# Public Input Meeting Port of San Diego In-Water Hull Cleaning Regulations





## **Agenda**

- 1. Welcome / Participation Guidelines
- 2. Meeting Purpose / Objectives
- 3. Proposed Changes
- 4. Question and Answer
- 5. Next Steps & Schedule



## **Meeting Rules and Guidelines**

#### **General rules of conduct:**

- All perspectives are valued
- 2. One person speaks at a time
- 3. No perspective should dominate conversations
- 4. Meeting attendees treat others, and others' perspectives with respect
- Collaborative problem solving is encouraged



## **Purpose of Public Meetings**

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Share the proposed changes to the In-Water Hull Cleaning Ordinance Amendment and In-Water Hull Cleaning Permit Amendment

#### **Objectives**

- Discuss proposed changes and public comment period
- Question and Answer Session
- Discuss next steps



# Copper: Why is it a concern?

- Accumulates in water, sediments, marine plants, and animals causing long term toxicity
- Changes the food web in the marine environment by eliminating certain species

# Water Quality Objectives: What are they?

- Regulatory thresholds for pollutants and drive the "why" for TMDL/ water quality impairments
- Based on California Toxics Rule (CTR)
  - Water Quality Objective is chronic exposure limit of 3.1 ug/L



# **Proposed Changes**

- 1. BMP Standards
- 2. Tracking, Record Keeping, and Enforcement
- 3. Training





## 1. BMP Standards

#### **Proposed Changes:**

- Align with Department of Pesticide Regulation Frequency Recommendations
  - No more than 1x/month cleaning of copper based AFPs
- Use of less abrasive hand tools (soft pile carpet, microfiber cloth, or white pads only; plastic scrapers only when necessary)
- Prohibition of mechanical tools
- Prohibition of cleaning for a 3-month period post-paint application
- Prohibition of cleaning ablative paints

Regulations apply ONLY to Copper Antifouling Paints



## 2. Tracking, Record Keeping and Enforcement

#### **Proposed Changes:**

- Record Keeping Requirements
  - IWHC Companies: logs with information on cleaning frequency and paint types of each customer
  - Marinas and Yacht Clubs: logs with information on cleaning frequency of vessels in your facility and Diver visits
  - Boatyards: Tracking and record keeping for hull paint application
  - Vessel Owners: Paint certificate from boatyard



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### 2. Enforcement

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- District's enforcement process: may inspect and review field activities and records from IWHC Companies, marinas and yacht clubs, boat yards and vessel owners for enforcement purposes
  - Field inspections of cleaning activities, Permits, and onsite review of records
  - Audit (paper) review of tracking logs
- Citations, fines, Permit suspension/revocation



# 3. Training

#### **Proposed Changes:**

- Proposed IWHC Permit Amendment changes to training requirements, include:
  - Port contracted service provider to provide training for all divers
  - Training of all divers required annually
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# 3. Training

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## Port Need: Service Provider for Training

- Port will be contracting a Service Provider for Training
- Training Needs Include:
  - Knowledge and Specialization in cleaning various paint types, District BMP requirements, prohibitions and restrictions; tracking and record keeping
  - Conduct annual training and additional on-call training for new divers; holding multiple trainings a year
  - Training to learning outcomes
  - Using effectiveness mechanisms with pre- and post-training evaluation



## **Facilitated Question and Answer**

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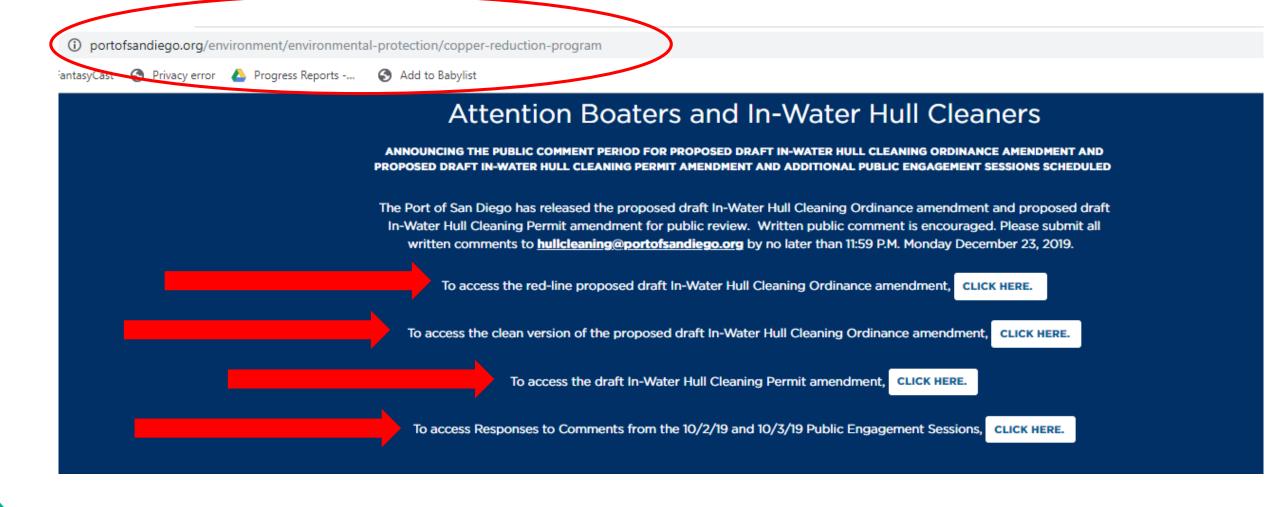
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## **Next Steps**

- 1. Draft Document Comment Period open until December 23, 2019 at 11:59 PM (submit written comments to <a href="mailto:hullcleaning@portofsandiego.org">hullcleaning@portofsandiego.org</a>)
- Proposed Ordinance amendments brought to the Board of Port Commissioners January 9, 2020 for adoption







## Schedule (proposed)

Public Engagement Sessions

Dec 2-4, 2019

Proposed
Ordinance
Amendment
brought to
BPC for
adoption

Jan 9, 2020

New Permits Issued, New Diver Cards Issued, Training for all Divers

Feb 8-Mar 31, 2020

Quarterly Water Quality Monitoring to evaluate impact of revised regulations

Apr 2020-Aug 2021

TMDL Compliance Deadline

Dec 31, 2022





















Nov 22-Dec 23, 2019

Public comment period

Dec 23, 2019

Public comment period closes for proposed Ordinance amendment and proposed IWHC Permit documents Feb 8, 2020

Ordinance Effective Apr 1, 2020

Permits required

Feb-Aug 2021

Back to Board of Port Commissioners with evaluation of new regulation



