal requirements.
4. Agree to abide by hoist operating policies and park regulations.

Once you have successfully completed this training, your name will be added to a "Passed Training" Roster and you will be authorized to operate the hoist.

Vessel owners who successfully complete this training and whose vessel passes the safety & equipment inspection will be issued a Hoist Operator Card matched to the vessel's CF number. This card will activate the hoist via a proximity card reader during regular park hours throughout the year. This card is assigned to the vessel and is only to be used to launch and retrieve that vessel.

Vessel owners may allow others who have also completed this training to use their Operator Card to launch the vessel to which the card is assigned. Owners are responsible for ensuring that only those persons who have successfully completed Hoist Operator Training operate the hoist. California State Parks may revoke an Operator Card and deny access to the hoist at any time if a hoist user fails to follow proper hoist operating practices and/or fails to observe applicable laws and regulations.

By following the procedures you learn in this course, you will help ensure that the boat hoist at Gaviota State Park continues to provide you and your fellow boaters with access to some of the best ocean recreation along the California coast. You also contribute to a safe and enjoyable recreational experience for everyone at Gaviota State Park.