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Boating Infrastructure Grants Available for Marina Operators

Sacramento, Calif. – California State Parks Division of Boating and Waterways (DBW) is accepting applications for the National Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG). Applicants must submit a grant application to DBW on or before Aug. 11, 2016.

BIG is a competitive program open to both publicly owned and privately owned marinas to renovate or construct visitor docks, restrooms, gangways and dockside utility hook-ups. The program is funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, for transient boat dock improvements. Nationally, an estimated \$4 million is available for Tier I projects and \$9 million is available for Tier II projects to both publicly owned and privately owned marinas to install or upgrade visitor tie-up facilities for recreational boats 26 feet or greater in length. Eligible projects include the renovation or construction of visitor docks, restrooms, gangways, and dockside utility hook-ups.

Applicants should first review the [federal guidelines](#) to determine if they meet the necessary requirements. Marina operators eligible to compete in this program should contact Ron Kent at Ron.Kent@parks.ca.gov or (916) 327-1819.

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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.

