



# Docks & Harbors The Tide Line February 2017



## Port Director's Corner

If I've said it once...I've said it a hundred times: **THE WORLD IS RUN BY PEOPLE WHO SHOW UP FOR MEETINGS.** Case-in-point: on February 1<sup>st</sup>, the City Manager arranged to hold an Auke Bay Marine Station "Forum" to discuss the competing applications for the former NOAA Lab (aka the Auke Bay Marine Station). <http://www.juneau.org/clerk/newsitems/20170203105813.pdf>

By my count, there were 70 in attendance supporting the University's application to five in support of a future harbor expansion. It is Docks & Harbors' position that acquiring the uplands to create a portal for harbor development is in the best interest of the Juneau community. Each summer, we experience capacity stresses in Statter Harbor that we try to mitigate through better coordination with our customers; through expanding our launch ramp and uplands; and plans to segregate the charter operators from other recreational and commercial fisherman. Given the setback of the Juneau Access Road, there are no suitable virgin-harbor areas between Auke Bay and Echo Cove. We believe the future needs of the Juneau boating community can be fulfilled through judicious planning using the excessing Statter Harbor with an expanded breakwater as envisioned in our application.

### Docks & Harbors Meetings:

#### Harbor Fee Review

Wednesday February 15th, 2017  
at 12:00 p.m.  
CBJ Room 224

#### Operations/Planning Meeting

Wednesday February 15th, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.  
CBJ Room 224

#### Finance Meeting

Thursday February 16th, 2017 at 5:00 pm  
CBJ Room 224

#### Regular Board Meeting

Thursday February 23rd, 2017 at 5:00 pm  
Assembly Chambers

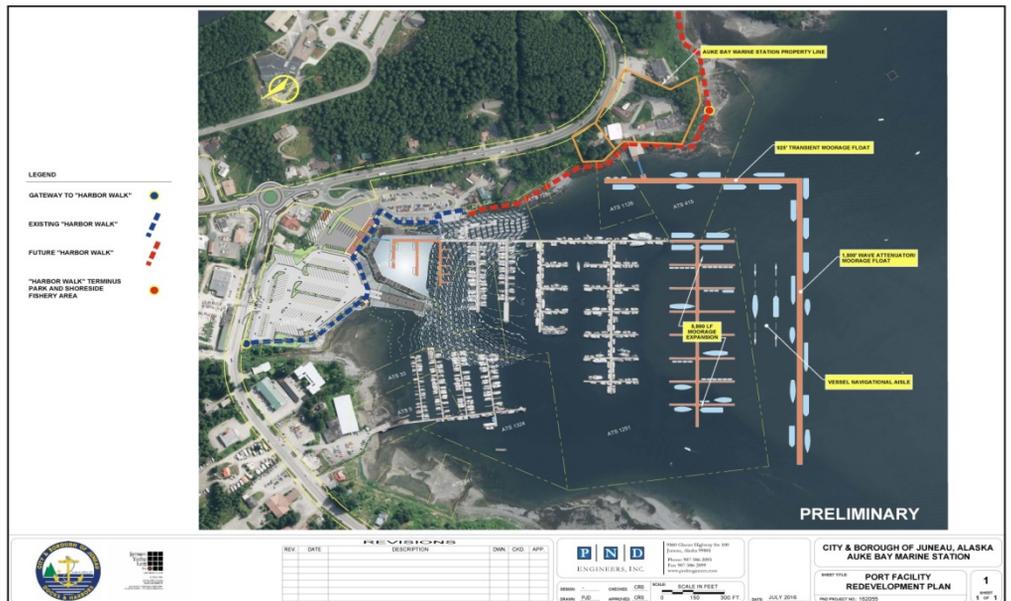
#### Meeting agendas and minutes

can be found at:

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

### 2017 Launch Ramp Permits

available at Aurora or Statter Harbors or online at  
[www.juneauharbors.com](http://www.juneauharbors.com)



The existing Statter Breakwater is nearly 30 years in age and will require recapitalization in the very near future. The 2014 damage to the "C Float" required extensive repairs and perhaps signified that the resilience of the facility is waning. The opportunity to seize a vision to serve the community for decades to come comes but once in a generation. Both applications are contained in the above link. Of note is that CBJ Port Conveyance application to the Maritime Administration (MARAD) offers a MOU with the University to provide reasonable access to facilities which are reasonable and suitable to the educational mission of UAS. The application to the US Department of Education makes no offer to CBJ for expanded harbor facilities.

**Docks & Harbors  
Office Hours:**

**Port Office Hours**

907-586-0292

Monday – Friday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

**Port/Field Office  
Closed**

(for the winter)

**Aurora Office Hours**

907-586-5255

Monday – Friday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

**Statter Harbor (Auke  
Bay) Office Hours**

907-789-0819

Monday - Friday

8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Closed 12:00 to 1:00  
for lunch

At 5 pm on February 6<sup>th</sup>, a joint Assembly and Docks & Harbors Board meeting will be held. One of the discussion items will include an update on the application process. If you would like to comment on the Docks & Harbors' vision, please let us know through a letter or email

<http://www.juneau.org/harbors/webcontact/index.php>. For the hundredth and first time...the world is run by those who show up to meetings (and communicate with their decision makers).

**Norway Point to Bridge Park Land Use Master Plan:** Thank you to the scores of harbor customers who showed up to provide input to the uplands planning efforts in the vicinity of Harris & Aurora Harbors. The next opportunities to participate will be February 15<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 3 pm during an "Open Studio" and on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm for a public presentation of a preferred plan option. Both meetings will be held at the Yacht Club. This enables harbor users to sit with the engineers, architects and planners and craft the future of these valuable Juneau uplands. To stay abreast of the efforts (and SHOW UP FOR MEETINGS!) please follow:

<http://juneauwaterfront.blogspot.com/>

**Aurora Harbor Phase II Update:** The plans & specifications are currently being advertised. The bid opening date is February 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Go Green with Docks & Harbors. If you are interested in having your statement sent via email, please send an email to [dolly.raster@juneau.org](mailto:dolly.raster@juneau.org)**

**Meet the Staff:** Congratulations to Statter Harbor Officer Tom Boddy for being recognized as Employee of the Quarter. The citation read in part: *Tom distinguished himself by providing outstanding harbor management skills, customer service and the ability to problem solve difficult situations on the fly. In a harbor that is extremely congested with multiple user groups, he managed more than 150 yacht and small cruise ship reservations ensuring each vessel had their moorage needs met. Several times over the quarter, Tom used outstanding problem solving skills when space was double booked or insufficient for a specific vessel. He managed each one of these situations with extreme decorum, sensitive to each operator's needs. With diverse user groups, Mr. Boddy consistently met the expectations of the many harbor patrons.*

**Gillnet recycling Efforts:**

This summer, in collaboration with CBJ Solid Waste, we collected nearly 20 gillnets which in past years would have ended up in the Landfill.

Instead, the nets have been bailed and sent to a recycler who will use the discarded product in carpeting, plastics or other beneficial use.

**Shellfish:** The Cultural Resources Department within Ketchikan Indian Community has recently gotten involved with the Southeast Alaska Tribal Toxins (SEATT) program. The SEATT program's goal is to ensure the safety of Tribal members who harvest shellfish for personal consumption. At this time, Settler's Cove is the only monitored site. If you have any suggestions for any additional sites, or have any questions, please contact Nicole Forbes at 907-228-9312 or [nforbes@kictribe.org](mailto:nforbes@kictribe.org)

