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County Unveils Renovated Boat Launch

The $2.5 million renovation of the Dana Point Harbor boat launch ramp was completed on budget and on schedule with all lanes open in May well before the beginning of the busy summer season.

Patricia Bates, 5th District Supervisor

To mark project completion and dedicate the 10-lane facility, more than 75 County and city officials, special guests and members of the local boating community gathered in the Harbor on June 22.

David Johnson, Deputy Director, California Dept. of Boating and Waterways

Dana Point Mayor Diane Harkey

Patricia Bates, 5th District Supervisor, led the ceremonies with remarks also made by Dana Point Mayor Diane Harkey and David Johnson, Deputy Director, California Department of Boating and Waterways (CA DBW).

The renovation project was funded by a $2.5 million grant from CA DBW and included upgrades to improve water quality in the Harbor and bring the 36-year-old launch ramp into compliance with current Americans with Disabilities Act requirements.

Supervisor Bates unveils new boat launch sign.

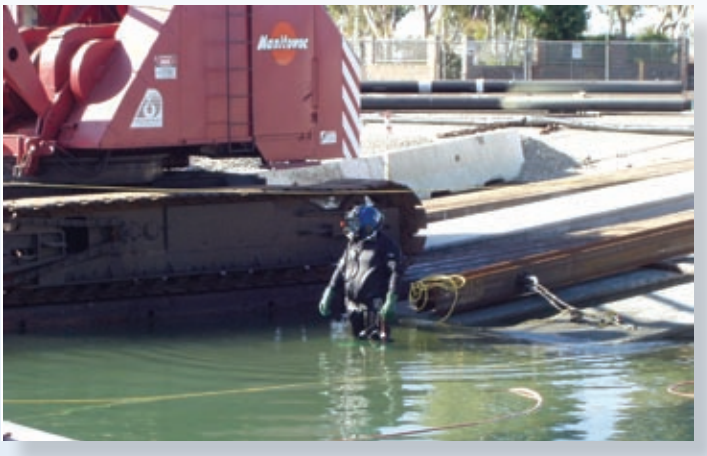
Construction included resurfacing the 225-foot-wide ramp area, building three 8-foot-wide boarding floats to replace two 6-foot-wide floats, and installing a new trench drain along the top of the ramps to collect and treat boat wash-down water from the parking area.

Throughout the eight-month construction project, which began in October, a minimum of three boat launch lanes remained in operation at all times to minimize impacts on boaters.

The ramps accommodate more than 30,000 launches each year.

George Caravalho, Dana Point Harbor Dept. Director; Dana Point Mayor Diane Harkey; David Johnson, Deputy Director, California Dept. of Boating and Waterways; Patricia Bates, 5th District Supervisor

Photos from the Launch Ramp Renovation Project



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