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Clean Marina

2007 P2 Annual Report Addendum

Boating is one of Michigan's most popular pastimes. Michigan has one million registered boats — more than any other state — and 750 marinas. This popularity also has a downside. Each year hazardous substances are inadvertently released into Michigan's waters as a result of common boating practices.

The Clean Marina Program was developed to protect water resources and wildlife habitat by promoting environmentally sound marina and boating practices. The Michigan Clean Marina program is a voluntary stewardship program open to all public and private marinas in the state.

"I can personally testify that this program has helped us become a stronger, more informed marina. As we now look around our facility, we are proud of what we see. As a member of the Michigan Clean Marina Program, we will continue to help protect our clean water and our environment."

- Ward Walstrom, Jr., Walstrom Marine

2007 Highlights

Shrink wrap pilot program resulted in the manufacture of over 15,000 pieces of reused plastics by Mondo Polymers in 2007. Each participating marina reduced their cost associated with waste collection by approximately $250. Through the combined efforts of shrink-wrap recycling programs in Michigan and Ohio, approximately 350,000 pounds of plastic wrap were diverted from landfill.

A total of fifteen (15) marinas have earned the title of Michigan Clean Marina through the designation process.

Five (5) Clean Marinas workshops were held in Cheboygan, Holland, Harrison Township, Manistee, and Bay City.

Listing of Designated Michigan Clean Marinas can be viewed at www.miseagrant.umich.edu/cmp/designated/index.html

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