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Subject: Report

According to AUXDATA, District 11N Auxiliarists logged 3,300 hours of marine safety and environmental protection hours this year to date, compared with 5,200 hours in 2007. There appear to be a lot of unreported hours in this year's figures. Please remind your members to report their time and check their posted tasks and competencies.

I attended a meeting in Monterey last month and presented an overview of how members in this division, which is a bit distant from the Prevention office on Coast Guard Island, can participate in the marine safety missions. I would like to do the same for each division in the district. Please check your calendars and let me know when would be most convenient.

America's Waterway Watch

Please remind your members to report their AWW activity, which should be represented in all public education, vessel safety checks, program visitation and public affairs activities. Please identify one individual to coordinate your division's activity and forward reports of your activity to ADSO-MS Bill Burns. We have about a dozen folks at the District level who can and regularly do assist with formal presentations on AWW.

Incident Management

The next California Clean Boating Network meeting will be a on *Thursday, December 4th* from 9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the new Mt Diablo Recycling Facility located at 1300 Loveridge Road in Pittsburg. This is a great opportunity to learn about environmental protection issues in California. If you would like to attend, contact DSO-MS Nick Tarlson.

2008 Dockwalker Boater Kits are available (see prior reports for ordering information).

Domestic Vessel Inspections

Auxiliarists comprise 13 out of 21, or 62 percent of qualified examiners and conducted 5 out of 15, or one third of the Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams during the second calendar quarter and 61 out of 141 (43 percent) for the year to date. After a wash out due to cancellation of the salmon season, we performed pulse outreach operations for

Operation Safe Crab this week in anticipation of the opening of crab season on 15 November.

Ferry Vessel Audit Program

49 auditors conducted 26 audits since the last report, for a total of 136 to date, as compared with only 97 audits for all of last year – an increase of 36+ percent. If your members want to continue in this important program, please tell them they must show their commitment to the program by conducting at least two audits this year.

Facilities Inspection

We receive an average of one call per week for Auxiliary assistance in the Facilities Branch.

Regional Examination Center

We continue to assist the REC with remote locations and other support.

Pacific Strike Team

Richard Celia continues to stand watch every Friday at the PST.

Occupational Medical Surveillance and Evaluation Program (OMSEP)

Encourage your members to participate in this program, which is intended to protect their occupational health.

Marine Safety Training Ribbon

The following members have earned the Marine Safety Training Ribbon in our District:

Simone H. Adair
Stuart M. Hunter
Wilfred Sumner

William W. Burns
Dean LaChappelle

Phil E. Grove
Guy E. Mallery

Please encourage your members to consider this as a minimum goal and qualification for marine safety officers and members interested in the program. Once they have earned the ribbon, please encourage them to continue on to serve this mission area and earn their Trident pins.

Trident Program

No new activity.

Other Initiatives

Domestic inspections needs interpreters in Croatian and Vietnamese languages.

The Ship Ride program is currently operating with active-duty riders only.