

#### **U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**

# District Eleven North Region DIVISION COMMANDERS REPORT



To: Mary Kirkwood, Commodore 10 MAY 2020

**Cc: District Board and Staff** 

From: Bruce Martin, Division Commander Division: 11

# **HIGHLIGHTS/"3 UPS":**

- 1. Operations
- 2. NSBW
- 3. Time for training

#### **DETAILS:**

- 1. All patrols and two boat cancelled in line with D11 direction.
- 2. The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency (TRPA) has announced a phased approach to boating that discourages out-of-area visitation as part of state and local coordination on recreation guidelines for Lake Tahoe this season. Boats in possession of intact "Tahoe Only" Aquatic Invasive Species inspection stickers will be allowed on the lake. Inspection stations will not be opened yet for out of area or new boats (like mine). See <a href="https://www.trpa.org/lake-tahoe-boating-to-be-phased-in-percovid-orders/">https://www.trpa.org/lake-tahoe-boating-to-be-phased-in-percovid-orders/</a> for more details.
- 3. NSBW has been reduced to one proclamation from the City of South Lake Tahoe.
- 4. All members encouraged to engage in online training per the various emails that have come from D11n
- 5. Did our second division meeting in April via Zoom.

# **PROJECTS:**

- 1. Complete UPV PQSs. Now is a good time via phone/web.
- 2. Acquire more SOs
- 3. Division OPEX and Optrex

#### **CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES/OPPORTUNITIES:**

- 1. Stay at home has affected our work.
- 2. Still need some new SOs,
- 3. Succession planning,
- 4. and Recruitment!

# **AGENCY INTERACTION:**

1. Limited interaction with Station Lake Tahoe via Watchstander/Boat Crew Tom Henderson. This is not an in-person face to face activity. I also reached out (by telephone) to Station OIC to check in; he is working on our operational exercise, which we can schedule once restrictions are lifted.

#### **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:**

- Develop and conduct a Division 11 OPEX this year, as well as our OPTREX
- Encourage flotilla events to be division-wide events
- Work on AuxScout development
- Support PA functions and tell our story
- Don't break what's working

# **Photos**



SIP at home project – monkey's fist around tennis ball heaving line.
You can practice heaving line at home over and over and over and over and over and over with the same over and over with the same over and over an over an