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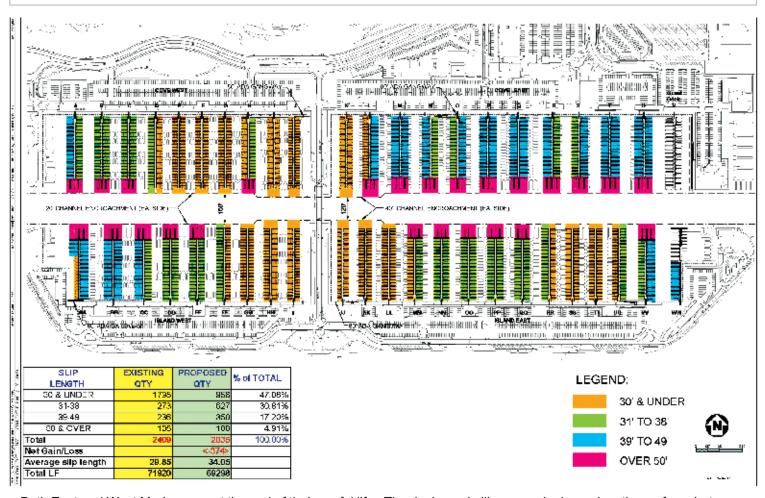
5 BOATER WORKSHOPS COMPLETED, WHAT'S NEXT?

THE DANA POINT HARBOR DEPARTMENT has just completed a series of workshops which concludes this phase of the process. The next step is to perform the boater traffic study for the channel encroachment possibility and complete the

necessary environmental studies. Additional meetings will occur at that point for the environmental review process, as well as the County Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors hearings. Thank you to all who attended the workshops.

PROPOSED DESIGN ALTERNATIVE

Layout 2C (34' Avg.) With Channel Encroachment



Both East and West Marinas are at the end of their useful life. The docks and pilings may look good on the surface, but are deteriorating under water; utilities do not meet codes; restrooms and ramps are not ADA compliant; and the dock system components are failing and needs to be replaced. If left in place – these docks will eventually fail and boaters will not be permitted to access their boats.

Boaters

LAUNCH RAMP PARKING IMPROVEMENTS

oaters at the Workshop held on February 20th asked for an apples to apples comparison of the existing and proposed launch ramp parking. Because the length of the existing spaces vary so much, (the shortest at 13' and the longest at 43', with the majority of spaces falling between 23' and 38' in length) the best way to fairly compare the available parking is to look at linear footage, or the combined length of the vehicle with trailer parking spaces, since the widths are consistent at 10'.

Today there is 11,279 linear feet of vehicle with trailer parking at the launch ramp. Of this, only 21 of the existing spaces meet Department of Boating and Waterways (DBW) standards, which are 10' X 40'. Also, approximately 50 (1,510 linear feet) of the existing spaces are currently used for dry storage. Looking solely at the existing linear footage available

for vehicle with trailer parking, there is the equivalent of 244 spaces meeting DBW requirements.

The proposed plan has 11,545 linear feet of vehicle with trailer parking - this is equivalent to 288 vehicle with trailer spaces (10'X40'), according to DBW standards, an increase of 44 spaces compared with 244 DBW equivalent spaces available today.

As currently designed in the proposed plan, there will be a total of 280 spaces meeting DBW's 10'X40' standards for vehicle with trailer parking. In some odd corners, where a total of 40' length is not possible, there will be a few spaces with lengths of 30' to 27' (all 10' wide) – these total 12.

Therefore, the new plan will include an equivalent of 288 - 10'X40' spaces, compared with the equivalent of 244 which exist today. This will be a considerable improvement over today's launch ramp parking.



FACTORS IN DETERMINING THE PROPOSED DESIGN ALTERNATIVE

- AGE AND DOCK CONDITION
- EXISTING BOATER FEEDBACK
- DESIGN CRITERIA & CODES
- COASTAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS
- OVERSIZED BOATS IN SMALLER SLIPS
- WAITLIST
- MARKET DEMAND (longer & wider)
- HARBOR WATER DEPTH
- ECONOMIC & FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

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