



# New Jersey Clean Marina Program

Newsletter

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THE NEW JERSEY CLEAN MARINA PROGRAM ENCOURAGES MARINAS, YACHT CLUBS, BOATYARDS AND BOATERS TO VOLUNTARILY ADOPT PRACTICES THAT HELP PREVENT ADVERSE IMPACTS TO WATER QUALITY, SENSITIVE HABITATS, AND LIVING RESOURCES IN PROXIMITY TO MARINAS.

## New Jersey Clean Marinas

- ◆ Atlantic Highlands Municipal Harbor ◆ Baywood Marina, Brick ◆ Dillon's Creek Marina, Island Heights
- ◆ Forked River State Marina, Forked River ◆ Green Cove Marina, Brick ◆ Hobby Lobby Marine, Toms River
- ◆ Jersey Shore Marina, Brick ◆ Kammerman's Atlantic City Marina, Atlantic City ◆ Key Harbor Marina, Waretown
- ◆ Leonardo State Marina, Leonardo ◆ Main One Marina, Avon-By-the-Sea ◆ Morgan Marina, Inc, Parlin
- ◆ Riverbank Marina, Bayville ◆ Robbie's Loveladies Marina Inc, Loveladies ◆ Shore Haven Yacht Club, Point Pleasant Borough
- ◆ Silver Cloud Harbor Marina, Forked River ◆ Spencer's Bayside Marina, Waretown ◆ Viking Yachting Center, New Gretna

## 2008 Clean Marina Workshop

With over 100 marina owners and employees in attendance, the NJ Clean Marina Program workshop held on September 17 was a great success.

Jay Watson, NJDEP Deputy Commissioner of Natural Resources, was present and recognized New Jersey Clean Marinas and their efforts to create a healthier environment.

Thank you to all the exhibitors, speakers and attendees who helped make the event a success.



Clean Marinas present: Atlantic Highlands Municipal Marina, Baywood Marina, Dillon's Creek Marina, Forked River State Marina, Hobby Lobby Marina, Key Harbor Marina, Leonardo State Marina, Main One Marina, Morgan Marina Inc., Robbies Loveladies Marina, and Viking Yachting Center.

To view the Powerpoint presentations presented by our speakers or receive a list of exhibitors present, contact Jessica Staats at [jstaats@njmsc.org](mailto:jstaats@njmsc.org).

## MIE - Marine Industry Enhancement Activities

Marinas face many challenges: rising operating costs, decreasing fish populations, a decline in participation in boating and fishing and a weak economy. To help address these issues, the New Jersey Department of Transportation's [I Boat NJ](#) Program recently awarded over \$400,000 to the New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium (NJMSC)/New Jersey Sea Grant Program (NJSJG) to conduct activities to enhance the marina industry and expand the [New Jersey Clean Marina Program](#).

The Marina Industry Enhancement (M.I.E.) component of the award includes funding for activities such as providing technical assistance on vessel wash water systems and other items, funding for best management practices (BMPs), media events and other items. Additional topics on the M.I.E. website include information on:

- Wash wastewater characterization data
- New Jersey Stormwater Regulations
- Permit by Rule - proposal
- Vessel Wash Wastewater Systems
- Solar Evaporators
- Treatment System Manufacturers
- Collection Pads



For more information on the MIE visit [njmsc.org/MIE.html](http://njmsc.org/MIE.html), contact Mike Danko at 732-872-100 ext 29 [mdanko@njmsc.org](mailto:mdanko@njmsc.org), or Jessica Staats at 732-872-1300 ext. 20 [jstaats@njmsc.org](mailto:jstaats@njmsc.org).

## Storm Water Permit

The NJDEP has proposed a permit-by-rule for the construction and/or installation of vessel wash wastewater systems and associated infrastructure that prevent any discharge of vessel wash wastewater into the waters of the State at marinas, boatyards and boat sales facilities. The permit-by-rule would be available to any marina, boatyard or boat sales facility that installs a vessel wash wastewater system, including those necessary to comply with the Basic Industrial Stormwater General Permit and those not subject to the Stormwater General Permit but that wish to voluntarily install such systems.

The permit-by-rule enables marinas to install a vessel wash wastewater system and any related infrastructure **without** having to obtain a coastal or general permit as long as the guidelines in the permit are followed. Marinas will need to verify if any local permits are needed but they will not need an NJDEP permit. A copy of the rule can be downloaded at [nj.gov/dep/rules/notices/080408b.html](http://nj.gov/dep/rules/notices/080408b.html).

## Public Access & Marina Safety Taskforce Act Becomes Law

On September 10 2008, Governor Corzine signed S1553- the Public Access & Marina Safety Taskforce Act into law.

The Public Access & Marina Safety Taskforce Act takes effect immediately and establishes a moratorium on the implementation of the NJDEP public access rules for marinas. For the duration of the moratorium, the NJDEP shall not (1) require a marina facility to provide unlimited public access to the waterfront; (2) require a conservation easement by means of deed restriction; (3) require perpendicular access across the entire waterfront; (4) or require additional parking, as a condition of any permit for activities relating to the expansion or renovation of an existing marina facility. The legislation also establishes a task force that will be responsible for evaluating and studying the efficacy, practicability and feasibility of the rules and regulations governing public access at marinas. The moratorium will be in effect for two years allowing the task force to study the issue and make recommendations to the Governor. To view the bill, visit [njleg.state.nj.us](http://njleg.state.nj.us) and type in S1553 under the bill search box on the right hand side of the home page.

## CVA Offering Operation and Maintenance Funding for Marinas with Pumpouts

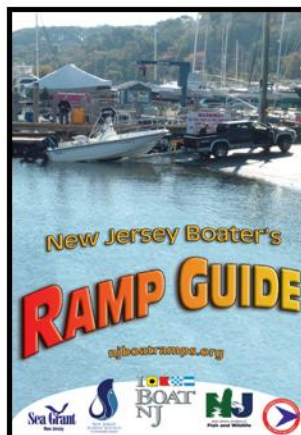
The New Jersey Clean Vessel Act Program is pleased to announce the availability of Operation and Maintenance (O & M) funding to New Jersey marinas. Up to \$1,500 in expenses will be reimbursed per marina for the O & M of pumpout equipment during the 2008 boating season. Marinas can be reimbursed for pumpout staff costs, repairs, maintenance, and boat sewage hauling fees, less any income generated from fees charged for pumpout service.

If you are interested in participating in the O & M funding program, visit [njmsc.org/Sea\\_Grant/Extension/OM\\_Funding.pdf](http://njmsc.org/Sea_Grant/Extension/OM_Funding.pdf), and print and fill out the O & M participation memo from the Clean Marina section. This memo can be faxed to (732) 291-4483 or mailed to [Attention: NJCVA Program, NJMSC, Building 22, Fort Hancock, NJ 07732.] All memos must be received by January 15, 2009. If you have any questions, contact Mike Danko at 732-872-1300 ext. 29 or [mdanko@njmsc.org](mailto:mdanko@njmsc.org).

## New Jersey Boater's Ramp Guide

The New Jersey Boater's Ramp Guide has been updated for 2008.

To receive a copy(s), e-mail [jstaats@njmsc.org](mailto:jstaats@njmsc.org) with your name, mailing address and quantity.



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