

Santa Cruz Port District Newsletter - September 2020

Announcements

Santa Cruz Harbor CZU Lightning Complex Fire Response - 2020

The Santa Cruz Port District Commission recognizes the hardships faced by many members of the Santa Cruz community affected and displaced by the fire. The Commission is committed to participating in the community-wide effort to assist evacuees during this time of need.

Santa Cruz Harbor RV Park

Through October 31, 2020, RV spaces in the north harbor have been made available for exclusive use by Santa Cruz area fire evacuees on a first-come, first-served basis (11 hook-up and 4 overflow). No WiFi or cable service available. Rigs must be self-contained. Daily fees apply. Leave a detailed message with contact information at (831) 475-3279. The RV host will return calls twice daily.

Slip Licensees

Fire evacuees who are current slip licensees may stay aboard their vessels with members of their immediate family. Liveaboard fees and variable utility fees are waived for fire evacuees through October 31, 2020. Slip licensees who wish to temporarily liveaboard are requested to register with the harbor office. To register, call (831) 475-6161, or visit the harbor office between 10 am – 4 pm daily, or email <u>scpd@santacruzharbor.org</u>, and provide the following information: Licensee name; slip number; boat name; number and name(s) of family members staying aboard. The number of people living aboard cannot exceed vessel safety standards.

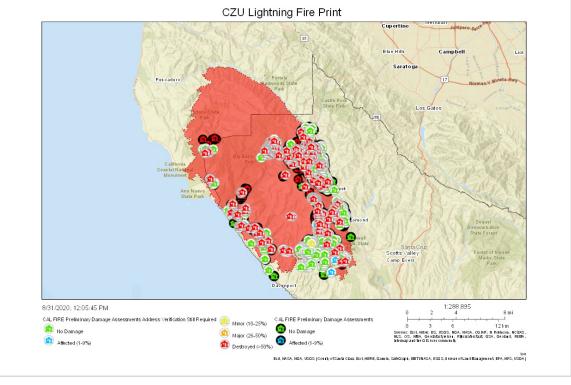
Additional Vehicles and Trailers

The harbor has reduced rates for temporary storage of vehicles and trailers for members of the community displaced by the fire. For information about daily / monthly fees and storage locations, call (831) 475-6161, or visit the harbor office between 10 am – 4 pm daily. Vehicle camping is not allowed.

Assistance is Available

State and federal disaster assistance is now available to eligible fire survivors, which can help with rent, home repair, home replacement, and other disaster related needs. If you have uninsured or underinsured losses go to https://www.disasterassistance.gov/ to register.

The County of Santa Cruz has compiled information and resources for those impacted by the CZU Lightning Complex Fires, visit <u>https://www.co.santa-cruz.ca.us/FireResources.aspx</u>. Additionally, a one-stop recovery resource center has opened at Kaiser Permanente Arena, 140 Front Street, Santa Cruz. The Recovery Center is open from 11 am to 7 pm daily. For more information view the <u>Resource Center Press Release</u>.



Concession Lot Restroom Rehabilitation Project

As a part of the Port District's capital improvement program, District maintenance crews recently completed an extensive remodel of the concession lot public restrooms. The upgrade included new tile, flooring, fixtures, partitions, and paint. Many thanks to our talented crew for this important upgrade!



Harbor maintenance crew members Randy Marty, Jorge Lopez, and Matt Kerkes.

Important safety reminder for boaters!

Did you know that pursuant to Santa Cruz Municipal Code, the area

Office Space Available Southeast Harbor Area



Office space at 333 Lake Avenue is available for rent.

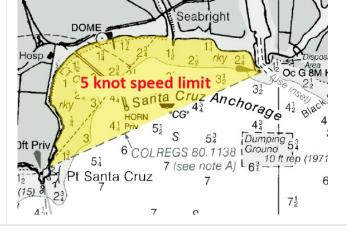
- Suite H
- 210 SF
- \$715/month
- Terms: month-to-month
- Upstairs (second story)
- Southeast harbor area
- Shared restroom facilities

Interested applicants must complete a rental application and submit it, along with any additional documentation that may be relevant to the selection process, on or before September 11, 2020.

The application is available on the Port District's <u>website</u>.

between Abbott Lighthouse at Steamer's Lane and the tip of the west jetty is a designated 5-knot speed limit zone?

With an increase of boating activity and water use during the summer months, please be mindful of this regulation when underway in this area. Keep a sharp lookout for swimmers, paddle boarders, and kayakers, and go slow in this zone.



Public Surplus Auction: McElroy 618 Fusion Machine

As part of the FY21 budget, the Port District purchased a new pipe fusion welder. This vital piece of equipment is used to fuse disposal pipeline for dredging operations.

The former pipe welder, a McElroy Pit Bull 618 Fusion Machine acquired by the District in 2007, is now listed for sale via a public surplus auction. The auction ends on September 7, 2020, at 3:00 PM.

View this auction on the Public Surplus website for more information.

Employment Opportunity: Boatyard Worker

Hourly Pay Rate \$13.00 to \$17.50 / hour, depending on qualifications and experience

Santa Cruz Port District is seeking a parttime, employee to assist with various duties at the Santa Cruz Harbor Boatyard.

> APPLICATION DEADLINE: Open Until Filled

Visit the District's <u>website</u> for more information.

Dredging Operations

In accordance with regulatory permits, north harbor dredging is anticipated to begin in early-October 2020. Slip licensees will be notified if their vessel is in an affected area and needs to be temporarily relocated.

Entrance dredging is permitted to commence November 1 each year. Once Twin Lakes is deployed to the entrance, and all equipment is mobilized, entrance dredging operations will continue through April 2021.

The typical dredge schedule is Monday - Thursday, with maintenance performed on Fridays. Boaters are advised to proceed with caution in areas of the harbor with dredge equipment and pay special attention to all safety notifications. For additional information about dredging operations, please <u>click here</u>.



The District's inner harbor dredge, Squirt, is ready for the upcoming season.

Replacement Patrol Vessel Update

Deputy Harbormaster staff is working with representatives of Moose Boats ("Moose") to finalize design plans and specifications for the District's new patrol vessel. Moose has ordered and received the metal necessary to fabricate the vessel and it is currently being stored on-site at their manufacturing facility in Vallejo. Fabrication of smaller components and systems is currently underway, but the major framework will likely begin in late-fall, as space becomes available at their facility. Once the major framework starts, construction is expected to take 6-8 months.

The procurement of the new patrol vessel would not be possible without the generous grant funding provided by the State of California Natural Resources Agency. This grant funding will ensure that Harbor Patrol can continue to provide marine search and rescue for the community and boating public in the north Monterey Bay for decades to come.



The Port District's Almar patrol vessel.

28th Annual Day on the Monterey Bay Regatta

What: Day on the Monterey Bay Regatta: sailing race, dinner, music, raffles, silent auction, and lots of fun.

