Port Director Corner
Statter Harbor Parking Woes. Boaters trailering this summer at Statter Harbor should plan to be inconvenienced this year and in 2013. ADOT will be constructing a round-about at the intersection at DeHarts and Back Loop Road. In addition to the short term pain associated with road construction, traditional overflow parking along Back Loop Road will no longer be authorized by ADOT. Exasperating the parking challenges will be the Auke Bay Elementary School renovation project, resulting in no overflow parking at the school for the next two summers. The long term parking solution at Statter rests with Phase II of the Statter Harbor Master Plan which creates an additional 100 trailer parking spaces, scheduled to begin in October 2013, pending securing necessary permits. The US Army Corps of Engineers is currently soliciting public comments on the proposed development at Statter Harbor. If you believe the project would enhance the Juneau boating community, you may communicate your position to the USACE (see below). http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/reg/PN_Scanned/2012%20March/POA-2008-782.pdf http://statterharbor.com/
Remember the world is run by people who show up! The best advice for trailering at Statter is to plan ahead, bring your patience and, more importantly, consider using other ramp facilities.

The 3rd Annual Juneau Maritime Festival is scheduled for May 12th. JEDC is looking for volunteers to help with the planning and operations. Please contact Liza at 523-2335, if you can help out. www.juneaumaritimefestival.org

Waterfront Sale Permits
A lesser known responsibility of Docks & Harbors is to offer and oversee the issuance of cruise ship tour booth permits on CBJ owned properties. Eleven booths, at three locations, are provided by Docks & Harbors to provide an orderly manner to sell tours. Applicants must meet the permit eligibility requirements set out in 05 CBJAC 10.030 and must follow the Tour sales permit application requirements & comply with prohibitions and general operating requirements set out in 05 CBJAC 10.070. Click on the link below for the results of the outcry auction held February 23rd.
http://www.juneau.org/harbors/documents/PermitResultsInformation.doc

STATTER HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS
U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
ISSUANCE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has issued a Public Notice for permit authorizations necessary for construction of the boat launch ramp and upland parking areas associated with the Statter Harbor Improvements project:


CBJ Docks and Harbors is encouraging public participation during the public notice period. Comments should reach the Juneau Regulatory Field Office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers by March 30, 2012. All comments should include the Project Reference Number: POA 2008-782 (Auke Bay).

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It is important to provide substantive comments. Comments that are classified as editorial (a question or clarification) or non-substantive (merely expressing support or opposition to the project) generally have less bearing on the overall decision. Substantive comments are those that directly address the proposed action and include supporting reasons for the Responsible Official to consider” (36 CFR 215.2). Issue specific, substantive comments may include topics such as access, public safety, recreation, cost, congestion, habitat, demand, etc. Thank you for taking the time to comment!

More information is available at the CBJ Docks and Harbors website at http://www.juneau.org/harbors/ or the project website at www.statterharbor.com or by calling Kate McKinnon at SMD Engineers, Inc. at (907) 586-2093 or Erin Schmid in the Port Director's Office at (907) 586-0392.
Meet the Staff: Doug Liermann is a Harbor Officer at the Aurora Harbor office. He is originally from Schenectady, New York, and has worked for Docks and Harbors since April 2000. A letter of appreciation was received for Doug Liermann’s quick response and assistance the morning of February 2, 2012 when he notified the owner that the MV Snowbear was significantly down at the stern at her mooring in Harris Harbor. The owner indicated because of Mr. Liermann’s alertness and timely deployment of a pump he was able to prevent a serious loss and more extensive damage to the vessel and machinery. MV Snowbear’s owner said this is not the first time he has observed Officer Liermann’s professionalism and hard work on the floats, but in this case it was up close and personal. He wanted to make sure Mr. Liermann was recognized and commended for his good work. Please stop by and introduce yourself to Doug next time you are in the Aurora Harbor Office.

Two Assembly Adopted Resolutions
1. A Resolution Expressing Assembly support for AK House Bill 184 Relating to the Sharing of Tax Revenues From the Fisheries Business Tax, and Fishery Resource Landing Tax, With Municipalities was signed by the Mayor Bruce Botelho and adopted on January 30th, 2012. This Resolution would increase the municipalities share of the revenues generated from the fisheries business tax to 75% with the intent that the additional revenues would help maintain and improve Harbor facilities.

2. A Resolution Expressing Assembly Support for Full Funding for the State of Alaska Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program in the FY2013 State Capital Budget was signed by the Mayor Bruce Botelho and adopted on January 30th, 2012. This Resolution urges full funding by the Governor and the Alaska Legislature for the State of Alaska’s Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program in the FY2013 State Capital Budget in order to ensure enhanced safety and economic prosperity among Alaskan coastal communities. The Municipal Harbor Facility Grant Program is critical to the future success to replace Aurora Harbor.

Commercial Fisheries News

Boom Truck Usage Fees
CBJ Assembly approved the charge of $120/hour ($60/30 minutes thereafter) for obtaining full boom truck services from Docks & Harbors. The service will only be provided at properties owned by CBJ to avoid conflict with local private enterprises. Contact either Harbor Office to schedule this service.

Fishing Labor Laws
AK Department of Labor reminds commercial fisherman that hiring youth under 16 years of age is prohibited, unless the boat is operated by a parent.

Marine Invaders
Observing and reporting marine invasive species – If possible, note the location/GPS coordinates of the specimen and take a picture. Report findings to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game Invasive Species Program at dfg.dsf.invasivespecies@alaska.gov or 1-877-468-2748.

CY 2012 Launch Ramp Permits
Please get the word out to your friends trailering boats that 2012 launch permits are required and Harbor Officers will begin enforcement.

Lots of complaints about dogs this winter. Please be “harbor considerate” & pick-up.