MONTEREY AND MOSS LANDING LAUNCH RAMPS TO REOPEN CONDITIONALLY TO RECREATIONAL BOATERS

Monterey, CA – The City of Monterey Harbor and Moss Landing Harbor District announced today the reopening of their launch ramps to recreation boaters. Both facilities had been closed since late March to comply with the Monterey County Shield in Place Order due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Beginning Tuesday, May 19, 2020 at 5:00 a.m., the launch ramps are open to recreational users on a conditional basis, complying with Monterey County and State of California Shelter in Place Orders and CDC guidelines. Users’ cooperation is essential to maintain public health and to keep the facilities open. Failure to obey health orders and/or harbor regulations may result in the loss of launch ramp privileges or force the closure of launch ramp facilities.

Conditions for use include:
1. Maintain a six foot physical distance between others;
2. Face masks/coverings REQUIRED at all times in the parking lot or launch ramp;
3. No congregating in groups outside of your own household;
4. No camping or RV’s allowed in the launch ramp parking lot;
5. Do not linger when launching or retrieving your vessel - get in and out;
6. Fees must be paid at the pay stations (Monterey)
   Park and Launch Fees ($18) must be paid in cash or check using the provided blue envelopes with tear off permits. Permits must be displayed when using the ramp or parking in the lot. No change will be available from District employees. (Moss Landing)

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Monterey Harbor is not providing visitor berthing for vessels except for commercial fishing vessels and coastal cruising vessels seeking refuge.

“We are excited to reopen our facilities to recreational boaters, and are confident they will responsibly follow the public health requirements established by the Monterey County Public Health Director Dr. Moreno,” said Monterey Harbormaster John Haynes.

“We are glad we can jointly open our harbor services to the public to once again enjoy recreational boating activities while abiding by the guidelines,” said Tommy Razzeca, Moss Landing General Manager and Harbormaster.

The launch ramps have remained opened throughout the Order for essential business including commercial fishing.

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For more information about the Moss Landing Harbor visit [www.mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us/](http://www.mosslandingharbor.dst.ca.us/).
For more information about COVID-19 in Monterey, visit [www.monterey.org/coronavirus](http://www.monterey.org/coronavirus).