



### 2022-23 Dredge Operations

The Port District recently secured a new 10-year dredge permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which will allow dredging operations in the federal entrance channel and inner-harbor areas to continue seasonally through April 30, 2023.

#### North Harbor Dredging

Dredging of the north harbor is anticipated to begin on November 28, 2022, using the Port District's 8" dredge *Squirt*. Dredging of fine-grained material is permitted through February 28, 2023.

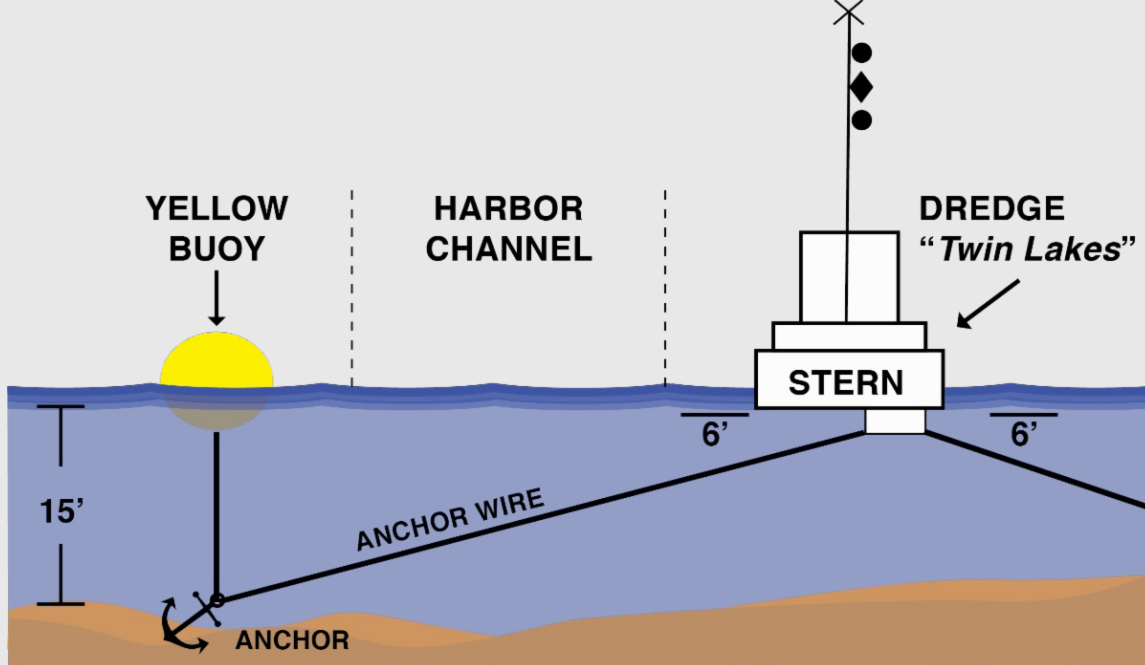
Mariners transiting in the area are advised to read all gate notices and beware of submerged pipe and equipment hazards that may be present. To view the areas proposed for dredging and the anticipated pipeline configuration in the north harbor, please [click here](#).

#### Federal Entrance Channel Dredging Begins for the Season

*Twin Lakes* was moved from her off-season mooring in the north harbor to the entrance channel during the low tide on Monday, November 7, 2022. Dredging of the federal entrance channel began on November 16, 2022, and will continue through April 30, 2023. The typical dredge schedule is Monday – Thursday.

Weekly soundings will resume and be posted to the harbor's [website](#). Prior to transiting the entrance, please check tide and weather conditions, review the entrance sounding, and know what your vessel draws.

During dredging operations, pass *Twin Lakes* on the east side (Crow's Nest side) of the channel unless otherwise marked. Stay at least 50' from the dredge and contact the dredge crew on VHF channel 8 for passing instructions. If your vessel contacts any dredge equipment or pipeline, please contact Harbor Patrol IMMEDIATELY on VHF channel 9.



Dredge "Twin Lakes" - Looking South  
 Typical Mooring Configuration  
 (NOT TO SCALE)

## Welcome, Christine, the District's new Administrative Services Manager!

The Santa Cruz Port District is pleased to announce Christine Bouchard as the new Administrative Services Manager. Christine lives in Monterey and most recently worked for the County of Santa Cruz's Information Services Department as their Administrative Services Manager.

Christine has over 20 years of experience in local government working in various capacities.



As Administrative Services Manager, Christine will oversee the administrative functions of the District, including human resources, finance, purchasing, property management, information technology, and environmental compliance.

### Lighted Boat Parade Saturday, December 3, 2022

Mark your calendars! The Santa Cruz Yacht Club's 35th Annual Lighted Boat Parade will take place at Santa Cruz Harbor on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 5:30 PM ~ rain or shine.

This year's theme is "Deck the Hulls". Please visit

### Holiday Light Credit!

Slip renters! Decorate your boat with holiday lights and receive an electricity credit for the month of December!

the Yacht Club's [website](#) for additional information and registration materials.

Spectators are welcome to view the parade from multiple landside locations around the harbor. Access to the docks will be limited to slip renters and their guests.

Please be aware that parking is very limited during this event. Carpooling and/or other methods of transportation are highly encouraged to help reduce traffic in the area.



## U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Safety Courses

U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering a boating safety course on Boating Skills and Seamanship starting in January. Registration for these classes will take place on Wednesday, January 4, 2023, from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room.

[Click here](#) for more information about these courses.

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## Holiday Hours

The harbor office and boatyard will be closed at 12:30 PM on Wednesday, November 23. The harbor office and boatyard will remain closed on Thursday, November 24, and will resume regular operating hours on Friday, November 25.



## Dungeness Crab Season Delays

The recreational Dungeness crab season opened on Nov 5, 2022 (with restrictions), while the commercial season has been delayed until further notice due to the presence of humpback whales and leatherback sea turtles, and the elevated risk of marine life entanglement.

Recreational take of Dungeness crab is permitted only by means other than conventional traps, such as hoop nets and snares.

For crab season updates please visit the CDFW [newsroom](#).



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