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In pursuit of the big one, don't forget common courtesy
Docks & Harbors and TBMP encourage respect during Derby weekend

City and Borough of Juneau Docks & Harbors, in partnership with participating members of Tourism Best Management Practices (TBMP), encourages all marine user groups to exercise respect and common courtesy during the 71st Annual Golden North Salmon Derby this weekend, August 11-13.

Established in 1997, [TBMP](#) aims to minimize the impacts of tourism in a manner which addresses both resident and tourism industry concerns. Coordinator Kirby Day recently facilitated a meeting with charter boat and whale watch operators to remind the industry to follow the established voluntary [guidelines](#) regarding speed and wakes when transiting in the vicinity of recreational fishing vessels, especially during the upcoming Derby weekend. According to Day, operators support efforts to mitigate adverse impacts to all maritime users, especially local recreational boaters. Any member of the public who has a concern can contact the TBMP hotline at 586-6774 or hotline@traveljuneau.com.

Derby participants are kindly asked to reciprocate in-kind respect to other user groups by not transiting through whale viewing areas where charter vessels have congregated and are stopped. All mariners are reminded to follow the "[Rules of the Road](#)" for safe navigation.

For those trailering vessels to the fishing grounds, please be patient and mindful that all skill levels of boaters participate in this annual event. Please be respectful when engaging with others using any of the seven Docks & Harbors launch ramp facilities.

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For more information, contact Harbormaster David Borg at 789-0819 or david.borg@juneau.org.