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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Santa Cruz Port District is currently recruiting for the following positions:

Boatyard Supervisor

Harbor Dredge Worker I, II, III

For complete job descriptions and application materials, please click here.

LOST FISHING GEAR RECOVERY PROJECT

The Monterey Bay

ANNOUNCEMENTS

4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

The fourth of July holiday is expected to draw large crowds to the harbor and nearby beaches, impacting parking and traffic within the area. Road closures are not planned, so vehicle access to the harbor will not be restricted. No beach fencing will be installed this year, though checkpoints will be established along access points to both Harbor Beach and Twin Lakes State Beach. We hope that everyone enjoys a safe and fun 4th of July!

PILE REPAIR & REPLACEMENT PROJECT - PHASE I

Phase I of the Port District's Pile Repair and Replacement Project is underway. Approximately 65 worn and aging piles throughout the harbor will be removed and replaced. For more information about this project, please click here.

TWIN LAKES BEACHFRONT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Two-way traffic has been restored along East Cliff Drive, and work in the roadway is nearing completion. The County anticipates that the project will be completed by Tuesday, July 3, 2018.

ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE SECTION 316 - VESSEL INSURANCE

At its regular public session of June 26, 2018, the Santa Cruz Port Commission approved Resolution 18-06, amending the Port District's Ordinance to include Section 316 - Vessel Insurance (see below).

SECTION 316 - Vessel Insurance

All vessels must be insured in accordance with Port District policies to retain slip license.

The new ordinance will be effective August 1, 2018. Stay tuned for more information as we roll out policy requirements and timelines!

Fisheries Trust (MBFT) is partnering with local fishermen to remove lost and abandoned Dungeness crab gear from Monterey Bay. This project aims to prevent gear entanglements with boats, whales, and other marine life, while returning lost gear to the owners.

For more information, or if you are interested in helping out, please click here.

5TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW

The 5th Annual Classic Car & Truck Show will take place at the harbor on Sunday, October 14, 2018, from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Click <u>here</u> to register for the event.

CROW'S NEST EMPLOYEE "HUMANITARIAN ADULT HERO"

The Santa Cruz Chapter of the American Red Cross honored Jessica Berg as "Humanitarian - Adult Hero" at the Heroes Breakfast hosted on June 15, 2018.

Jessica was honored for her response which helped to save the lives of two people after their vehicle entered the water from the harbor's launch ramp and became submerged. Jessica was working at the Crow's Nest at the time and witnessed the incident.

The Port Commission previously honored Jessica and her coworker Adrian Alt in

O'NEILL SEA ODYSSEY'S 100,000TH STUDENT CAMPAIGN CELEBRATION

On Sunday, June 24, 2018, O'Neill Sea Odyssey celebrated and acknowledged the nearly 100,000 students that have participated in their ocean science program. Participants, community members, local supporters, Hau Nui dancers and visitors all gathered at Cowell Beach to celebrate OSO's huge accomplishment!

Click <u>here</u> for additional information and to view more photos from this fun event!

Congratulations to OSO on reaching this milestone!





January 2017, for their heroic actions.

PORT COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

JULY

Regular Public Session Tuesday, July 24, 2018 7 PM

AUGUST

Regular Public Session
Tuesday, August 28, 2018
7 PM

CURRENT FUEL PRICING

Gasoline: \$4.14 Commercial Gasoline: \$3.94 Diesel: \$3.59 Commercial Diesel: \$3.49



GASOLINE TAX REFUND PROGRAM

The State of California imposes a motor vehicle fuel tax per gallon purchased. The law allows for a refund of the gasoline tax paid if the fuel is used for certain "off-highway" purposes. The State Controller's Office (SCO) processes gasoline tax refund claims.

Gasoline includes "finished gasoline" and gasoline blendstocks. Please note that gasoline does not include diesel fuel.

While the state refund program is limited in its scope and applicability to most harbor boaters, commercial fishing in the ocean, beyond the three (3) mile limit, is listed as a qualifying activity.

Refund claims must be filed within three (3) years from date of gasoline purchase.

To learn more about the program and to see if you may qualify, information and claim forms are available from the State Controller's website:

Gasoline Tax Refund Summary
Gas Tax Refund General FAQ

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