



Friday, March 27, 2026

Boaters Liaison Program - Submission

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Stake in the harbor:

Boat on trailer - Embarcadero

PLEASE RAISE MY ISSUE/QUESTION WITH:

Share with the following:

Dana Point Boaters Association

Embarcadero at Dana Point (Embarcadero Operator)

OC BOS (County Board of Supervisors)

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

Just received a rate increase for dry storage at the Embarcadero. How in the world do they justify another rate increase?

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Boat in a slip - West Marina

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OC BOS (County Board of Supervisors)

OC Real Estate (County CEO Real Estate)

Harbor Patrol (Orange County Sheriff's Department)

Landside Operations (DPHP, OC PARKS, OC BOS, OC

REAL ESTATE)

OC Parks (Park Areas, Sailing Events Center)

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

DPHP has no regard for boat owners they continue to raise rates at 9% annually . A 9% increase over 5 years was reasonable IF the increase was NOT compounded annually. I believe the county was left without any recourse to oppose the rates . I find this ridiculous that owners of the land have no voice on what is legally right and unable to stand up to partnership the was set up to control whatever they feel is appropriate. I believe the county of orange made a huge mistake in giving the DPHP a lease without written knowledge of a appropriate rate increase. DPHP is controlling this as they please without any opposition. The county has the power if it chose ,to simply declare the lease void and take back the marina. One last word. The so called amenities that the DPHP say are state of art is beyond me, has anyone been to the existing boater showers ? They put a minimal amount of labor in remodeling these dilapidated units and I think they are disgusting. DPHP are cutting corners on the complete renovation and still have the audacity to charge boaters water and electricity. I don't see why the county could not have chose to hire a contractor and completed this on their own. .

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Boat in a slip - East Marina

Wait-list

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Share with the following:

The Marina at Dana Point (Marina Operator)

DPHP - (Dana Point Harbor Partners)

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

My rent now raising \$500 again this year for a total of \$3,400 is ridiculous. [REDACTED]

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Harbor Patrol (Orange County Sheriff's Department)

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

The Harbor revision has removed all public boat dump out stations with this revision! I have been dumping my waste myself for the last 20 years! The last 3 months has been unacceptable, in that every time that I have tried to dump my waste at the one and only waste dump left (by the Sheriff station) was not working, and has now been removed. The Marina wants smaller boats (my sail boat is 28 ft) to make an appointment and meet them at a dock to have it pumped out! This is not always convenient in that if I'm coming in from sailing and I want to dump it, I am not able to because it is after hours, or I haven't made an appointment. One time I scheduled a time and went to the dock as scheduled tied up my boat myself, and then the marina called and said that they couldn't come till 1:30 so I took my boat back to my dock, and then went back at 1:30 and tied up again. I waited 40 mins for them to come. For a Marina of this size there should be multiple public dump station available to boaters! The big boats on the new docks have the keys to portable roll around waste pumps, but we smaller boats do not! This is not acceptable. What about the boats that anchor in our harbor for the weekend, they have no place to dump! The Marina build project is just asking for an environmental problem in our harbor, because some boaters may allow their sewage to enter our waters if there is not adequate waste pump outs! Someone needs to get this fixed immediately so that every boater has the ability to dump waste properly at any time of the day or night. Not to mention we just got our slip fee's increased again with less service then I've had in the past 20 years of having a sailboat on the docks. Our new docks are beautiful but having proper waste facilities is more important! Please help!

I.e. in the paper "The Log" a couple months ago they had an article where different Marina's along the coast said what their amenities were for boaters visiting. Dana Point Marina said they have multiple public pump out stations, which was not true, at the time of publishing they only had 1 and it was broken.

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PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

Can you provide an example of issues to raise with our county supervisors? Like a form letter for those of us that won't email them because we don't know exactly what to say. Thank you.

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OC Parks (Park Areas, Sailing Events Center)

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

I just moved my boat to Long beach. The docks have been recently rebuilt. There is ample accesable parking for friends of boatowners. No gate, no unaccessible access with a program requireing a special pass. There are gangways for each dock. Look at the recently completed DP docks in the west basin island side. There are 150 boats serviced by one gangway. A person can lay on the docks in LB and not be laying in the stench of sea lion excrament.

Overall there is a limited amount of dock space for boaters in California. The cost of boat slips cannot increase without oversight. The \$734 per month SAVINGS by leaving DP is only the begining of what might be charged in DP without oversight.

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Description:

DPHP goes out of their way to lock the parking lots the rest rooms the docks in order to make it more difficult for the boatowners and their guests to use the marina facilities. What are the locks there to protect when a boat cleaner with ties to MS13 and wanted for a double homicide has keys to the docks the parking lots and access to all of the boats? Has the county which issues business licenses or the DPHP which gives out the access done any kind of a background check on the people who have complete access to the marina?

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Description:

Slip has increased 9% this year. There have been continual power outages on the dock and the WiFi has slowed down. Unsure the justification for a 9% increase.

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Description:

I will be moving to a different marina where the rent is half as much when I get to the front of the wait list

but I would like to know who the customers are going to be in the marina where all the slip rates have have more than doubled, and the yacht club leases, the restaurant leases, the cost of parking all increase dramatically?

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Pacific Marine Mammal Center

PLEASE DESCRIBE THE ISSUE/QUESTION YOU WOULD LIKE ADDRESSED OR ANSWERED:

Description:

The Pacific Marine Mammal center is not helping any boater in the marina by trying to rescue sea lions. When there is not enough food for the sea lions to eat and the PMMC nurses them back to health and returns them back to the local environment from which they have been rescued they are just adding to the problem. The biggest problem the DP boat owners face (besides the DPHP is the hundreds of sea lions on the boats on the docks. In case no one has noticed is these sea lions have destroyed the docks and leave piles of disgusting waste that the boat owners have to clean up. There are dozens of them on my dock that have now become aggressive and territorial. The boat owners are not allowed to use anything to scare or prod them off the dock. Let nature take its course to cull the herd. It is rather ludicrous to expect a boat owner perpetuate the problem. A practical solution would be to catch them and relocate them to San Clemente Island. The boat owners shouldn't be paying for a mammal sanctuary

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