

Richardson's Bay Regional Agency - Update

Expanded enforcement work:

- Time limits on new vessels entering bay (72-hour notices)

- Enhanced efforts to remove unoccupied vessels being stored on bay

- Consistent patrol and follow up

- Law enforcement assistance from RBRA city/town agencies

Partnering with other agencies to compile vessel and population information:

- To better understand conditions and dynamics and to coordinate outreach

Completed Mooring Feasibility & Planning Study – November 2019:

- Significant data, information, analysis and recommendations

Enforcement

- Regular patrol, notifications, removal, disposal
- Vessels removed since September 12:
 - 15 vessels disposed
 - 9 departed anchorage
- Pending vessel enforcement actions:
 - 16 vessels currently posted with 10-day marine debris abatement notices
 - 6 vessels removed for abatement
- Anchoring permits:
 - Seven anchoring permits have been issued; two are currently in the anchorage
- Remaining vessel count: 164

Population

Coordinated outreach effort goals for January 1, 2020:

- Identify all persons/vessels on anchorage
- VI-SPDAT assessment of those perceived to be most vulnerable
- Refer one person per month into permanent supportive housing

To date:

- 60+ persons identified
- Additional 12+ persons identified as having left the anchorage

Coordinating Agencies:

RBRA, Marin County Sheriff, Sausalito Police, Marin Housing, Downtown Streets, Marin City Health & Wellness Clinic, Marin County Health & Human Services, Marin Veterans Services, St. Vincent de Paul, Buckelew, Ritter Center, Homeward Bound

Vessel Abatement Funding Needs/Request

Unenforced vessel count of 164:

Count does not include new vessels that will enter bay and become subject to abatement

Vessel abatement costs: Varies widely (\$2,000 to \$20,000): Use \$6,000

Each 100 vessels: Approx. \$600,000

Est. RBRA abatement funds through September 2020 (SAVE, NOAA): \$300,000

To increase enforcement capacity:

Personnel costs (annualized):

Assistant harbormaster(s): \$125,000 to \$375,000 for one to three

Admin support (notifications, grants, etc.): \$25,000 to \$35,000

Legal support for abatement process: \$50,000 to \$100,000), depending on scope/type of abatement

Under RBRA Board Consideration: Permitted Mooring Program

As a tool to:

- Authorize areas for permitted vessels that considers eelgrass preservation, as well as wind, waves, water use, and shoreline
- Attach permitted vessels securely to tackle that is professionally installed, maintained and inspected and suited to bay floor, vessel type and vessel size
- Tightly manage and fund regulations, requirements, and impacts

Policy and management issues to consider:

- Siting, scale, use, shore access and impacts, administration, operations, financial sustainability, and BCDC permitting

RBRA Next steps

- Using resources strategically & efficiently
- Plan/vision for anchorage
- Pursuit of permitted mooring program?
- Enforcement scope and related capacity
- More funding assistance