



Docks & Harbors The Tide Line September 2023



Port Director’s Corner: At the August 31st Docks & Harbors Board meeting, staff was directed to commence the requisite 21-day public notice process to raise all applicable Docks & Harbors rates 9%. This action is the result of multiple years of evaluation, studies, and public outreach. The Board established a “public hearing” date of October 4th, proposing to raise rates 9%, with an effective date of January 2024. After the “public hearing”, the Board will make motions and forward recommendations to the Assembly for regulation adoption. The Assembly will take up this action at a future regular Assembly meeting. The Board is pleased to hear input from the community and can be reached via HarborBoard@juneau.gov. Information regarding the public notice, study and other communications mentioned above can be found at <https://juneau.org/harbors/proposed-rate-increase>.

Docks & Harbors Meetings
All meetings will be held at the locations below and via Zoom

Operations/Planning
Wednesday
September 20th
CBJ Room 224
at 5pm

Regular Board
Thursday
September 28th
CBJ Room 224
at 5pm

Meeting agendas & minutes can be found [here](#)

For online Launch Ramp Permits and Bill Pay, go to juneauharbors.com

US Army Divers: Docks & Harbors was again pleased to have partnered with the 82nd US Army Dive Detachment from Ft Eustis (VA) who have been traveling to Juneau for cold-water dive training before the pandemic. Docks & Harbors daily offered our harbor vessel as a platform for the divers. In return, the divers inspected our underwater infrastructure and cleaned growth off our potable water lines. The dive team began mobilizing on June 30th and departed August 24th.



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UAS Property Lease: Docks & Harbors has completed a four-year lease extension with the University of Alaska for property commonly referred to as the Juneau Fisheries Terminal. This 2.8 acre site is located in between Harris and Aurora Harbors, including the commercial boatyard and access to the crane docks. The new lease rate payment to UA has increased from \$12K/year to \$100K/year. In addition, CBJ will be providing in-kind services to UAS students as part of the negotiations.

Secretary Buttigieg Visit to Juneau: The Port Director had a brief opportunity to speak with the US Secretary of Transportation during a layover at the Juneau International Airport. Port Director Uchtyl ensured Mr. Buttigieg and his staff were aware of a Maritime Administration (MARAD) grant for a proposed \$11.5M Aurora Harbor drive-down float. The application is currently under US DOT staff review with announcement of results anticipated in October.

Mayor Weldon and other CBJ Staff members (Airport Manager, City Manager, Public Works Director) were also in attendance.



Welcome Aboard Joelle: Docks & Harbors has selected Joelle Worthley to be a fulltime, year-round Administrative Assistant at Statter Harbor. Joelle started the summer with us as a seasonal employee after moving to Juneau from Seattle. We are thrilled to have her on board. If you are in Statter Harbor, please stop by to introduce yourself and welcome her to the Docks & Harbors team.

Port Office

907-586-0292

Monday-Friday

8:00am-4:30pm

Port/Field Office

907-586-5720

Monday-Friday

8:00am-4:30pm

Aurora Harbor

(Last Sat. Sept. 9)

907-586-5255

Monday-Saturday

8:00am-4:30pm

(typically closed 12-

1pm for lunch on

Saturday)

Statter Harbor

(Last Sun. Sept 3)

907-789-0819

Monday-Friday

8:00am-5:00pm

Saturday & Sunday

8:00am - 4:30pm

(typically closed

12-1pm for lunch)

77th Annual Golden North Salmon Derby Weekend: Docks & Harbors was pleased to have worked with the Territorial Sportsmen to assist in this rainy, but successful event. As was the case in 2022, the Auke Bay Derby Float was moved from Statter Harbor to the Auke Bay Loading Facility. As part of Derby weekend, we encouraged boaters to fill out an on-line survey questionnaire on our launch ramp facilities. We received 243 responses which will be shared at the Docks & Harbors Operations-Planning Committee meeting on September 20th. To encourage survey participation, we offered two CY24 Launch Ramp Permits to randomly selected participants. The two winners were: Kevin Maier & Forrest Bowers. Docks & Harbors appreciates all those who took time to complete the on-line survey.

Help stop theft in our Harbors & vandalism in our restrooms! If you see something call JPD Non-Emergency Line at 907-586-0600 & report to the Harbor Office at 907-586-5255.

Juneau Harbors Winter Management: As a reminder, September 1st at 8:00am starts our sign-up for patrons wishing for a Winter moorage assignment from October through April. Please feel free to contact the Statter Office at (789-0819) or the Aurora Harbor Office at (586-5255) with questions.

Tourism End-of-Season Meetings: This year, as we do every year, is to capture lessons learned from our summer tourism experiences. The following meetings will be held on October 4th in Assembly Chambers.

- 0915 - Waterfront Sales Operators (vendor booths)
- 1000 - Downtown Transportation providers (bus/vehicle operators)
- 1100 - Statter Harbor Boat and Bus/Vehicle Operators

All TBMP members who are permitted through Docks & Harbors should plan to attend the meeting specific to your operation.

Seasonal Docks & Harbors Workforce: For most of our seasonal workforce, their last day will be October 1st, we thank the 30+ seasonal employees who have diligently worked for Docks & Harbors, wishing them a safe & prosperous winter off! We look forward to welcoming them back in April 2024.

ADOT Harbor Facility Grant: In August, Docks & Harbors submitted a \$5M grant application to ADOT for Aurora Phase IV. If awarded, through the legislative process, would provide \$10M to complete Aurora Harbor with a probable start of March 2025.

Cruise Ship Capacity: (The numbers below are unaudited and August reporting is incomplete)

	April Capacity	May Capacity	June Capacity	July Capacity	August Capacity
Total	12,572	281,932	338,628	340,057	349,442
Actual	12,673	269,353	348,880	354,952	345,087
	101%	96%	103%	104%	99%

D&H encourages electronic statements to make online bill pay at juneauharbors.com faster and easier! Please send an email to harbormaster@juneau.gov to request electronic statements.

Text Messaging Notification: D & H established a SMS (Short Message Service) account which will allow harbor patrons to “opt in” for short text messages pertaining to D & H operations. Our goal is to inform the public of vital (or timely) information. This will be used to notify patrons of harbor utility outages, severe weather conditions or topical items for debate from the Harbor Board. There is no cost to sign up and interested citizens must “opt in” to receive these notification. Scan the QR code on the right to sign up.

