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Applications for Clean Vessel Act Grant Program due Sept. 26

SACRAMENTO, Calif. - The California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is currently accepting grant applications for the Clean Vessel Act Education and Outreach Grant (CVA) Program. Grants are available to any organization for educating coastal and Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta recreational boaters about proper vessel sewage disposal in an effort to help keep California's marinas, waterways, and ocean clean and healthy. The deadline to submit applications is Sept. 26, 2016.

As part of DBW's commitment to provide clean, safe, and enjoyable recreational boating in California, the division serves as the state CVA Program Grant Coordinator. The CVA Program serves as an important educational opportunity for organizations to inform the recreational boating community 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.

The program focuses in the following two targeted geographic regions in California (inland work, even in these counties should not be performed under this grant, except the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta):

- **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) that will develop and implement a 12-month CVA Boater Education and Outreach Program for each of the two targeted geographic regions mentioned above. Each regional grant must include education, outreach and monitoring components.

Detailed information on the application process and a complete guidelines packet can be found online at <http://www.dbw.parks.ca.gov/Funding/CVAGrant.aspx>.



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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.

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