

BRIEFING ON THE MANAGEMENT AND ABATEMENT OF ABANDONED AND DERELICT VESSELS

AGENDA ITEM 7

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INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

Presenters:

- Chief Petty Officer Jeremy Thomas, United States Coast Guard, Sector San Francisco
 - Federal authority to respond to vessels leaking hazardous materials and threatening navigation.
- Andrew Kershen, Attorney, State Lands Commission
 - Public Resources Code and Harbors and Navigation Code authority to abate abandoned and derelict vessels.
- Oakland Police Officer Kaleo Albino and Sarah Herbelin, Boating Recreation Supervisor, City of Oakland
 - Overview of efforts to manage abandoned and derelict vessels in the Alameda Oakland Estuary and impacts of vessels on local, water-oriented recreational activities.

SURRENDERED AND ABANDONED VESSEL EXCHANGE GRANT PROGRAMS (SAVE)

- Administered by Division of Boating and Waterways
- Facilitates removal of abandoned vessels and prevents abandoned **recreational** vessels and marine debris from accumulating
- Two separate grant programs:
 - Abandoned Watercraft Abatement Fund (AWAF) grants, established in 1998 – Awarded annually to local public agencies for abatement, removal, storage and disposal of abandoned, wrecked or partially submerged vessels.
 - Vessel Turn-In Program (VTIP) grants, established in 2010 -- Awarded annually; allow participating agencies to accept and dispose of vessels surrendered by owners, free of charge to the owner

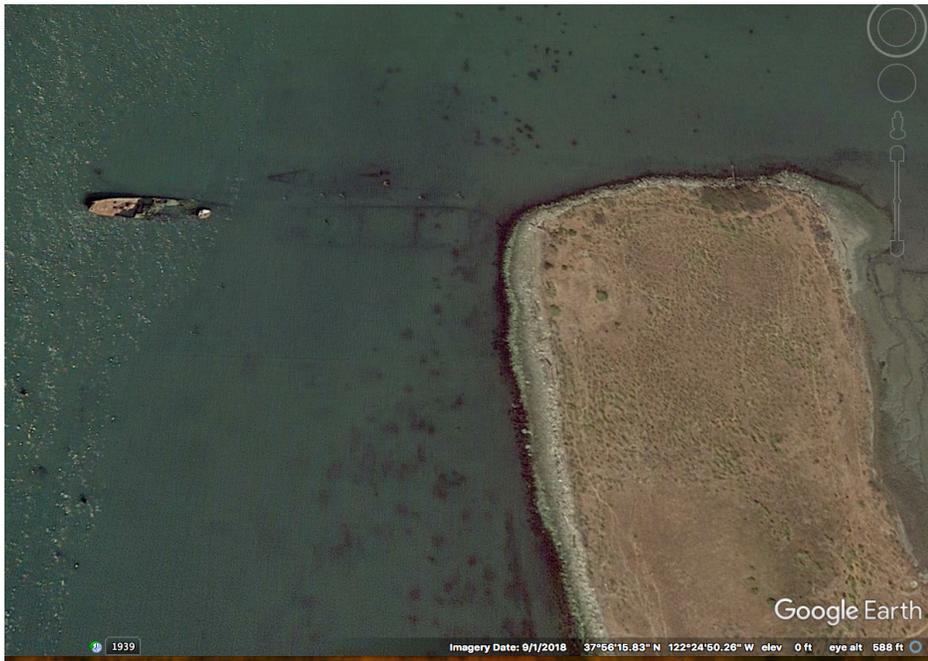
TAKE AWAYS

- Gaps in the federal, state and local laws
- Number of vessels in need of abatement is greater than law enforcement resources and dollars to conduct the abatement
- Inter-agency cooperation and collaboration is critical
- While insufficient, there is a dedicated State funding source for recreational vessel abatement
- State SAVE funds cannot be used for commercial vessel abatement, and this is often much more expensive
- Past legislative efforts to require a tax at time of vessel purchase to establish an end-of-life fund for vessel abatement have failed

BCDC VESSEL-RELATED ENFORCEMENT CASES

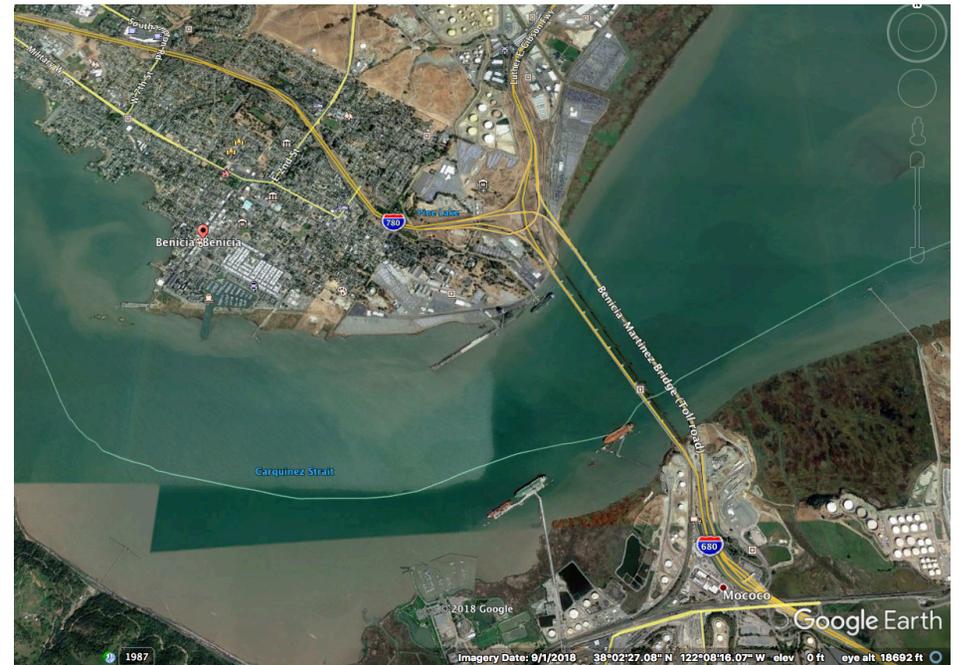
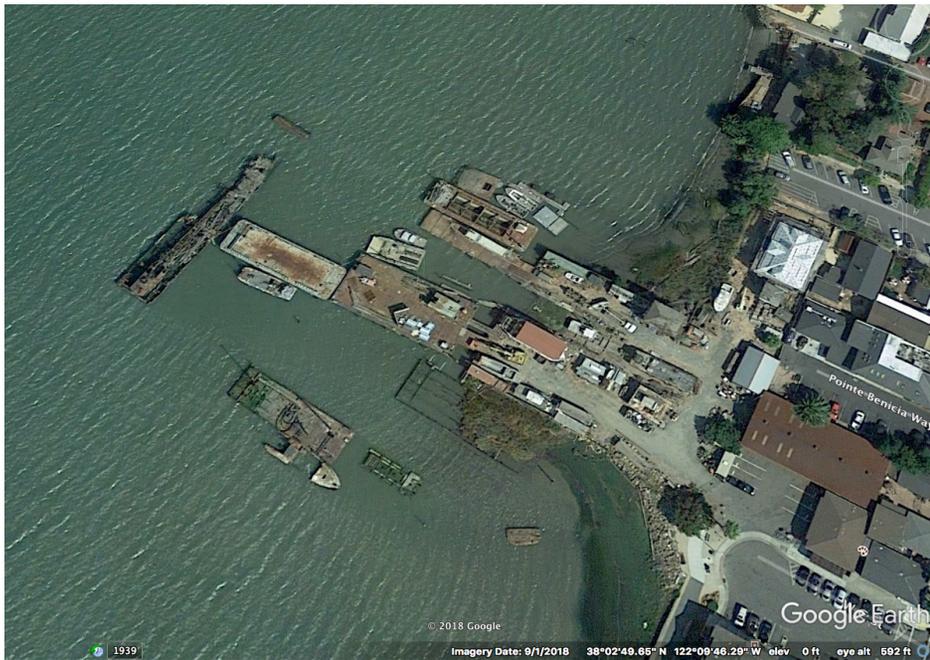
- Approximately 22 open enforcement cases dealing with vessels
 - Approximately 11 cases relate to recreational vessels
 - Approximately 9 cases related to commercial vessels
 - Two cases involve houseboats

ENFORCEMENT CASE NO. ER2011.033, MOUNT ZION ENTERPRISES, POINT RICHMOND, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY



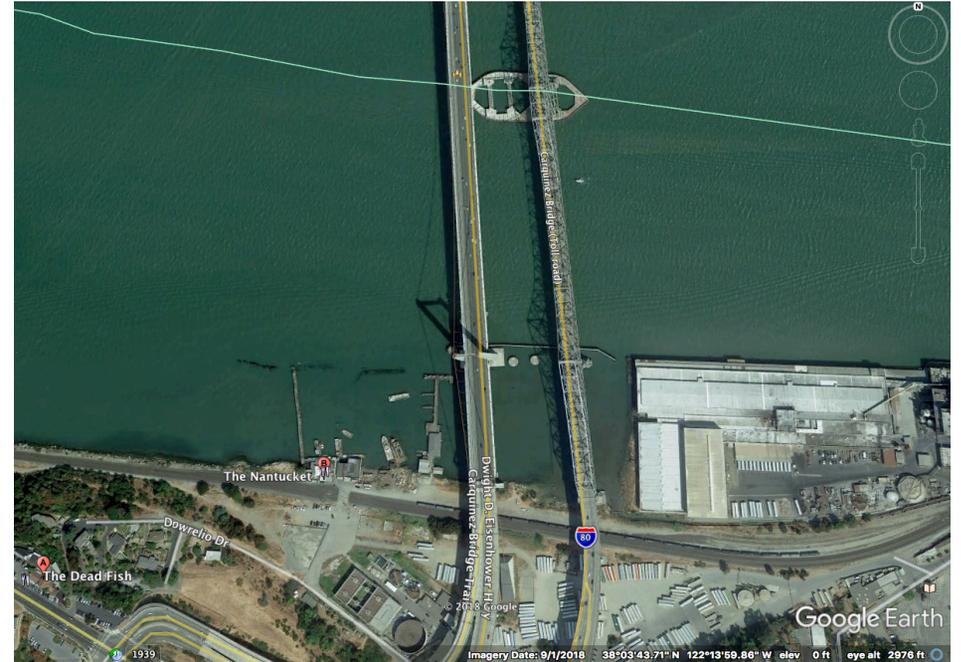
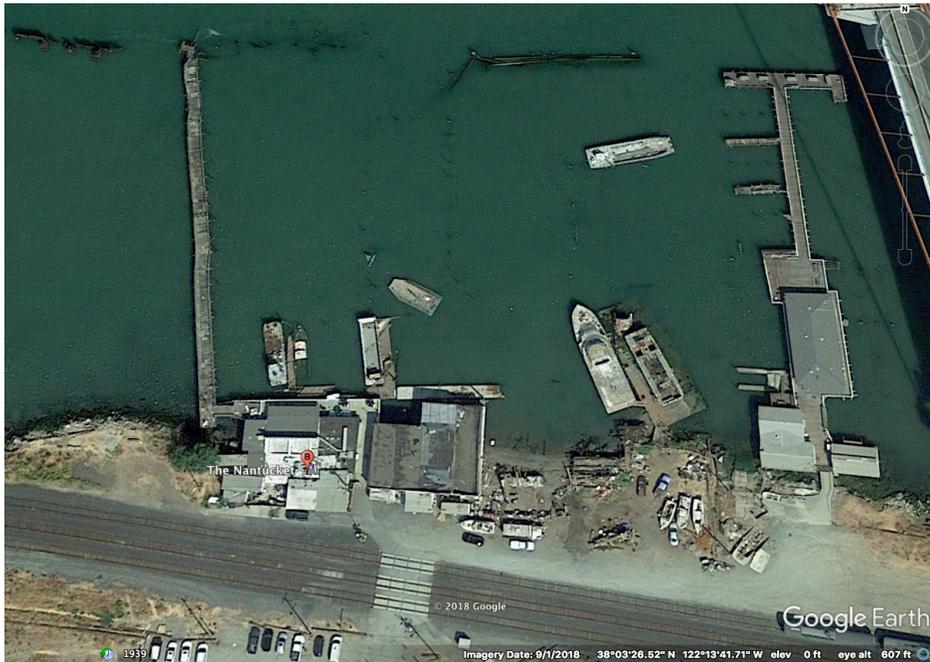
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ENFORCEMENT CASE NO. ER2010.037, THE FORMER GARSKE BOATYARD, BENICIA, SOLANO COUNTY



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ENFORCEMENT CASE NO. ER2018.054, NORTH OF THE NANTUCKET RESTAURANT IN CROCKET, CONTRA COSTA COUNTY



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END OF PRESENTATION



SUNKEN BOATS AT CITY OF OAKLAND'S JACK LONDON AQUATIC CENTER (1 OF 3)

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