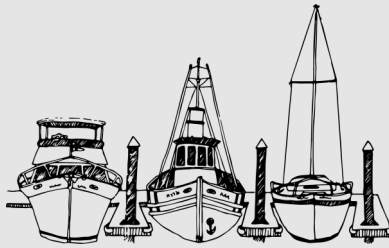


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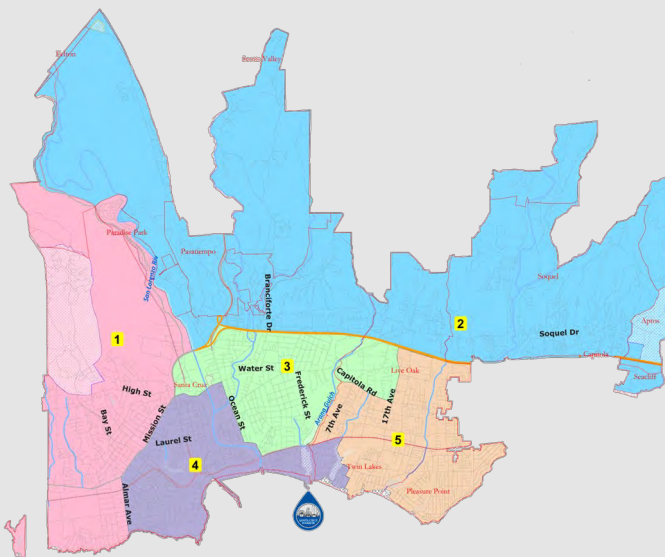
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# HARBOR NEWS

SANTA CRUZ SMALL CRAFT HARBOR

SUMMER 2023

## DISTRICT-BASED ELECTIONS FUTURE PORT DISTRICT ELECTIONS WILL BE CONDUCTED UNDER BY-DISTRICT ELECTIONS



## REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING TIME

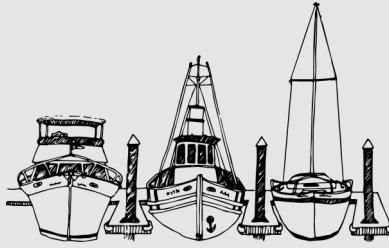
JOIN US FOR A NEW,  
EARLIER REGULAR  
PUBLIC MEETING  
START TIME

On July 25, 2023, the Santa Cruz Port Commission approved an amendment to adjust the start time of its regular public meetings from 7 PM to 5:30 PM on the 4th Tuesday of each month. This change will be effective with the regular public meeting on August 22, 2023. Participate virtually or in-person!

On May 23, 2023, after a robust and deliberate public process, the Santa Cruz Port Commission adopted Resolution 23-05 to change from at-large to by-district elections, and established boundaries and sequencing of future elections within the individual districts.

All current Port Commissioners will continue to represent the District at-large until such time as they may be re-elected to represent their respective districts or leave office.

In November 2024, voters will experience by-district voting for the first time. Candidates for the Santa Cruz Port Commission must reside within Districts 1, 2, and 3. Only voters within said districts will be eligible to vote for candidates vying to represent their respective district. In 2026, voters in Districts 4 and 5 will vote under the same procedures as described. To learn more about the individual districts or view a larger map, please [click here](#).



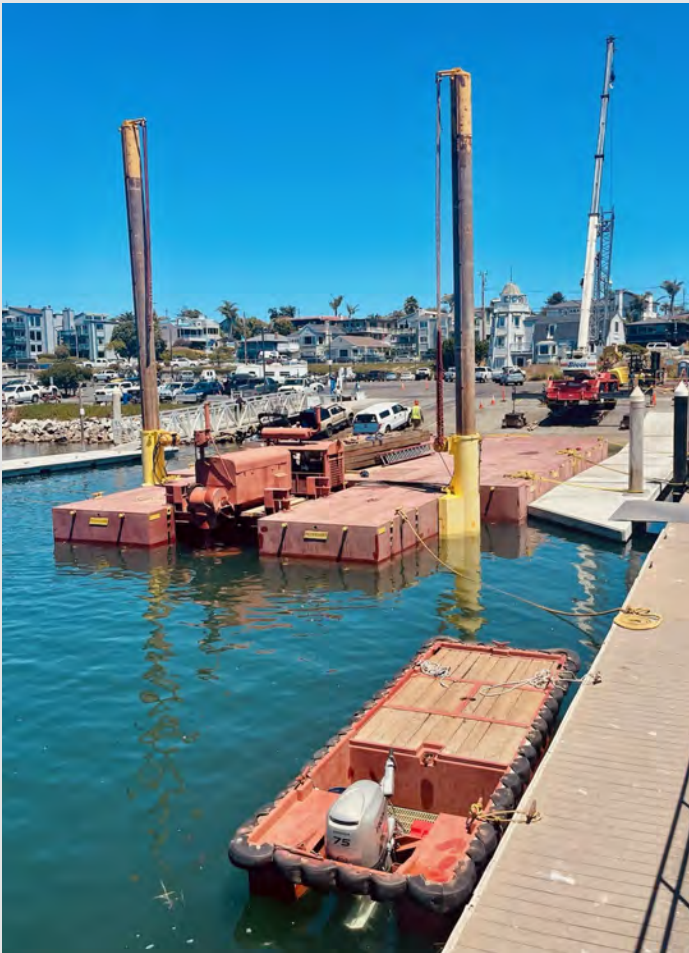
## PROJECT CORNER

**Project:** 2023 Pile Repair and Replacement Project

**Cost:** \$1.2 Million

**Description:** Replacement of 45 worn piles throughout the harbor ([read more](#)).

**Status:** Underway (anticipated completion by September 30, 2023)



*Above: Cushman Contracting mobilizing for the Pile Repair & Replacement Project on July 26, 2023.*

*Upper right: Granite Construction performing pavement repairs at the fishery pier on May 4, 2023.*



**Project:** Pavement Repair at Fishery Pier

**Cost:** \$46,500

**Description:** Repaved approximately 4,000 SF of existing asphalt at fishery pier.

**Status:** Completed on May 4, 2023

**Project:** ADA Path of Travel Improvement – Concession Parking Lot

**Cost:** \$67,000

**Description:** Slope and grade improvements to achieve an accessible path of travel from the breezeway area (between 2218 and 2222 East Cliff Drive) to the public restroom facility.

**Status:** Completed on April 28, 2023

**Project:** Storm-Damaged Pavement Repairs

**Cost:** \$22,500

**Description:** Repaved approximately 700 SF of storm-damaged concrete walkway adjacent to 493 Lake Avenue.

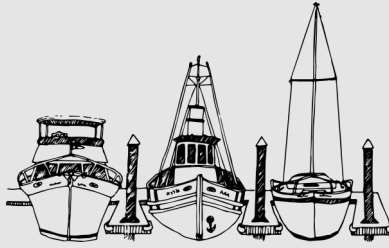
**Status:** Completed on May 10, 2023

**Project:** 333 Lake Avenue – Electrical Service Upgrades

**Cost:** \$57,723

**Description:** Upgrade electrical service at 333 Lake Avenue (multi-tenant commercial building)

**Status:** Completed on June 9, 2023



## DEPUTY HARBORMASTERS HONORED FOR APPREHENDING SUSPECT WANTED FOR MURDER

The California Association of Harbormasters and Port Captains (CAHMP) recently recognized three members of the Santa Cruz Harbor Patrol for outstanding service in the line of duty. Senior Deputy Harbormaster John Haynes, Deputy Harbormaster David Hill, and Deputy Harbormaster Parker Guy were commended during the CAHMP annual conference in Sacramento on May 25, 2023, for their creditable actions on April 10, 2022, which resulted in the arrest of an individual that posed a significant threat to the welfare of the community.

Please join us in congratulating Senior Deputy Harbormaster Haynes, Deputy Harbormaster Hill, and Deputy Harbormaster Guy for their achievements!

*Upper left: Santa Cruz Harbor Patrol were commended during the California Association of Harbormasters and Port Captains (CAHMP) annual conference in Sacramento on May 25, 2023.*

*From left to right: CAHMP Vice President Tim Perick, Deputy Harbormaster Parker Guy, Senior Deputy Harbormaster John Haynes, Deputy Harbormaster David Hill, CAHMP Executive Director Charlie Helm.*

## NEW WEBSITE!

The Santa Cruz Port District is proud to announce the launch of its new website. Check it out at [www.santacruzharbor.org](http://www.santacruzharbor.org).

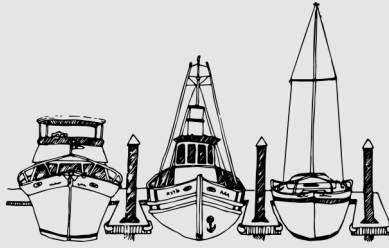


## 2015 TOYO PUMP

*Need a heavy duty submersible slurry pump?*

The Port District currently has a Toyo DPF-75B pump available for surplus. If interested, please contact Facilities Maintenance and Engineering Manager Carl Wulf at (831) 475-6161, ext. 25.





*Above: Last year's "Best in Show," winner, Fred Richey, who showcased his beautiful 1936 Ford Pickup.*

## 8TH ANNUAL CLASSIC CAR SHOW SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2023

Mark your calendars for the 8th Annual Classic Car & Truck Show at Santa Cruz Harbor! Come enjoy an afternoon of festivities, food, and of course, classic cars! Vintage cars and trucks will be on display from 9 AM to 2 PM on Sunday, October 8, 2023, on the harbor's west side (near Mariner Park Lawn).

[Register here!](#) Register your classic car, truck, or motorcycle early to guarantee a place in this year's show! "Day-of" registration is not available for this event. Visit the Port District's [website](#) for more information.

## BOATYARD WORKER PART-TIME POSITION

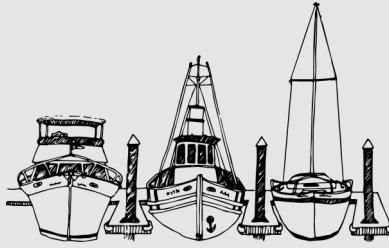
Santa Cruz Port District is seeking a part-time employee to assist with various duties at the Santa Cruz Harbor Boatyard. Work hours may vary depending on needs.

Position: Boatyard Worker  
Type: Part-Time (typical schedule 2 days a week)  
Hourly Pay Range: \$15.50 to \$18.00, depending on experience  
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled.

To apply, submit a completed Port District employment application. Application and full job descriptions are available on the Port District's [website](#).



*Santa Cruz Harbor Boatyard operates as a "Do It Yourself" or DIY facility, open daily from 9 AM to 6 PM.*



## WATER TAXI OPERATION

Have you taken a water taxi ride yet this summer?

The free, inner-harbor water taxi operates on weekends and holidays from 11 AM to 6 PM. In addition to weekend service, the water taxi will operate on Thursday evenings during the Crow's Nest beach barbecues from 5 PM to 9 PM.

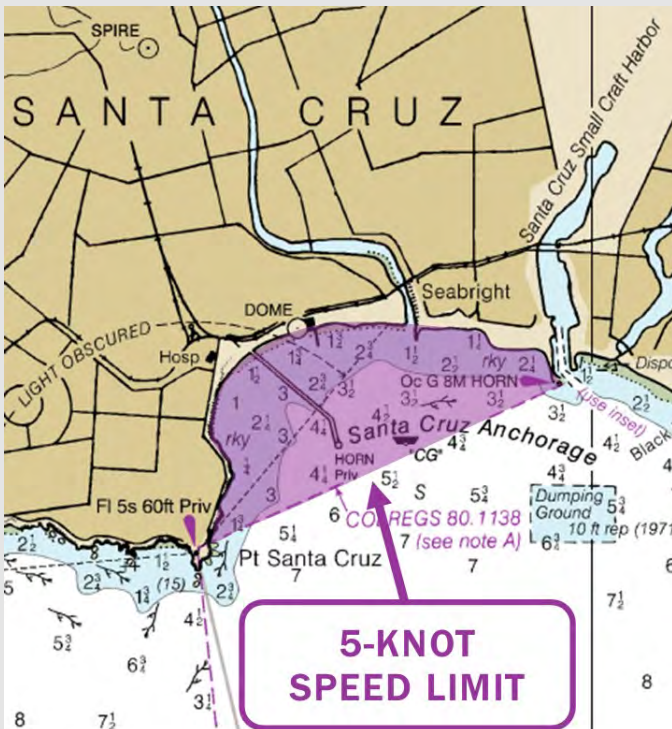
Passengers may be picked up and dropped off at the following locations:

- X-1 Gate
- AA Dock
- Launch Ramp



*Above: The Port District's inner-harbor water taxi, "Never Late", photo courtesy of Mark Woodward.*

Please visit the Port District [website](#) to view the map of all water taxi pick-up and drop-off locations!



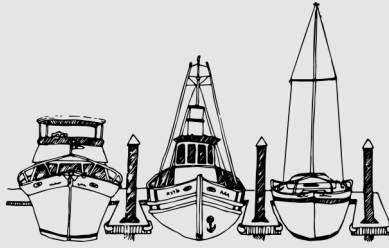
## IMPORTANT SAFETY REMINDER FOR BOATERS

Did you know that pursuant to Santa Cruz Municipal Code, the area between Abbott Lighthouse at Steamer Lane and the tip of the west jetty is a designated 5-knot speed limit zone?

With an increase in 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.





## CHANNEL NAVIGATION

During the busy boating season, Port District staff would like to remind boaters of the rules governing vessel traffic within the harbor channel. The Inner-Harbor Vessel Traffic brochure, which provides a comprehensive listing of the Rules Governing Inner-Harbor Vessel Traffic, is summarized below:

- The speed limit within the harbor is 5 MPH.
- Sailboats may tack across the channel, even if such tacking places the vessel in violation of the "keep-to-the-right" rule.
- When tacking across the harbor channel onto the side of the channel that places the sailboat in violation of the "keep-to-the-right" rule, sailboats shall yield to oncoming vessels so as not to cause an oncoming vessel to alter speed or course.
- All vessels crossing the main harbor channel, or leaving a fairway, shall yield to any vessel transiting the main channel.
- Paddlers must keep to the right at all times, and no more than two abreast. A paddler may choose to cross over to the opposing side of the channel to exit or enter the harbor entrance.
- Human-powered watercraft are not allowed in the launch ramp area at any time, or operate in fairways and other prohibited areas ([see maps](#)).
- Paddlers are advised to stay well clear of aerators, which can present a danger whether or not they are in operation.
- Please observe the signs! Swimming and prone paddling in the harbor is prohibited.
- While on the water, please observe these "rules of the road" and have a safe and enjoyable boating season.

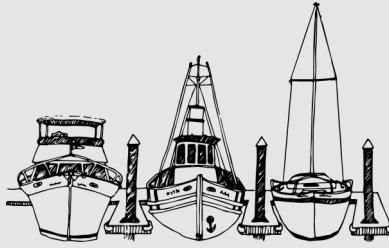


*Above: (from left to right) Senior Deputy Harbormaster John Haynes, Administrative Assistant Renee Ghisletta, and Facilities Coordinator Brenda Ramos.*

## CERTIFIED CLEAN MARINA

The Santa Cruz Port District has once again earned a Clean Marina designation! Since 2007, the District has routinely completed the rigorous recertification process, which takes place every five years to maintain its Clean Marina designation. The district earned the certification with a high score of 95%.

The Clean Marina Initiative is a voluntary, incentive-based program that encourages marina operators and recreational boaters to protect coastal water quality by engaging in environmentally sound operating and maintenance procedures. While Clean Marina Programs vary from state to state, all programs offer information, guidance, and technical assistance to marina operators, local governments, and recreational boaters on Best Management Practices (BMPs) that can be used to prevent or reduce pollution. Marinas that participate in the Clean Marina Program are recognized for their environmental stewardship.

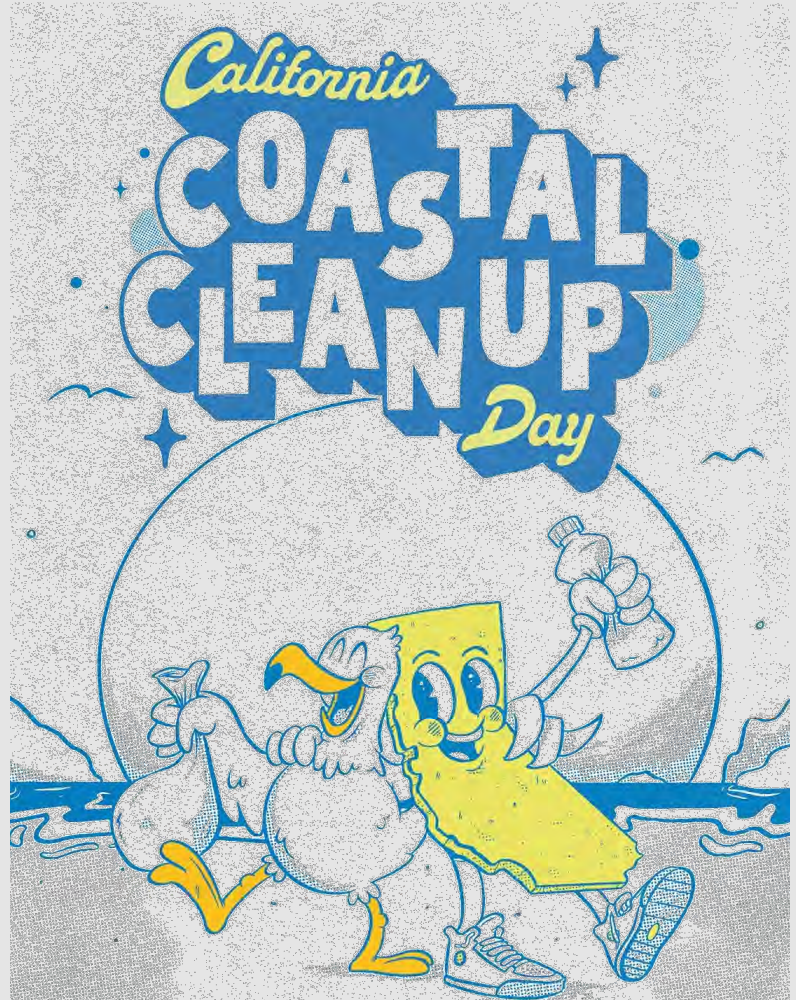


## SEPTEMBER IS COASTAL CLEAN UP MONTH

September is California Coastal Cleanup Month, and here are two ways you can participate:

1. Coastal Cleanup Day: Help remove the trash and plastic pollution at beaches and waterways. Save Our Shores will be hosting dozens of cleanups along the Central Coast on Saturday, September 23, 2023. Register to volunteer today, [click here!](#)
2. Self-guided Cleanups: Participate throughout the month by cleaning your neighborhoods, parks, and other local areas. Trash from inland areas flows downstream to the coast, so cleaning up neighborhood trash prevents marine debris. Gather cleanup supplies from home, download the [CleanSwell app](#) (to count your trash, and to have your trash counted!), and clean on your own time throughout September.

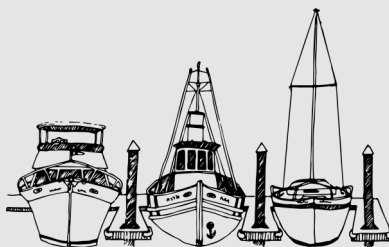
However you choose to participate, thank you for keeping our beaches and waterways clean and healthy!



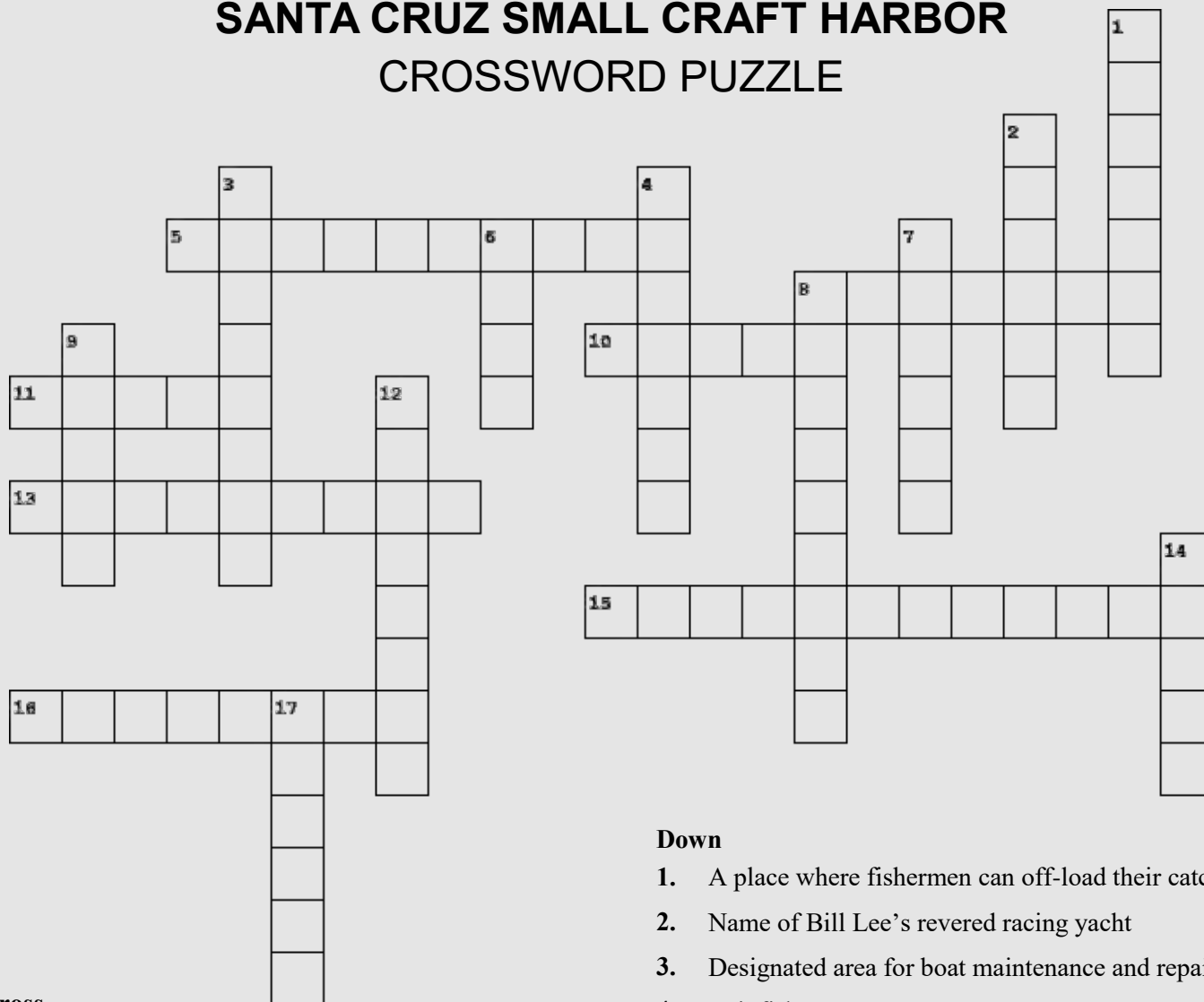
## U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY BOATING SAFETY CLASSES

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is offering boating safety courses on Coastal Navigation, Boating Skills, and Sailing Skills, which will start in September.

[Registration](#) for these classes will take place on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 7:00 PM at the Santa Cruz Harbor Public Meeting Room.



## SANTA CRUZ SMALL CRAFT HARBOR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### Across

5. Board of five elected officials that govern the Port District
8. Type of fishing vessel
10. The edge of land where it meets the water
11. Name of the gaff-rigged felucca vessel displayed near the harbor office & once owned by Harbor legend, Ed Larson
13. Arana Gulch is one of them
15. The officer tasked with oversight of harbor operations
16. Patrol Boat \_\_\_\_\_ (named in honor of a long-time Deputy Harbormaster)

### Down

1. A place where fishermen can off-load their catch
2. Name of Bill Lee's revered racing yacht
3. Designated area for boat maintenance and repairs
4. Bait fish
6. Docking area for boats (the harbor has over 800)
7. Built in 2001, \_\_\_\_\_ Lighthouse
8. The west jetty is comprised of concrete jacks, also known as \_\_\_\_\_
9. Human-powered watercraft
12. Entrance channel requires annual maintenance
14. \_\_\_\_\_
17. Common name for the street spanning the harbor

Answers: [www.santacruzharbor.org/crossword-puzzle](http://www.santacruzharbor.org/crossword-puzzle)