To: District 11NR Board and Staff

Cc: District 11NR SO-PEs
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COVID-19: Per Admiral Gautier's D11NR March 15 stand-down order, all in-person PE activities are cancelled. Remote-taught PE classes are permitted and encouraged (see Special Interim COVID Remote-Ops Award below). However, the stand-down order prevents the required in-person proctoring of the closed-book exams for our two NASBLA-certified courses, ABS and BS&S.

On April 3, we notified all SO-PEs and FSO-PEs that one possible option is to teach ABS and BS&S remotely, but then have students complete the free, take-at-home "California Course for Safe Boating" exam in order to receive NASBLA credit. We also discussed this and other possible solutions on an April 7 conference call.

On April 15, the national E Directorate held a conference call that discussed best practices for teaching classes over the computer. One of the topics was the end-of-course exams for ABS and BS&S. We learned that the approvals for variations to the in-person proctor requirement will be on a state-by-state basis. As we receive updates, we will send them to the SO-PEs and FSO-PEs. If your division does not have a PE officer, please consider appointing one to receive these emails, if nothing else.

Special Interim COVID Remote-Ops Award: A special BZ goes to Flotilla 14 (Central Marin) and Flotilla 67 (Santa Cruz) for being the two flotillas with post-March 16 PE hours recorded in AuxData. (We realize there are other flotillas out there with hours to put into AuxData once the conversion to AuxData II is complete.)

Help Wanted: The PE department is looking to fill the following ADSO roles. A thank you to the Northwind staff for running our previous ad in the most recent edition and a thank you to those who have already begun responding to the call!

- ADSO-PE-MK: Act as a district-level resource for assisting in marketing PE courses.

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