



# THE CHANGING TIDE

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## MOBILE SEWAGE

## Boat-to-Boat Services

Mobile boat-to-boat services for bilge and sewage pumpout, steam cleaning, and oil changes provide an alternative to bilge sewage pumpouts and oil change services at fixed locations in marinas. There are numerous environmental benefits from these services when they are conducted appropriately, including using spill-proof oil extraction, soapless bilge cleaning, and proper waste management and disposal techniques. Where available, these services can be more convenient for boaters, since they may reduce the need to have boats hauled out for service, to bring boats to fixed facilities, or to conduct their own maintenance and then transport the wastes to recycling or disposal facilities.



Mobile sewage boat-to-boat services are in several areas of our state. The following list will assist you in finding a mobile service to support your clean boating practices\*. If you know of any additional mobile services, please feel free to let us know!

To print a list of mobile boat-to-boat services for boaters visit: [www.coastal.ca.gov/ccbn/sewage.html#pumpout](http://www.coastal.ca.gov/ccbn/sewage.html#pumpout).

Mobile Services	Phone Number	County(ies) or Geographic Areas Served
All Bay Marine Service	(619) 298-4568	San Diego
BayGreen Marine Sanitation Services	(415) 621-1393	San Francisco, San Mateo, Contra Costa and Alameda
Bay Pump LLC	(619) 523-1167	San Diego and Mission Bay
Diesel System Marine Service	(800) 799-9121	Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego
Dolphin Marine and Pump Out	(714) 296-8531	Huntington Harbor, Los Alamitos & Shoreline Marina
Happy As a Clam Enterprises	(805) 674-5820	Sacramento and San Joaquin Counties
Head Honcho Mobile Marine Pumpout	(925) 429-4490	Alameda, Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Sacramento and Solano Counties
Honey Bucket	(310) 316-6861	Redondo Beach and Marina del Rey
Marine Service Corps	(510) 629-4185	San Francisco, San Mateo, Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, Napa, Sonoma, Marin and Santa Clara.
Mobile Pro Marine Services	(619) 342-4477	San Diego San Diego Bay and San Diego County coastline.
MT Head Marine Sanitation Service	(650) 483-5689	Alameda, Marin (Richardson Bay) and San Mateo
Pepe La 'Poo's Pumpout	(619) 272-8052	San Diego Bay and San Diego County coastline.
Popeye's Pumpout Co.	(310) 822-8312	Marina del Rey, Port of Los Angeles
Royal Flush Pumping Service	(888) 656-2551	Orange County to Los Angeles County
Rusty Bucket	(805) 278-0268	Ventura Harbor and Channel Islands Harbor
Septic Brothers	(209) 329-7771	Contra Costa and San Joaquin Counties (Antioch Bridge through Walnut Grove)

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# Southern California Chapter



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STEWARDS OF SANTA MONICA BAY



## Coastal Cleanup Day, Marina del Rey

On a gorgeous Saturday morning of September 25th, 2010, a new record of 14,131 volunteers came together in an effort to rid their local communities and waterways of ocean bound trash. Thanks to the coordinating effort of Heal the Bay, the nonprofit environmental organization responsible for organizing the event for all of Los Angeles County, Coastal Cleanup Day was an enormous success. Volunteers gathered at cleanup sites throughout 101 miles of Los Angeles County and picked up an impressive 103,524 pounds of trash and recyclables, preventing over 50 tons of trash from ending up in our ocean.

Coastal Cleanup Day started in 1985 as a way to combat the increasing amount of trash along our shorelines. Since then, the program has expanded and grown tremendously. It has become an international effort and is now the largest volunteer day in the world. Coastal Cleanup Day is a fun way for individuals, neighborhoods, schools, and volunteer groups to get involved and demonstrate their commitment to healthy water.

Although Coastal Cleanup Day involves removing trash from beaches, waterways, and inland communities, it is also about educating the public about the global marine debris problem. People who live inland may feel disconnected from the beach and do not realize that a shocking 80% of marine debris comes from inland communities. We are all part of the problem, whether we realize it or not, and by using education and awareness about marine debris and its effects, we can empower ourselves to become part of the solution.

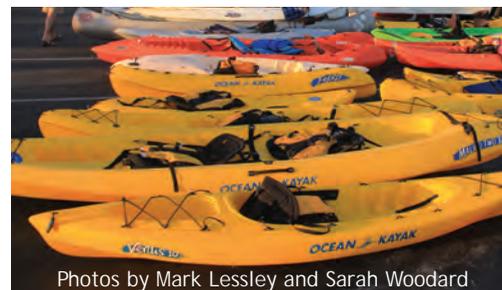
The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation hosted the cleanup site in Marina del Rey Harbor, the largest pleasure craft harbor in the United States. For the sixth consecutive year, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation was proud to accommodate more volunteers than ever before! Thanks to the kayak donations from UCLA Marina Aquatic Center, Boat Rentals of America, Boys & Girls Club of Venice, Sport Chalet, Marina Harbor Anchorage, and several individual donors, we were able to provide kayaks for a new record of 135 volunteers. Equipped with nets, gloves, and compostable bags, volunteers were able to collect a total of

327 pounds of trash and recyclables from Marina del Rey. Our “bravest and luckiest” volunteers were able to make a direct impact on water quality in the marina by finding and removing several bags of dog waste, with a combined weight of over 10 pounds!

All aspects of the cleanup, including the special giveaway raffle and delicious food were provided as in-kind donations. Thanks to Chipotle and The Counter for the generous lunch, and to Starbucks and Panera Bread for the morning breakfast.

The giveaway raffle was supported through donations from Adventure 16, Trader Joe's, Islands, The Cheesecake Factory, Ralphs, Peet's Coffee & Tea, Hot Dog on a Stick, Sea Tow, S & K Dive Service, Library Alehouse, Six Taste, and ZJ Boarding House.

We hope you continue being a part of the global effort to clean up our oceans. There are many ways to get involved and it is those everyday actions of each and every one of us that will create positive change for the future.



Photos by Mark Lessley and Sarah Woodard





## Honey Pot Day, a success story

During the 2010 boating season, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation provided free mobile pumpout service and educational seminars to over 250 boaters in the Port of Los Angeles and Marina del Rey Harbors in a new program called Honey Pot Day.

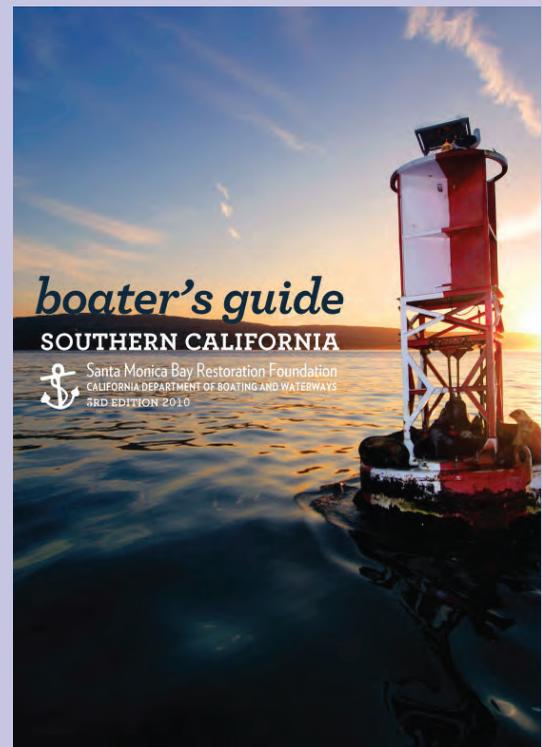
The Honey Pot Day program began in the summer of 2009 as a pilot program offered to boaters in Marina del Rey. Boaters were offered free mobile pumpout service, Clean Boating Kits, and environmental education sessions in exchange for completing an anonymous California Clean Boating Survey. The information collected in these surveys help to improve our programs and better orient our education and outreach efforts. The program outreached to over 40 boaters in the Marina del Rey harbor, and helped create the buzz that made Honey Pot Day such a success in the 2010 boating season.

With funding from California Department of Boating and Waterway's Clean Vessel Act grant program, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation was able to expand its' efforts and offer complimentary mobile pumpout service to the boaters of the Port of Los Angeles, in addition to boaters in Marina del Rey. Thanks to increased media attention and footwork of project lead, Michelle Kearney, over 500% more boaters participated this year than in 2009. This media effort was made possible by The Log, The Argonaut, and the Port of Los Angeles Environmental Management Division and Community Relations Division. Distribution of this flyer was made possible by enthusiastic marina managers, dockmasters, Port of Los Angeles Police Department, yacht clubs, community shops, and several boater association groups.

Honey Pot Day program participants were educated on the water quality issues of their harbors, including a discussion of bacteria total maximum daily loads (TMDLs), and the effects raw sewage can have on marina waters. Boaters were given a clean boating kit, which included a 100% recycled cotton tote, stainless steel water bottle, oil absorbent, and several educational materials provided by the California Department of Boating and Waterways. In addition to the 45-minute educational sessions offered to boaters, mobile pumpout companies, Royal Flush Pumpout Service and Popeye's Pumpout Service, provided free mobile pumpout service to all program participants.



Starting in May 2011, Honey Pot Day will be offered to boaters in Marina del Rey, Port of Los Angeles, and King Harbor. To learn more about the Honey Pot Day program and upcoming program locations, please contact Michelle Kearney at [mkearney@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mkearney@waterboards.ca.gov) / (213) 576-6648.



At last, the much-awaited cruiser's guide, The "Southern California Boater's Guide, 3rd Edition", is available to the public! The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation, with grant funds from California Department of Boating and Waterways Clean Vessel Act grant, is proud to announce the release of a newly updated and hugely popular "Southern California Boater's Guide, 3rd Edition." The objective in creating this Guide is to provide boaters with important information in a format that is organized by harbor and is easy to use.

This guide offers valuable information about the numerous recreational opportunities available within the fifteen Southern California harbors, conveniently features boat safety and proper maintenance techniques, and offers environmentally sound boating tips. It also provides custom maps and practical harbor information, such as how to obtain a guest slip, location of waste and pumpout facilities, entrance obstacles, and local rules and ordinances.

To order copies, please contact Michelle Kearney at [mkearney@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:mkearney@waterboards.ca.gov) / (213) 576-6648.

# California Delta Chapter



## Wear It California!

## Life Jacket Campaign



Inflatable Life Jackets at Lake Natoma. Photo by California Department of Boating and Waterways.

Observed life jacket wear rates in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta (Delta) continue to increase. Wear rates on the Delta rose from six percent in 2006 to 15 percent in 2009. This increase can be attributed to the California Department of Boating and Waterways' Wear It California! life jacket campaign.



The Wear It California! Pavilion. Photo by California Department of Boating and Waterways.

The Wear It California! campaign is designed to educate boaters about the newer, more comfortable styles of life jackets and to encourage life jacket wear among boaters. Throughout the summer, campaign crew members distribute inflatable life jackets to boaters who pledge to always wear a life jacket while boating. Nearly one thousand life jackets are distributed each year. Other components of the campaign include intensive radio announcements, a campaign Web site and weekend marina events.

Partnerships with public and private entities have also had a positive impact on the campaign. Partners include the National Safe Boating Council (NSBC), US Coast Guard (USCG) Office of Auxiliary Boating Safety, Bass Pro Shops, West Marine, Full Throttle Water Sports, Onyx Outdoor, Stockton Ports, Radio Disney, Togo's, the USCG Auxiliary, and marinas and law enforcement agencies. Sacramento's KHTK radio personalities Sep Hendrickson of California Sportsmen, Kent Brown of Ultimate Bass and all time Western U.S. fishing tournament money winner Gary Dobyms are the main campaign spokespersons.

DBW hopes to continue reaching even more boaters next summer with the life jacket message and decrease the number of fatalities that take place in the Delta.

In 2006, the Delta region was identified by the USCG, NSBC and Boat U.S. to pilot a national Wear It! campaign to encourage life jacket wear. Based on the successes of Wear It California!, all 50 states have since adopted their own Wear It! campaigns. The campaign has even generated international interest and has been adopted by Puerto Rico, New South Wales and Canada.

For more information on the Wear It California! campaign, visit [www.WearItCalifornia.com](http://www.WearItCalifornia.com).

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The Wear It California! Boat with Inflatable Billboard. Photo by California Department of Boating and Waterways.



The Delta Chapter is implemented with the support of Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Solano, and Yolo Counties; City of Stockton; California Coastal Commission; and California Department of Boating and Waterways.

# California Delta Chapter



*Destination Series:*

## Downtown Stockton Marina - "The Pearl of Stockton"



Stockton Marina Lighted Canopies. Photo by Bellingham Docks.

If you have not had a chance to visit the new Downtown Stockton Marina in San Joaquin County you are missing out on a wonderful experience. It is, not only exquisite, but it is also a great destination point in the Delta and in the heart of Downtown Stockton. The Downtown Stockton Marina opened on November 1, 2009 and is located right next to Weber Point, which is the home of the Stockton Asparagus Festival. The Marina is part of the revitalization for the City of Stockton and was developed through a California Department of Boating and Waterways grant.

The marina consists of sixty six slips, forty eight covered 50-foot slips, twelve 60-foot slips and six 80-foot slips. There is also 1,400 linear feet of guest dock. The canopy shades over the docks light up at night which creates a beautiful atmosphere. Boaters can also dock their boat on a Friday and walk five minutes to the downtown Farmers Market. This is the only marina in the area where boaters can dock their vessel and attend a concert, visit the Bob Hope Theater, check out a ballgame or hockey game, and dine at many local restaurants.

Each dock at the marina has a sewage pump out facility and the marina South Guest Dock also has a pump out facility, which was funded by the California Department of Boating and Waterways. This pumpout is open 24-hours at no charge to the public.

Other services provided by this marina include: valet launching service, transient berths/tie-ups, restaurant, and a picnic area.

The marina has hosted many local yacht clubs since its opening. The Asparagus Festival brought many clubs as well as the 4th of July celebration. The local Stockton Ports baseball team put on a fabulous fire work show for the event. Currently the marina is working on the December Lighted Boat Parade.

Approximately 1.2 miles from the marina is the Morelli Park boat launch ramp, which consists of a four lane launch ramp, restroom, parking, and picnic facilities. Morelli Park has hosted rowing events for the University of Pacific and several Bass Tournaments, including the ESPN Bass Masters Tour.

The marina is surrounded by the beautiful Joan Darrow Promenade, which is a great location to come jog, walk, or fish. Local Stockton residents enjoy the promenade on a daily basis.

For more information or to schedule a tour call (209) 462-4200 or visit [www.stocktongov.com/redevelopment/downtownmarina.cfm](http://www.stocktongov.com/redevelopment/downtownmarina.cfm).

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# Northern California Chapter



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2011 DOCKWALKER WINNERS



Mission Bay USCG Auxiliary Flotilla Dockwalker in Action. Photo by Mission Bay Flotilla 1-5.

During the 2010 boating season, the California Department of Boating and Waterways and the California Coastal Commission's Boating Clean & Green Program conducted 11 Dockwalker trainings throughout the state, in partnership with the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Foundation, Keep the Delta Clean Program, City and County of San Francisco Department of the Environment, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, U.S. Power Squadron, and many more organizations.

Dockwalkers are volunteers who inspire and educate boaters and other recreators to be safe and environmentally sound while boating. Volunteers distribute clean boating kits while visiting marinas, boat launch ramps, boat shows, and events. Boaters receive a kit after completing a boater surveys and pledge. This questionnaire helps to identify gaps in environmental services and improve future education efforts. Over 150 new volunteers participated in our trainings, distributed 8,920 boater kits, and donated over 600 volunteer hours. The questionnaire response rate was 49%, which is a very high number for these types of surveys.

Thanks to all who participated! To learn how to become a Dockwalker and sign up for future free trainings, please contact Vivian Matuk at (415) 904-6905 / [vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov)

### 2011 Dockwalker Hall of Fame

The following 18 Dockwalkers administered and returned the most boater surveys and were the 2011 Dockwalker winners! Awards included West Marine jackets, See's Candies Gift Certificates, Aquarium of The Pacific and Aquarium of The Bay Tickets, Trader Joe's gift baskets, and Starbucks coffee. All awards were graciously donated to the program.

1. Charlie Duncan 432, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 3-9
2. Richard Daybell 371, Alamitos Sail and Power Squadron
3. Mel Widawski 263, South Coast Corinthian Yacht Club
4. Lauren Gilligan 215, Save Our Shores
5. Jim Goff 205, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
6. Chris Poehlman: 206, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
7. Roger Haynes: 200, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
8. Jacqueline Archer: 194, Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership
9. Paige Norberg: 194, Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership
10. Winston Bumpus: 113, Sequoia Yacht Club
11. Wylisa Santos: 106, Peninsula Yacht Club
12. Priscilla Minkel: 97, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
13. Kimberly Cromwell: 94, Contra Costa boater
14. Kenneth Pope: 74, Coronado Cays Yacht Club
15. Nancy Marino: 73, Fairwind Yacht Club
16. Fred Goodwin: 64, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary/PICYA
17. Ray Jackson: 61, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
18. Ann Hardinger: 56, Berkeley Marina

## Get Ready to Order the Newly Updated San Francisco Bay Area Clean Boating Map

The City and County of San Francisco Department of the Environment, the California Department of Boating and Waterways & California Coastal Commission's Boating Clean and Green Program are proud to announce the release of a newly updated and hugely popular "San Francisco Bay Area Clean Boating Map." In its first 2009 edition 11,000 copies were distributed. This free map features locations of marina-based pollution prevention services such as sewage and bilge pumpouts, port-a-potty-dump stations, oil absorbent distribution and collection, used oil filter collection and used oil collection services. The map also includes information on mobile boat-to-boat services and helpful information about clean and safe boating practices. The map covers the nine Bay Area counties. This map will be available in February, 2011. Place your order now by contacting Vivian Matuk at (415) 904-6905 / [vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov](mailto:vmatuk@coastal.ca.gov)



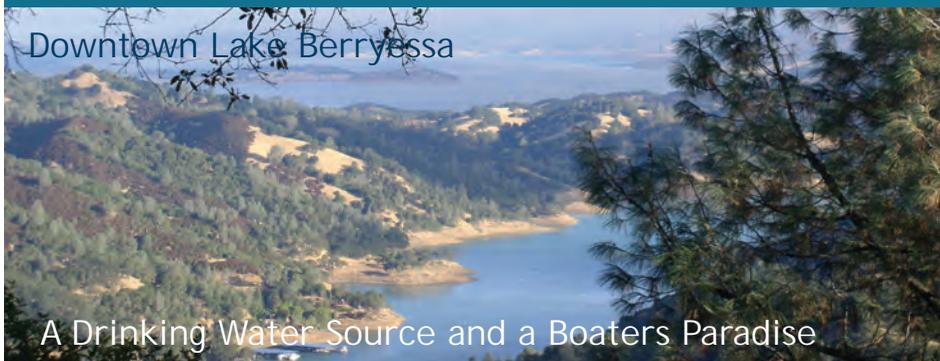
San Francisco Bay Clean Boating Map

# Northern California Chapter



## Destination Series:

### Downtown Lake Berryessa



A Drinking Water Source and a Boaters Paradise

Lake Berryessa is the largest lake in Napa County and is located approximately 80 miles north of San Francisco. Each year, some 1,500,000 people visit the lake to boat, swim and explore its shores.

If you come to the Lake, you may cross paths with “Bilgee”. Bilgee is a giant bilge pad also known as “The Protector of Clean Waterways.” Bilgee is the Lake’s Watershed Partnership’s mascot, and often visits the Lake during the weekends in the summer to remind everyone that more than 428,000 people drink the water that comes from Lake Berryessa and that the region’s fish, wildlife & plants depend on clean water from the lake to survive. Bilgee also gives out prizes to those who promise to keep the lake clean.

The Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership (LBWP) was formed in 1999 to educate lake users about the value of the resource. The Solano Resource Conservation District manages the LBWP’s Summer Boater Outreach Program, which involves two paid interns who work at the lake each weekend of the summer. In 2010, interns spoke one-on-one with 3,165 people and distributed 1,231 bilge pads and clean boating information. Interns are trained as Dockwalkers by the California Department of Boating and Waterways & Coastal Commission’s Boating Clean and Green Program and educate lake visitors about threats to water quality and invasive species, distribute boater kits, and exchange free bilge pads with boaters. Boaters may pick up a free pad and dispose of used pads at Markley Cove Resort, Pleasure Cove Marina, and Capell Public Launch Ramp.

The Lake is also a Coastal Cleanup Day location. In September 2010, over a hundred volunteers from Napa, Solano, and Yolo Counties attended the 26th Annual Coastal Cleanup, which occurred this year at the South end of the lake and the Pope Canyon Bridge area in the Northwest part of Berryessa. Eight hundred pounds of trash and 1,800 pounds of recyclables were removed from the lake and shoreline.

Some facilities and services found at the Lake include:

**Chaparral Cove:** boat launching; RV & tent camping

**Oak Shores & Smittle Creek:** hiking and picnic sites with BBQ grills, 2 hand launches for non-motorized boats

**Capell Valley Public Launch Ramp:** free launch ramp; Lupine Shores: camping and launching

**Pleasure Cove Marina:** houseboat, jet ski and cabin rentals, tent & RV camping, day use picnic area, boat slips, fueling service, sewage pumpout, used oil collection and oil absorbent exchange

**Markley Cove Resort:** cabin, boat and jet ski rentals, a convenience store, food service sewage pumpout, used oil collection and oil absorbent exchange, boat slips and fueling services.

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## ABOUT LAKE BERRYESSA

⚓ 23 miles long at longest point

⚓ 3 miles wide at widest point

⚓ 165 miles of shoreline

⚓ 275 feet deep (maximum)

⚓ 1.6 million acre-feet of water



Map prepared by: Dorene Smith (California Department of Boating and Waterways), Vivian Matuk (California Department of Boating and Waterways & California Coastal Commission), Marianne Butler (Solano RCD), and Kathleen Robins (Solano RCD) on behalf of the Lake Berryessa Watershed Partnership



Bilgee and a child at Oak Shores Day Use Area. Photo by Solano Resource Conservation District.



What to do in case of an accidental oil spill:

- ◆ If you see or accidentally spill oil into the marine environment, immediately, call the National Oil Spill Hotline at (800) OILS911 (424-8802). Also, notify your marina manager or dockmaster. They may have an emergency oil spill response kit on hand.
- ◆ No one is perfect and accidental spills are bound to happen. For this reason, always keep oil-only absorbents handy to wipe up spills. Remember, saturated oil-absorbents are hazardous wastes and must be disposed of at the marina, the fuel dock, or at a hazardous waste disposal facility. These days, there are hundreds of oil absorbent exchange sites in California. Check if there is a location near you and drop off your spent absorbents in exchange for a new one.
- ◆ If gasoline is spilled during fueling, notify the fuel attendant and immediately step away from the area.
- ◆ Never apply soaps to disperse the sheen. Soap may appear to clean up the mess, but this is far from the truth. Soaps merely break up the oil into smaller droplets and sink below the surface, making it more difficult, if not impossible, to remove. It's also illegal and violators are subject to heavy fines and penalties.
- ◆ If possible and safe, stop the source of the spill and extinguish all ignition sources.
- ◆ To prevent spills from occurring, spill-proof your oil changes and recycle your used oil and oil filters.
- ◆ If you change the engine oil yourself, use a closed system such as a portable vacuum oil change pump drained into a container that can be closed to prevent spills during transfer of oil. These pumps are available at most marine supply stores.
- ◆ Do not mix used oil with other waste. Keep it segregated for recycling. Recycle used motor oil, oil filters, and fuel filters at a used oil recycling facility.
- ◆ For recycling locations for used oil, oil filters, and oil absorbents, visit [www.Earth911.org](http://www.Earth911.org) or call 1-800-CLEANUP for a collection site near you.

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