



Docks & Harbors

The Tide Line

August 2018



Docks & Harbors Meetings:

Operations/Planning
Wednesday August 22nd
At 5pm
CBJ Room 224

Regular Board
Thursday August 30th
At 5pm
CBJ Assembly Chambers
Meeting agendas and minutes
can be found at:

<http://www.juneau.org/harbors/board.php>

Port Director's Corner

July saw Docks & Harbors completing numerous grant applications. As an enterprise department, Docks & Harbors is required to generate sufficient revenues to operate without CBJ subsidies from sales or property taxes. This is true every year for our annual budget which commences on 1 July. A qualifier to this description is that Docks & Harbors is able to compete for the voter approved Special 1% Sales Tax initiative which occurs every 5 years. In 2017, the voters approved \$1.5M for the third phase of the Aurora Harbor Rebuild Project. The Docks & Harbors Board has committed \$500K of Harbor Fund Balance and an application to the Alaska Department of Transportation for a 50/50 Harbor Facility Grant which was submitted ahead of the August 1st deadline. If successful, it is our intentions to move forward with a \$4M project commencing as early as winter 2020. We anticipate that the total cost remaining to replace the Aurora Harbor float system is \$7M; thus, even in our best scenario – a phase IV will be required in the future. We are in discussions with our Army Corps of Engineers partners to coordinate maintenance dredging in Aurora & Harris Harbors, potentially in the fall of 2019.

Docks & Harbors has also applied for a \$120K matching Harbor Facility Grant for installation of zinc anodes in Harris Harbor. Docks & Harbors unexpectedly received a windfall of a \$140K ADOT Harbor Facility Grant to install zinc anodes at Douglas Harbor. This grant was unexpected because the Alaska Legislature had previously not funded this request in the session which was most recently completed. ADOT was able to fund this FY19 request through closing out previously funded, but not expended, grants. Unfortunately, there are relatively few grant opportunities which Docks & Harbors can pursue. In addition to the aforementioned 50/50 ADOT Harbor Facility Grant and the ADFG Sport Fish Grant, the federal DOT since 2009 has offered TIGER, now referred to BUILD Grants, on an annual basis. The BUILD grants are open to a wide variety of infrastructure investments and are highly competitive on a national basis. Nonetheless, Docks & Harbors submitted three BUILD grant applications ahead of the July 18th deadline. The three BUILD grants are:

\$25M – Juneau Fisheries Terminal Completion

\$25M – Marine Services Center

\$12M – Non-Motorized Coastal Transportation Link

The \$25M threshold is the maximum grant which a rural community (Juneau meets this definition) without requiring a local match. We anticipate hearing the results of the BUILD grants this fall.

Derby Weekend – What you need to know: Docks & Harbors is working closely with the Territorial Sportsman to ensure the Golden Salmon Derby is run with efficiency. Docks & Harbors will have ice provided throughout the harbor system (Statter Harbor, Harris Boat Ramp, Douglas Boat Ramp). Statter Harbor staff will be on hand at the launch ramp facility to direct traffic. All users are asked to follow the facility design by properly utilizing the “Make Ready” lanes prior to launching boats. Similarly, boat trailers should be pulled smartly up the ramp and moved to the “Tie Down” lanes when retrieving boats.

Help stop theft in our Harbors! If you see something, say something. Call suspicious activity to JPD Non-Emergency Line -907-586-0600 and report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.

Employees of the Quarter: Jeremiah Cryts and Tom Matheson were recognized as employees of the quarter for their efforts in spearheading repairs to the Auke Bay Marine Station Float. The citation read, in part: *Jeremiah & Tom distinguished themselves by completing a rehabilitation project on the Auke Bay Marine Station (ABMS) floating dock in preparations for the arrival of the Alaska State Troopers vessel ENFORCER. The Troopers notified Docks & Harbors in January that they were considering permanently repositioning the vessel from Ketchikan to Juneau. Docks & Harbors had recently acquired the ABMS*



and thought the ENFORCER would be a great addition to our facility. The 120' floating dock was in a state of serious disrepair. The most significant of these needed repairs was the complete replacement of the bull-rail running the outer perimeter of the dock....Over a period of three weeks, Jeremiah and Tom executed the plan replacing the bull-rail. The construction efforts went as far as lapping the joints to provide increased structural integrity and chamfering the rails so that mooring lines would not chaff and needlessly wear. They then set to the task of cleaning the float and removing many years of marine growth and unsightly stains. Recently, a delegation of senior executives from NOAA and CBJ toured the facility. This group complimented the efforts numerous times noting the outstanding and meticulous work.

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Office Hours:

Port Office

907-586-0292

Monday – Friday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Port/Field Office

907-586-5720

Monday – Sunday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Closed 12:00 -1:00

for lunch

Aurora Office

907-586-5255

Monday – Friday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Statter Harbor

(Auke Bay) Office

907-789-0819

Monday – Sunday

8:00am to 4:30 pm

Closed 12:00 – 1:00

for lunch

Auke Bay Marine Station Float Extension: Trucano Construction continues to make good progress on the fabrication and installation of the 100' float extension. Substantial completion date expected on August 29th.

Aurora Harbor Phase II - Zinc Anodes: The on time and under budget completion of the Aurora Harbor “E”, “F” and “G” floats enabled Docks & Harbors to leverage local funds with ADOT Harbor Facility Grant match to install zinc anodes throughout the Aurora Harbor basin. The installation of zinc anodes will extend the useful life of the steel pilings throughout Aurora Harbor and is keeping with the long game vision of Docks & Harbors to protect our infrastructure investments through smart targeted efforts. The underwater work will be accomplished by Alaska Commercial Divers, Inc. and will be completed by September 1st.

Go Green with Docks & Harbors! If interested in having your statement sent via email, please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.org



Aurora Harbor beautification & thanks:

Longtime Aurora Harbor patron Russell Peterson volunteered time, sweat and his own resources to create very attractive flower baskets, which are displayed on the backside of the Harbormaster Building. Please give your thanks to Russell when you see him along the docks.



Photo by Russell Peterson

Picture to the right shows the **Intermediate Vessel Float** auxiliary floatation pontoon came out from under the float. Divers re-installed July 11th-13th.