



## NEWSLETTER

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### NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK

Join the Port District in promoting safe boating during National Safe Boating Week (May 19-25, 2018), by taking part in a free vessel safety inspections offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### RATE INCREASE REMINDER - UPDATE YOUR AUTO PAY!

Please be reminded that effective April 1, 2018, a rate increase of 2% applies to the following:

- Slip Rent
- Dory Ties
- Inside Ties
- Dry Storage
- Rack Storage (kayaks, SUPs, rowing shells, etc.)
- Catamaran/Outrigger Storage

This increase will be reflected on your April statement. Please be sure to update your automatic payments to the new amount to avoid any late fees.

#### OPENING OF RECREATIONAL SALMON SEASON

Recreational salmon season is scheduled to open on April 7, 2018.

April 2018 ocean salmon sport regulations currently indicate the season is open April 7-30, from Pigeon Point to the U.S./Mexico border (Monterey and south).

For the most up-to-date information on recreational and commercial fishing regulations, please visit California Department of Fish and Wildlife's [website](#).

#### MADE IN SANTA CRUZ RACE WEEK

Mark your calendars! In honor of its 90th anniversary, the Santa Cruz Yacht Club is hosting "Made in Santa Cruz Race Week." Festivities commence on Saturday, May 19, 2018, and continue through Monday, May 28, 2018. The Yacht Club invites all vessels that were made in Santa Cruz to participate in six days of racing in Monterey Bay. The Port District looks forward to working with the Yacht Club and all boaters during this fun event celebrating our area's impact on sailing.

Please visit Santa Cruz Yacht Club's [website](#) for additional information, event schedule and registration materials.

The safety inspections will be held on Saturday, May 19, and Sunday, May 20, 2018, at the Santa Cruz Harbor launch ramp.

We hope to see you there!

## OPERATION SAFE SALMON 2018

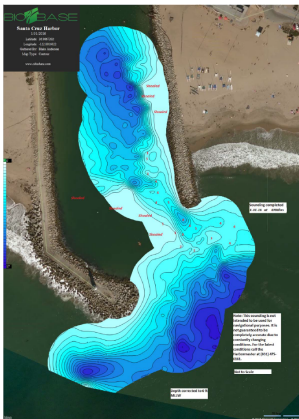
Attention commercial fishermen!

The U.S. Coast Guard will be conducting Commercial Fishing Vessel safety spot-checks and dockside exams April 24, through April 26, 2018, at Santa Cruz Harbor.

Commercial fishermen are highly encouraged to participate in these safety checks prior to the opening of commercial salmon season!

Please click [here](#) for more information.

## ENTRANCE SOUNDING



[Download Current Entrance Sounding](#)

## PORT COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

## VESSEL INSURANCE POLICY UPDATE

The Port District hosted a special public Policy-Operations Committee meeting in August 2017, and again in March 2018, to review and discuss adoption of a new vessel insurance policy. Attendees by and large expressed support for development of a policy that would require slip renters to maintain and provide proof of liability insurance for their vessels berthed in Santa Cruz Harbor. Ideas and feedback received at both meetings were valuable and will be incorporated into the development of a vessel insurance policy.

A third special public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 26, 2018, at 3:00 PM, at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room. The Policy-Operations Committee will review the proposed policy and discuss an implementation timeline and enforcement strategies. The committee's recommendations will be brought to the full Port Commission for consideration and deliberation at a future meeting.

We hope to see you there!

## AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE PILE REPAIR & REPLACEMENT PROJECT 2018 - PHASE I

At its regular public meeting on March 27, 2018, the Port Commission awarded a contract to Bellingham Marine Industries, Inc., for the Pile Repair and Replacement Project - Phase I. 65 piles are proposed for removal and replacement in both the north harbor and south harbor areas.

Staff has obtained all necessary permits for the project, which authorize work to be completed over a 5-year period, ending in November 2022. The work window is June 15, to November 30, each year of the permit. Permits limit pile removal and pile driving to 6 each per day. The Port District looks forward to working with Bellingham Marine and moving forward with this important infrastructure project.

## DREDGING OPERATIONS

### ENTRANCE CHANNEL DREDGING

Crews continue to work to deepen the federal entrance channel this season, which is scheduled to end April 30, 2018. This week, calm weather and seas allowed the dredge crew to venture out into shallower areas of the navigation channel which lie just beyond the jetty jaws. The sandbar in this southern portion of the federal channel is remnant from the winter storm events of January and February 2017.

The dredge crew will continue to work to deepen the channel and shoulder areas to build capacity. A final step will be to dredge the sandy shoal which lies south of the west seawall near Aldo's Restaurant to ensure that this material does not continue to move north into inner harbor fairways and berthing areas. Harbor Patrol will provide vessel traffic control in the channel when this work is underway.

### NORTH HARBOR DREDGING

Crews have deployed the submersible Toyo pump to assist with dredging in the culvert area in the north harbor. The Toyo pump has proven to be very effective in dredging the coarse-grained material. The pump's utility is currently limited

**APRIL**

Regular Public Session  
Tuesday, April 24, 2018  
7 PM

Special Public Policy Meeting  
Thursday, April 26, 2018  
3 PM

**MAY**

Regular Public Session  
Tuesday, May 22, 2018  
7 PM

**CURRENT FUEL PRICING**

Gasoline: \$4.35  
Diesel: \$3.59  
Commercial Diesel: \$3.49

by the reach of the harbor's crane. Staff is researching options for improving our ability to deploy the pump in other areas of the inner harbor.

North harbor dredging of coarse-grained material (greater than 80% sand), is permitted through April 30, 2018.



**TOYO PUMP OPERATING IN THE NORTH HARBOR**

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