

**PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND
BOAT HAVEN DESIGN COMMITTEE**

Meeting Notes Transcribed from White Board

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Project Goals

1. Address safety and maintenance issues.
2. Support marine trades, commercial fishing, and other economic development activities.
3. Reposition facility for today's and tomorrow's boating market.
4. Financially and environmentally feasible.
5. Accommodate the project in phases and position it for future expansion.

Issues

Small Boats

- Signage and protocol.
- Dedicated trailer parking.
- Hoist for launching.
- Update wait-list and current tenant list; survey use.
- Provide upland storage for boats on trailers.
- Keep some small boat slips (accommodate sailboats).
- Support community sailing activities.

Environmental

1. Stormwater.
2. Water quality.
3. Limit over water coverage.
4. Minimal lighting focused on docks.
5. Possible fish passage opening?

Commercial/Yacht Club Membership Perspective

- Improved access ramp /net repair/loading area.
- More carts.
- Prefer cleats over bull rails.

Fuel Dock and Pump out Area

- Fuel dock and pump out areas are congested.
 - Expand the fuel dock
 - Separate or add more space for fueling, pump out, customs and other functions
- Pump out
 - Pump out is an issue with some liveaboards.
 - Location may be better at the end.
 - Sometimes the pump out has functional issues / often this is “operator error”
 - New pump out systems should be easy to use.
 - Perhaps a mobile pump out?
 - The location of the on land dump station is not well known (it is behind the bathrooms).

Dredging

- Shoaling has occurred over time
- Dredging will be an important part of the project

Wind!

- Wind and currents are very important design considerations.
- 200-foot boats can be handled today.

Marine Trades

- Transient moorage is important for marine trades
- The marina should accommodate bigger boats
 - Toward the entrance?
 - Near the heavy haul-out
- Make sure buildings are high enough to accommodate boats that can be lifted by the travel lift

Other Stakeholders

- Make sure the Tribe is included in the process.
- Make sure New Day Fisheries is included in the process.

Benedict Spit

- Utilize this space better.

Coast Guard:

- Reorienting the Coast Guard slip may be beneficial
- The footprint of the Coast Guard needs to be maintained (they cannot get any smaller).
- The Coast Guard operation could relocate within the marina.
- The safety and security of the vessel is the Coast Guard’s primary concern.
- Shoaling/dredging issue will help the Coast Guard vessel.

20-Year Opportunity?

- Additional commercial business?
- Dining establishment? The SMP allows 5,000 SF of restaurant.
- Relocate the ramp? Coordinate with breakwater work?
- Improve visual orientation/wavfinding/signage.
- A restroom is needed at the send location.
- Should the site be a tourist attraction?
- Accommodate transient moorage.
- Make it happen!

A Unique Facility

- The marina services major, medium, small, and do-it-yourself marine repair.
- Much of this occurs in open environment, with increasingly restrictive regulations.
- A larger slip strategy should be considered (this is flexible; you can always moor several small vessels in a larger slip.)

Miscellaneous

- A funding strategy for the expansion will be necessary.
- There are wave generators at the point—these should have a minimal effect on the marina.
- Improve the functional value of the lagoon.
- There are no signal flags or small-craft advisory.