Florida Department of Environmental Protection



Florida Clean Marina and Clean Vessel Act Programs

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Office of Sustainable Initiatives

The Office of Sustainable Initiatives is composed of **voluntary**, **non-regulatory** programs that safeguard Florida's natural resources while improving the state's quality of life and economic viability.

The Office of Sustainable Initiatives is primarily responsible for:

- Florida Clean Marina Program
- Clean Vessel Act Grant Program
- Florida Green Lodging Program



Florida Clean Marina Program

The Clean Marina Program is a <u>voluntary</u> designation program for Marinas, Retailers and Boatyards that exhibit a proactive approach to environmental stewardship.















Florida Clean Marina Program

The Clean Marina Program helps to meet Secretary Vinyard's priority of "getting the water right."













- 1. Ensuring a more certain regulatory process that is interpreted consistently across the state and that is proactive to the environment
- 2. Getting the water right in Florida
- 3. Giving Floridians and visitors more opportunities to enjoy our award winning state parks



Clean Boating Partnership

















Clean Marina Program Stats

Program Totals:

- Designated Clean Marinas: 279 (23 Monroe County)
- Designated Clean Boatyards: 42 (1 Monroe County)
- Designated Clean Retailers: <u>19</u> (2 Monroe County)

To become designated, facilities must implement a set of criteria designed to protect Florida's waterways. Examples include:

- Protection of sensitive habitats
- Waste management
- Spill prevention and emergency preparedness
- Stormwater control



Florida Clean Marina Program

- Completely non-regulatory and voluntary.
- The Florida Clean Marina Program is a true partnership between industry and government.
- Designed to benefit marine and freshwater bodies of water.
- Ties together facilities, boaters and the environment.
- It's about Prevention.
- It's about Clean Water.



Clean Marina Program Benefits

- Technical assistance
- Compliance assistance
- Grant funding for pumpouts
- Possible insurance discounts
- Discount on Submerged Land Leases
- Attract and Keep Customers
 - Clean Water Clean Environment Protecting the resources that bring them to Florida & the Keys



Compliance Assistance Topics

- Air regulations
- Stormwater regulations
- Wastewater regulations
- Hazardous waste regulations
- Submerged land regulations
- Fuel storage tank regulations





Categories of Program Criteria

 The requirements for designation in each of the Florida Clean Marina Programs can be divided into three separate categories.

Environmental Management

- Compliance with Environmental Regulations
- Resource Person available for assistance and information
- Publishing Environmental Policies

Environmental Quality

 Promoting Clean Water through management and providing information (e.g. oil, sewage, litter)

Services

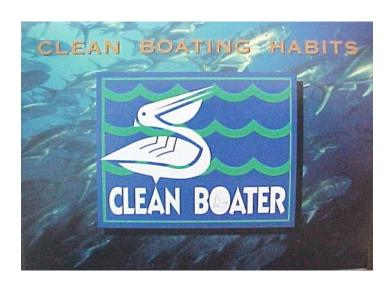
- Training of staff
- Education
- Clean Facilities i.e. docks, restrooms





Resource Toolkit

- Clean Marina Manual
- Panic Preventer File
- Clean Boating Habits
- Brochures









Best Management Practices





Section 1: Checklist

Checklist SECTION 1 Required Optional **EMERGENCIES Points** Points 1. Emergency "Panic" File On Site 20 20 2. Staff Trained for Emergencies 3. Marina Prepared for Fuel Spill 20 Total Required Optional **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS** Hurricane Preparation Plan 2. Practice Hurricane Procedures 10 Total 30 Required Optional BOAT CLEANING Points **Points** 1. Ship's store provides biodegradable soaps for washing boats 10 2. Provide education material to 10 boaters on proper boat cleaning 3. Prohibit the use of cleansers that contain ammonia, petroleum distillates, sodium hypochlorite or 10 chlorinated solvents 4. Use cleaning methods that prevent the release of pollutants to surface waters 10 Post signs or displays to promote proper boat cleaning methods 10 Bilges are checked and contents disposed of properly before drain plug is pulled 10 7. Use infiltration areas to treat rinse water 10 8. Educate public about existing 10 and potential exotics in your area 9. Post educational signage about invasive exotics to boaters 10 Total **Required Points Optional Points** Checklist 3

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS:

- The Pollutant Discharge Act addresses transfers of pollutants: Section 376.07 Florida Statutes.

 (a) In Insfer equipment and hoses shall be maintained in good repair and operating condition.
 Chapter 62N-16.035 Florida Administrative Code.
 - (b) Delivery nozzles should be hard connected and hung vertically when not in use. Chapter 62N-16.035 Florida Administrative Code.
 - (c) Poll tants remaining in a hose cannot be drained onto the ground or water. Chapter 2N-16.035 Florida Administrative Code.
 - (d) Safety apact valves are required for dispensers. Chapter 62N-16 Florida Administrative Code.
- Facility owner/operators or designees must be present during fueling and must have direct access to emergency shut off devices. Chapter 62N-16 Florida Administrative Code.

Regulatory
Requirements
if applicable



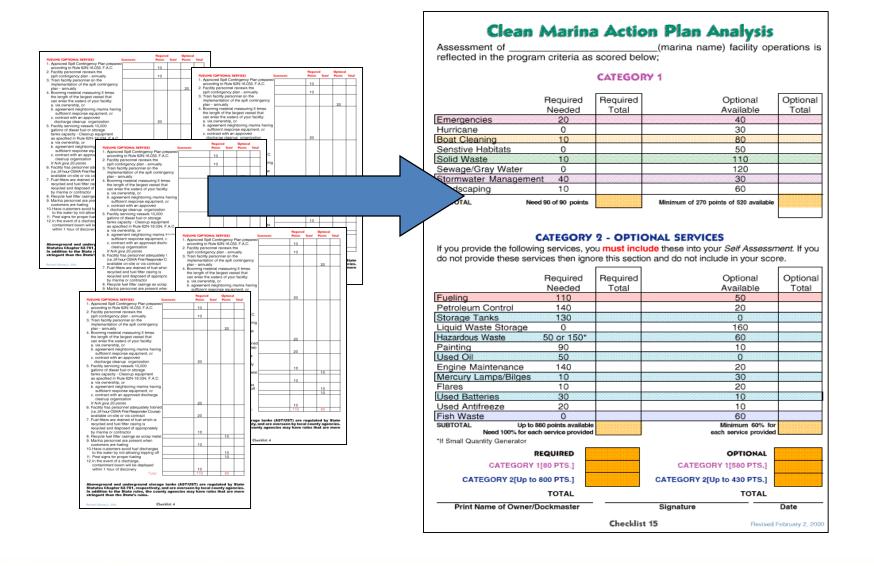
Section 2: Criteria

- Environmental Management
- Environmental Quality
- Environmental Services

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			Marina Name (please print)	
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			Environmental Management	
A.	Marina En	pliance with environmental and submerged land lease regulations, and using na Environmental Measures as determined from the self-assessment checklist a gnation review.		
	YES	NO	If NO, then implement all applicable me determined from completing the self-as checklist for Compliance and Marina Measures in Section I. Indicate when measures will be accomplished and total implement. When complete note the data	sessment Environmental all applicable al cost to
		\$		
	When	Cost	Completed	
B.	Available resource person at the marina who provides customers with environmental information, and who can be contacted for inquires about the Clean Marina Program and environmental issues pertinent to the marina.			
	YES	NO	If NO, then designate someone who will pro with environmental information and info Clean Marina Program. Indicate when the and cost to implement. When complete	rmation about the s will be accomplished
		\$		
	When	Cost	Completed	
C.	Adequate	and well-mana	ged trash/garbage containers.	
	YES	NO	If NO, provide trash/garbage containers feet, keep empty and managed for clea when this will be accomplished and cos When completed note the date.	nliness. Indicate
		\$		
	When	Cost	Completed Checklist 17	FORM: CMP004 Revised February 2, 2000



Clean Marina Action Plan





Designation and Recognition

- Certificate with Director's signature
- Right to use logo
- Flag to fly at facility
- Clean Boater guides









Clean Marina Certificate

CLEAN MARINA CLEAN BOATYARI

Florida Clean Marina Program

Florida Department of Environmental Protection & the Clean Boating Partnership recognizes:

BLUEPOINTS MARINA PORT CANAVERAL, FLORIDA

for its commitment to become a designated Clean Marina & Clean Boatyard

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Brad Stombock, Director / Sustainable Initiatives Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Date



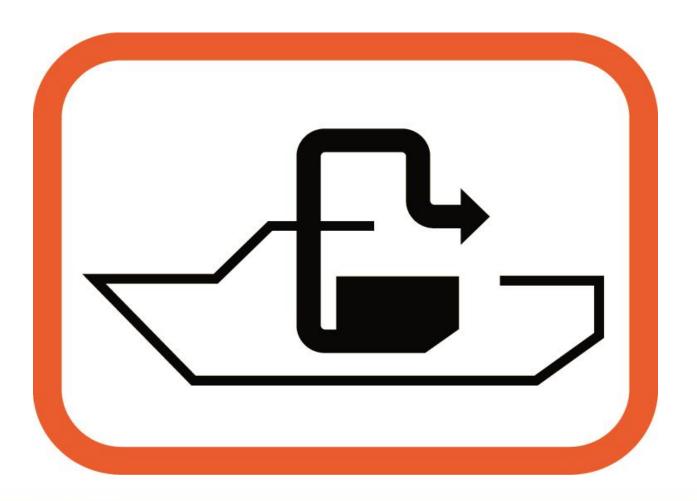








Clean Vessel Act Program





Florida Statute 327.53

- Established in 1994 as a result of the Federal Clean Water Act
- Prohibited the discharge of raw sewage within 9 nautical miles of the shore in the gulf and 3 nautical miles in the Atlantic
- Allowed the establishment of No Discharge Zones
 - Destin Harbor
 - City of Key West waters
 - Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary



Pitch In, Pump Out





New awareness campaign launched August 2010.



Clean Vessel Act Program

The Florida Clean Vessel Act (CVA) Program provides grant funding to marina owners and operators for boater pumpout facilities.

CVA grant funds can be obtained for the following pumpout related projects:

- Purchase and installation of equipment
- Maintenance and repair of equipment
- Operations and education

Grants will cover up to <u>75%</u> reimbursement of costs for these projects.



Clean Vessel Act (Funding)

- Funded through grants made possible by the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Florida Inland Navigation District.
- US Fish and Wildlife provides the majority of funding for the CVA Program through their Sport Fish Restoration Program.
- Represents direct return of excise taxes from fishing tackle and fuels back to the boaters.



Clean Vessel Act Stats

- 450+ projects across the state
- \$16 million has been awarded over the life of the program
- 13,000,000+ gallons of sewage diverted



Grantee Qualifications

- Facility must be a registered business
- Pumpout services must be open and available to the public – includes private clubs and basins
- 25% of the *approved* project costs must be provided by the grantee. 75% will be reimbursed by the CVA grant.
- Report pumpout activity for 5 years after the completion of the project.
- Free pumpouts are encouraged. No more than \$5 is allowed to be charged.



Qualified Projects & Expenses

- Construction, Renovation and Installation
- Equipment Purchase (new or replacement)
 - Portable unit
 - Stationary unit
 - Pumpout Vessel
- Operations
- Maintenance & Repair
- Sewage Hauling
- Pumpout Signage
- Education & Outreach





Pumpout Examples











Application Process

- 1. Complete the CVA Pumpout Grant Application http://www.dep.state.fl.us/cleanmarina/CVA/
- 2. Gather quotes for any equipment purchase or service over \$2,500
- 3. Register as a vendor through My Florida Market Place
- 4. Gather necessary forms and permits
- 5. Approve and execute grant agreement

NO WORK CAN BE COMPLETED BEFORE AN AGREEMENT IS IN PLACE. COSTS INCURRED BEFORE AGREEMENT EXECUTION WILL NOT BE COVERED OR REMIBURSED.



Monroe County Grant Awards

- 2007 through 2013: 32 grant applications
 - 23 Completed
 - 8 Application Received / In Process
 - 1 Closed / Withdrawn
- Pumpout Grants (75% Award): ~\$2,100 to \$540,000
 - 29 grants less than \$100K (6 were vessel related Pumpout Vessels)
 - 3 grants ranged from \$225K up to ~\$540K
 - City of Marathon sewage hauling (\$225K)
 - Monroe County Pumpout services in anchorage areas (~\$540K)
 - One private marina ~\$350,000



- County / DEP CVA Contract with PumpOut USA
 - Joint Project to provide PumpOut services to pilot managed areas (Managed Anchoring Zones) identified by FWC.
 - DEP via CVA grant provides main funding source and contracts with PumpOut USA
 - Monroe County provides required matching funds and contracts with PumpOut USA
 - Contracts each refer to the other, Monroe County coordinates the project.
 - Monroe County yearly costs est: \$330K with an annual program cost range of \$700k to \$800K.



Rich Jones:

- Monroe County has had continuous grants with CVA over about the past eight years - (internally) running a mobile pumpout program in Key Largo.
- Monroe County privatized the pumpout service in February 2013.
- "This is the only program of its kind (that we are aware of) in which there are county-wide pumpouts provided by a mobile pumpout vessel."

PumpOut USA – website information

FREE PUMPOUT SERVICE REGISTRATION

Beginning March 1, 2013, PumpOut USA will provide **mobile vessel** pumpout service to recreational vessels located throughout areas of unincorporated Monroe County within the Florida Keys.

The pumpout service is provided to reduce or eliminate environmental impacts associated with the illegal discharge of sewage from vessels, and further enable compliance with regulations of the federal No Discharge Zone and Anchoring and Mooring Restricted Areas in Monroe County.

http://www.po-keys.com/service.html



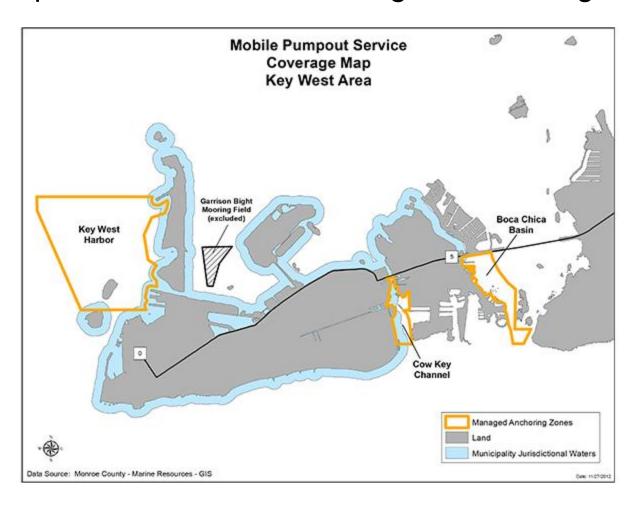
County / DEP CVA Contract with PumpOut USA

FAQ / Procedures (From PumpOut USA Website)
The pumpout service, provided at no charge to all recreational vessels in the unincorporated waters of Monroe County within the Florida Keys, will be provided to anchor-out vessels.

Pump Out USA will also provide service to vessels at marinas (with priority given to marinas without pumpout facilities.) The first priority of each pumpout vessel will be servicing anchored vessels located in established Managed Anchoring Zones. See Service maps for the MAZ's.



PumpOut USA Website Managed Anchoring Zones





Outreach Events

CLEAN BOATER PLEDGE

As a participating member of the Florida Clean Boater Program, I pledge to do my part in keeping Florida's waterways clean by following the guidelines set forth in the Clean Boating Habits booklet. I will identify opportunities and implement practices to prevent pollution associated with my boating activities such as: fueling, cleaning and washing, sewage handling and maintenance. I will further ensure that all passengers aboard my vessel follow the guidelines and maintain a clean boating environment.

As a Clean Boater I Pledge To:

- · Recycle and keep Florida's waterways free of trash.
- · Practice proper fueling techniques.
- · Use pumpout facilities.
- · Support Florida Clean Marinas, Clean Boatyards and Clean Marine Retailers whenever possible.
- · Promote clean boating habits and the Clean Boater program to fellow
- · Remember that a clean environment ALWAYS starts with ME.

City	
Signature	Date
Event Attended	







Over 26,000 signed







Florida Clean Marina Program

Questions?

(Afterwards)

Florida Clean Marina Program

http://www.dep.state.fl.us/cleanmarina/

Florida Clean Vessel Program

http://www.dep.state.fl.us/cleanmarina/CVA/