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AWW ACTIVITY AND FORWARD

Reports from the AWW Record Keeper show that since my late November Report, no Missions were completed. We will be making a renewed effort to remind all members that this remains a priority for the Coast Guard, both for National Security and Environmental Protection.

We thank all Auxiliarists who have participated in this Mission and want to commend particularly Divisions 1, 3, 5, 6 for continued support in their AOR's.

COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL SAFETY PROGRAM

- Our record for the Year 2011 include :
- 149 Vessel Exams conducted by the Auxiliary.
- Auxiliary awarded 90 CFVS decals
- 26 Auxiliarists participated in Safety Training provided by the Sector
- Three CFVS Examiner designation recommendations are awaiting Sector Commander approval.
- Overall in the District there are 1406 Vessels in the fishing fleet
- There were 11 vessels lost, 6 lives saved and 0 deaths.

Auxiliarists will be trained in the new requirements for Commercial Fishing Vessels this year before mandatory inspection will become "in force".

The latest report is that Auxiliarists will be able to complete the initial "inspection" exam on the vessels and submit the paperwork to an authorized Coast Guard official for the Certificate of Compliance (COC) to be issued. More on this will follow.

CONTAINERS/FACILITIES/LIFERAFTS/DOMESTIC/ TOW VESSEL INSPECTIONS

We have a few members who are active in these areas and participate on a weekly or monthly basis. It does require commitment of study and observation time to learn the basics of the various Departments and the required CFR's and Laws. If you are interested in any of these missions please contact the POC who is listed on the Marine Safety/Prevention pages of the District Website.

FERRY VESSEL AUDIT PROGRAM

The ADSO Abigail Wagg reports:

780 Ferry Boat Audits were completed in 2011. That compared to 258 for 2010. There were two major call outs during the year; the first for about 5 days following the assassination of bin Laden and the second for 4 days before, during and after the anniversary of September 11th.

There will be a few new requirements for the coming 2012 year. 1) the minimum audits to be done will go from 3 to 8 in order to hold the qualification. That's less than one per month.

There will be a few new projects and will be submitted in a report to the Marine Inspections Department in the first part of the new year.

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT DIVISION

The Auxiliary was asked by Sector SF and IMD to provide support for the Incident Management Division's response to a pollution incident at the Port of Richmond at the graving docks. The request was forwarded by the ASC to the DSO-Prevention who began setting up a schedule of volunteers from Divisions 1, 5 and 12, the closest Divisions to the incident. on December 19 and is still in progress as this report is being written.

The POC changed from the DSO-Prevention to the ADSO-IMD upon his return from a Florida vacation and he has continued with up to date reports, scheduling and coordinating changes in the Auxiliary functions from that time.

As of January 12 we have scheduled 24 different Aux members in one of the two daily shifts, which initially ran from 0645 to 1200 and 1200 to 1715 and now have been reduced in hours from 0745 to 1200 and 1200 to 1615.

We understand that the IMD has projected the response lasting through the month of January.

Members from Division 1,4, 5, and 12, have participated and they are to be commended for their dedication to the Mission.

If there are other members who would like to step up to finish off the remaining weeks in January we would welcome them. The Mission is logged as 28A on the Mission Form for AUXDATA.

No specific qualifications are required for this response. The Auxiliary role is to staff an entry gate to the security zone for the incident. Workers are logged in when entering and out at the end of the day. Worker protection is required for each and for anyone entering including visiting city/county/state officials and Coast Guard observers.

PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Prevention will be well represented at the February PCA and at D TRAIN. Courses listed as available are Dockwalkers, supported by Vivian Matuk from CA Boating and Waterways, Ferry Vessel Examiner course, Good Mate, Hazwhoper, Intro to Waterways Management and Prevention Outreach Specialist PQS. An Intro Class to the Prevention Program will be given at D TRAIN.

Also being developed, short presentations on Marine Safety to be given at Flotilla Meetings as scheduled/requested.

REGIONAL EXAM CENTER SUPPORT

Three Auxiliarists and 2 staff from the Regional Exam Center served as proctors and test administrators for the California Maritime Academy Senior 3rd Mate exams during the first week of January. These exams are taken by Seniors, who if passing the seven exams required will be issued Third Mate Licenses at the end of the school year.

Division 1, 5 and 12 were represented.

UNINSPECTED PASSENGER VESSEL PROGRAM

Dale Fajardo is the new ADSO-UPV, taking over from Rick Saber, who did the usual stellar job. Dale has begun to make phone contact with operators holding current CG OUPV Licenses.

Three vessels were examined in Berkeley and Emeryville in December. One sticker was given.

We are working with the Sailing Schools to exam their boats for safety equipment. They are somewhat resistant.

Three trainees finished the UPV qualifications by completing the PQS and two finished the 5 exams. Rick Saber served as the qualified Examiner.

Stats for 2011

22 initial exams 2 re-exams given

5 initial decals issued

11 renewed decals

AGENCY CONTACTS

CA Boating and Waterways

