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The Must-Have 'Southern California Boater's Guide' is Newly Updated with Key Information for Boater Safety and the Health of the Ocean

Available Online and in Print through The Bay Foundation

LOS ANGELES (May 14, 2019) [The Bay Foundation \(TBF\)](#) has released the latest version of its popular Southern California Boater's Guide (Guide). The Guide—described as 'inspirational and informative' by the boating community—provides comprehensive information for those embarking on a Southern California nautical cruising adventure. It includes harbors from Santa Barbara through San Diego counties along with updated details on each harbor's unique features such as emergency contact numbers, entrance obstacles, guest slips and pricing, waste disposal and fueling facilities, recreation and tourism opportunities, and pollution prevention resources. The latest version—print last updated in 2012, online in 2017—is also more user-friendly, and includes new information on the Pumpout Nav app and the new California Boater Card.

With over 179,200 registered recreational vessels in Southern California, boating habits such as preventing oil and sewage discharges, managing hazardous and solid wastes, and using non-toxic products, make a big difference in the health of our coastal waters. Recreational boaters can be proactive in helping preserve the health, and ecological richness of Southern California's waters. The Guide highlights pollution prevention tips, environmental boating laws, and resources available in each harbor from sewage pumpout stations to oil recycling facilities.

"The Bay Foundation works to give boaters the resources they need to prevent pollution including operational sewage pumpouts, bilge pumpouts, and oil absorbent pad exchange facilities. This comprehensive Guide is our way to share proactive information about these resources with the boating community and to inspire protection of the water we recreate in. Preserving its beauty, bounty and health is vital to us all," states Victoria Gambale, The Bay Foundation's Community Engagement Program Manager.

This must-have guide is available in both digital and print format. Download the PDF at: https://www.santamonicabay.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/BoaterGuide_5th-Ed_FINAL_WEB-spread.pdf. Printed copies are available for a suggested \$20 donation. Order forms are available at: <https://www.santamonicabay.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/ORDER-FORM-5th-Edition.pdf>



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About The Bay Foundation (TBF)

The Bay Foundation (TBF) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit environmental group founded in 1990 to restore and enhance the Santa Monica Bay and local coastal waters (from the LA-Ventura county line to the Palos Verdes Peninsula). The Bay Foundation is a partner in the Santa Monica Bay National Estuary Program along with the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission and many other organizations. TBF works collaboratively with a broad group of stakeholders, including government agencies, industry, environmental groups, and community members. TBF engages scientists and conducts research while mentoring student interns and volunteers in conjunction with the Frank R. Seaver College of Science and Engineering through the Coastal Research Institute at Loyola Marymount University. (TBF: www.santamonicabay.org, CRI: lmu.edu/cri)

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