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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW DEPUTY HARBORMASTER
The Santa Cruz Port District welcomes Jordan Rank as its newest Deputy Harbormaster. Jordan was sworn in at the Port Commission's February meeting.

The Port District is excited to welcome Jordan to the team!

2% RATE INCREASE
At its regular public session on February 28, 2016, the Santa Cruz Port Commission adopted the FY18 operating budget. As part of the budget process, a 2% rate increase was approved for the following types of marina fees:

- Slip Rent
- Dry Storage
- Rack Storage
- Catamaran Storage
This increase will be effective April 1, 2017. Please be sure to update your automatic payments to the new amount effective April 1, 2017, to avoid any late fees.

To view the Port District's FY18 operating budget and 5-Year Capital Improvement Program, click here.

DREDGING UPDATE

DAUNTLESS AND SAMMY G
At its meeting on February 14, 2017, the Port Commission directed staff to enter into a contract with Pacific Tugboat Service to bring in the vessel Sammy G to assist with dredge operations while Dauntless' engines are replaced. Dauntless' starboard engine unexpectedly broke down, and Commissioners elected to replace both of its engines. Sammy G arrived at the harbor on Saturday, February 25, 2017, and commenced work on Monday, February 27, 2017, in the entrance channel.

Dauntless' engine repairs are currently on schedule. Both the starboard and port engines have been installed. Sammy G will remain onsite until Dauntless passes sea trials.

ENTRANCE DREDGING
Crews are working hard to regain a safe and navigable entrance channel. Due to heavy storms and the unexpected breakdown of Dauntless' starboard engine, dredging operations were delayed in early February. Fortunately, with the help of Sammy G, dredging has resumed in the entrance channel.

Prior to transiting the entrance, mariners are advised to check tide and weather conditions and review the most recent entrance survey online. Be sure to know what depth your vessel draws to ensure safe passage.

NORTH HARBOR DREDGING
The Port District has requested an emergency extension from all regulators to continue dredging the north harbor until April 30, 2017. Regulators include the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, California Coastal Commission, California Water Quality Control Board, and the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. Permits for north harbor dredging end February 28th each year.

NEW HARBOR WEBCAM
Check out the new harbor webcam!

Replacing our antiquated system, the new webcam improves user operation and offers live-streaming video of the entrance channel and surrounding areas. The new webcam allows viewers to control the webcam and view real-time conditions at the harbor.

One you are connected to the webcam, click "control," which will allow you to view real-time presets of the harbor and surrounding areas. The webcam allows viewers personal control for up to 40 seconds. Be sure to allow a few seconds for the camera to adjust to your operation.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Join our team at the harbor! The Santa Cruz Port District is currently recruiting for the following positions:

Port Director
Diesel: $3.39
Commercial Diesel: $3.29

For more information and application instructions click here.
Application Deadline: March 31, 2017

Harbor Maintenance Worker I, II or III - Facilities Maintenance
For more information and application materials, click here.
Application Deadline: Friday, March 3, 2017, 5 PM

Harbor Maintenance Worker I, II or III - Dredge Operation
For more information and application materials, click here.
Application Deadline: Open Until Filled

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