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District 11 Northern Region**

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TO: COMO Curtis Han
CC: DISTRICT 11N BOARD AND STAFF
FROM: JOSEPH R Chavoen DSO Marine Safety
RE: District Staff Officer, Marine Safety Report, FEB 2023 (JAN 2023 forward)
DATE: 08 FEB 2023

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. **SMART GOALS for MSEP TEAM
and Div. SO-MS and ADSO-MS Reports**
2. **CDR Allegretti, Chief of Prevention Sector San Francisco and DSO-MS Ongoing Sector
San Francisco Overview of Activities; work with Sector San Francisco Prevention Chief
CDR Allegretti; scheduled Meeting including LT. N Keeney (IMD) re: New
Prevention/Response Training to Support Active Duty Mission Readiness.**
3. **Abandoned and Derelict Vessel Meeting 18 JAN 2023 1000-1200 – virtual
NOAA Salvage Solutions for ADV's Update**
- 5, **MS TRAINING PROGRAM– Schedule Implemented to include National Changes:**
MSAM PQS Program procedure Change Effective 01 APR 2023
UPVE PQS New Intro Procedure Course utilized in 2023
- 6, **Summary of Marine Safety Activities 4930.23 hrs*. Logged 2022.**

Challenges and Smart Goals for 2023:

Smart Goals:

**SMART GOAL #1: MSEP TEAM will Increase or Maintain 2022 Course and Training
Opportunities AND Active PARTICIPATING MSEP Member Instructors by 50% in 2023:**

**Measured Buy. More than the three 2022 Inst. Increased to 5 active Participating
Instructors in 2023**

SMART GOAL # 2: The MSEP TEAM will support the development and growth of members by increasing the number of new MEMBER QUALIFICATIONS and "AWARD" CERTIFICATIONS by 20% in 2023:

Measured by: There shall be an increase in either New MSEP Qualifications and/or Combined with "AWARD" CERTIFICATIONS by CDR. DIRAUX in 2023

A HUGHE BRAVO ZULU TO THE HIGHLY ACTIVE MEMBERS OF THE MSEP TEAM

ALL MSEP 2022 Originally Planned Goals were MET and EXCEEDED:

Thanks to the efforts of our Exceptional MS TEAM: ADSO-MS MEES and MSAM (Jeff Fite* 03-03) and several of our SO-MS (Lilli Ferguson* 113-01) and our FSO-MS (Morgan Swiggett* 12-91) efforts ALL PLANNED AND COURSE AND WORKSHOPS (Ref: JAN 2022 Planned Training and Events) were Met and EXCEEDED BY 30 SEP 2022. This Included Introducing and offering NEW 2022 FORMAT UPVE Training Program for Certification: The Updated UPVE Program now is comprised of 9 Independent Study Sessions, which were added and COMPLETED. * Consistently show Leadership within MSEP and Programs and Events.

MS Home Page "Content" with Continual Updates HAS BEEN Completed including: Deputy DSO-MS, All ADSO-MS,(pending info on new SO-MS) This includes the Addition of the 2022 Certifications (MEES and MSAM) Marine Safety Rooster - Staffing Positions and MSEP Members; for Distribution down MS Membership requesting Verifications.

The 2023 District MS Home Page Detail* was forwarded to Carl Henning DSO-CS for Updating.
*This is an Ongoing Task as D11N AUX Members continue to meet their Various MSEP Qualifications and Certifications

Additionally I would like to formally Thank the noted MSEP leader's as well as All our Active MSEP Members for their Dedication and Proactive Participation. This Dedication lead towards our Successful MSEP Year in 2023

Reports Received:

I am pleased to have regularly continued to receive reports and/or Updates from FSO-MS Morgan Swiggett, FSO-MS Carrie VanDeBoom Div 10, former SO-MS Lilli Ferguson Div. 01; Jeff Fite Div. 03; Manny Rimeriez USCG (CIV) with CFV updated data;, and Michael Mitchel ADSO-MS UPV/CFV, and I always appreciate the support and input from our ASC Sue Fry. Thank you All for All that you Do to Help us have met, and in 2022 Year Exceed, our MSEP Mission Goals .

STILL ALWAYS WORTHY TO NOTE: BZ to Manny Rimeriez: Outstanding MS Accomplishment "Organized a Team Approach" to conduct CFV's (Commercial Fishing Vessels): Manny with

Michael Mitchell organized a **Team of 24 – Certified CFVE's** who over a 4 Day Period. Covered Ports of Monterey, Moss Landing, Santa Cruz, Half Moon Bay, Bodega Bay, Fort Bragg, and the Humbolt Bay AOR: This Activity resulted in:

34 Dockside Exams, 24 CFVS Decals Issued, Two Safety Spot Checks along with 57 Safety Discussions with Fishing Vessel Operators. **BZ to ALL Involved in this Activity.**

My Thanks to the current ADSO-MS's and most SO-MS Officers who continued to work diligently towards ensuring 2022 Has Proven to be as successful a year for the MS Department in 2022 as it was in 2021, In Fact they have Exceeded 2021

CDR Allegretti Chief of Prevention S. F. Sector Quaterly Meetings: CDR Allegretti and I will be meeting again in APR with Lt. Kenny and other Staff Officer's as was requested that we meet more frequently with himself, and more frequently as may be needed with his Staff Officers and the myself the AUX DSO-MS. Which has taken place regularly as Reported monthly by your DSO-MS, and has led to positive working relationships as well as the development in process of several new Opportunities for Auxiliarist to become Certified by the Gold Side to fill and enhance Sector San Francisco Manpower Readiness. These shall include Mission Support Roles, after appropriate Training and Certification's currently under development with LT Kenny and myself. Upon Completion for both the Gold Side and then Auxiliary Senior Leadership, Supporting Mission's of Sector San Francisco's, for Approval and Implementation.

I continue to look forward to working, as previously as Noted in my prior District Board and Staff Report, with LT Natasha Kenney on YBI. LT Kenney and I have been working on, with her CDR's, Chief of Response, approval, on the development of **"Potential" Enhanced Training or Auxiliary Pollution Responders for IMD.**

We have Developed a comprehensive "Updated" **Specific to Sector San Francisco**, review of Pollution Responder PQS Programs (Active Duty/Reserves and Auxiliary) for future active utilization within Sector San Francisco "Qualified" Auxiliarist Support. Program Certification of Auxiliarist's will be by Active Duty/Goldside. .In this year 2023, I hope to begin meetings to develop **"Sector San Francisco AOR" PQS/Training for Auxiliarist Cleared as "Eyes only" Crew members on USCG SF AOR Patrols; Along with "On-Call" Assistance with Aids to Navigation Auxiliarist to evaluate Notices to USCG.**

I informed CDR Allegretti that I Reported on his Interests of Expanded AUX Support, at All D11N USCG Auxiliary Board and Staff meetings. This being so I Provide current and accurate Information, as may be needed, to the D11N Commodore. District Chief of Staff and the D11N Board and Fellow Staff Officers.

**Sector San Francisco Commander CAPT LAM and Sector San Francisco
Prevention Chief CDR Allegretti: 27 AUG Bodega Bay Community Outreach
Event.**

CDR Allegretti expressed to me, and I agree, that this Bodega Bay Community “Takeaway” is most likely similar and worthwhile for consideration for our entire AOR’s Communities.

The Community was clearly asking that We of the AUXILIARY be more visible and present. and Yes I know many of us are. Not only inspecting various classifications of Vessels.....But Also offering Courses on All Aspects of Boating Safety They are Inviting us to be more Present supporting them with All forms Safety Education as well as in this particular circumstance, supporting US Coast Guard Station Bodega Bay... Let's Not let them down .

I will also Repeat my Agreement with CDR Allegretti’s Remarks to me in our follow-up After this Community meeting....”That if One Community we serve is asking for our increased Presence and Assistance. So likely are All of the Communities we serve as Auxiliarist”.

Abandoned and Derelict Vessels

The next ADV Quarterly WorkGroup Meeting will be held Virtually/Cal State Lands Commission, Hurcules on 19 APR 2023 from 1000 to 1200 with a notice of Invitation sent to all previous recorded Attendees By Andrew

NOAA Continues to produce Monthly ADV SALVAGE SOLUTIONS UPDATES on the Recycling of ADV’s these can be located for review at SalvagingSolutions@noaa.gov. I highly recommend their review for those interested in the partnerships developed in Rhode Island for Cost efficient ADV Recycling,

Note: The ADV WG Meeting of 19 OCT 2022 included a presentation worth repeating here:

CA Product Stewardship Council – Marine Flare Disposal Programs – Ms. Yalin Li

How to provide events for site safe, free, and proper Marine Flare Disposal...Those interested in hosting an event can apply @ <https://www.calpsc.org/cpsc-marine-flare-projects>

Note: The power point presentation is available through the above State Lands Commission - Mr. Andrew Kershen.

TRAINING PROGRAM (2023 Summary) - Marine Safety and Environmental Program

It is Understood through our experience that Marine Safety and Environmental Protection programs are many of our Auxiliary ongoing local level (community as well as District) activities.

We are tasked with the goal of Informing and Educating our membership and the Public, of the needs/opportunities for growth and participation within the Auxiliaries' MSEP Programs.

We Recognize the seriousness of the PREVENTION DEPARTMENT'S focus on The Auxiliary for ongoing Support of the U S Coast Guard through numerous "critical" activities including but not limited to: Uninspected Passenger Vessel Examinations, Commercial Fishing Vessel Examinations, Marine Safety CG Support, Sea Partners Pollution Response and Aquatic and Invasive Species, Dock Walkers and The American Waterways Watch to name a few...

We are very pleased that ALL of our Planned 2022 Marine Safety and Environmental Protection Trainings and Workshops were Successfully Completed as Planned

MSEP TRAINING CALENDAR 2023:

(Always subject to adjustments to accommodate National as well other program needs throughout the year).

These being now with the Addition of the 2023 UPVE Education/Training Introductory Workshops We are kicking 2023 off with the Following at the 21-22 JAN PCA Fair:

- *Introduction to Marine Safety D11N*
- *Aquatic and Invasive Species Workshop*
- *Shoreline Cleanup Events - How to Organize and Complete*

Our Calendar for 2023 will be formally released and posted in FEB 2023: to include:

At D-Train we are offering the following:

- * **Introduction to Marine Safety D11N**
- * **NEW COURSE FORMATS How to complete ONLINE PQS for MSAM and UPVE .**

NOTE: UPVE 2023: We are Offering A "Kickoff" Workshop at D-Train , where-in we Assist Participants with "HOW TO" Register and Complete the Online Sessions Having Completed 2 Sessions during the UPVE Workshop – Encouraging them to Form their own UPVE Study Groups.

We had a very Successful Pilot of our 2023 UPVE Training and Support Program in late 2022: BZ Jeff Fite, 03-03, Deputy DSO-MS / ADSO-MS MEES and MSAM as mentioned above, Jeff with Michael Initiated the **2022 Version "Intro to UPVE Study Group". This Pilot, 9 Session Study Group was Completed. **The Successful** Participants are currently working on PQS Signoffs for Vessel Examinations and their UPVE Designation through Michael Mitchel. Congratulations to Jeff Fite, Larry Stanton and Joseph Chavoen**

Station Rio Vista JUN 2023: The MEES Workshop (with potential MSAM or UPVE Intro)

Annual Station Rio Vista MS Workshop 10 JUN 2023 – pending Confirmation

*** MEES and NEW Online MSAM PQS Plus NEW Online UPVE, SAT 10 JUNE:**

Held At Station Rio Vista. ALL Day MSEP Workshop, with Welcoming OIC Chief Bennett.

*** FALL PCA Fair SEP – U.S. G. G. Base Alameda: Potential for MSEP to Provide :**

*** SEA PARTNERS and Invasive and Aquatic Species workshop**

*** Introduction to Marine Safety D11N**

*** INTRO to MEES PQS Workshop**

2023 additional including Online Course Offerings to be Scheduled

Throughout THE 2023 Year leading to the year we will continue to offer: Intro to MEES, Shoreline Cleanup, ADV Presentations and American Waterway Watch etc.

The MSEP Training Program for this year 2023 will somewhat Replicate last years successful Sessions.

DOCKWALKERS: We strongly encourage participation with, support of this program and it's growth and awareness both within and out of the Auxiliary. We shall continue working with the CA Coastal Commission Division of Boating and Waterways supporting and promoting the Dockwalker Program

The 2023 DOCKWALKERS TRAININGS FOR NOR CAL HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO ALL ADSO-MS, AND SO-MS FOR DISRECT FORWARDING TO MEMBERSHIP, THIS IS BECAUSE THE THE REGISTRATION INFORMATION IS DIRECLY EMBEDDED IN THE ORIGINAL NOTICE, IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED INFORMATION ON THE 2023 NORTHERN REGION DOCKWALKER PROGRAMS PLEASE CONTACT VIVIAN MATUCK AT HER NUMBER NOTED BELOW.

FYI: COURSES SCHEDULED ARE AS FOLLOWS:

NEW DOCKWALKER TRAININGS 1000 1245:

SAT 04 MAR VIRTUAL /, SAT 01 APR VIRTUAL/,SAT 29 APR IN PERSON OAKLAND YACHT CLUB

SAT 06 MAY IN PERSON SACROMENTO MARINA /SAT 17 JUN VIRTUAL

DOCKWALKER REFRESHER PROGRAMS 1000 – 1130:

SAT 22 APR VIRTUAL / THURS MAY 11 1730- 1900

2023 CA Boater Kits will be Available - Contact Vivian.Matuk@coastal.ca.gov for future Registrations and ordering Clean Boater Kits. Vivian Matuk: Environmental Boating Program Manager, California State Parks, California Coastal Commission 415 904 6905 wk cp 916 764-0989

<u>Marine Safety Activity, Summary for:</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
All Commercial Fishing Vessel Exams	178	275	tabulating	
Uninspected Passenger Vessel Exams	28	26		"
Ferry Boat Exams	0	0		
Com Fishing Vessel /UPV Outreach	320 hours	246	"	
Marine Safety CG Support	560 hours	2270	"	
Sea Partners	290 hours	329	"	
AWW	34 hours	62	"	
MS Training	810 hours	789	"	
Abandoned Derelict Vessel Surveys	10	39	"	
Regional Exam Support	26 hours	28	"	
Facility Inspections	0 hours	3	"	
Total Hours	2437 hrs.	4067	4930.68 hrs.	_____

(NOTE (*) Total MS Support Data has not been completely calculated and transfered for 2023 due to date Transfer error This Data will be complete as of MAR 2023 Report

Respectfully Submitted:

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