



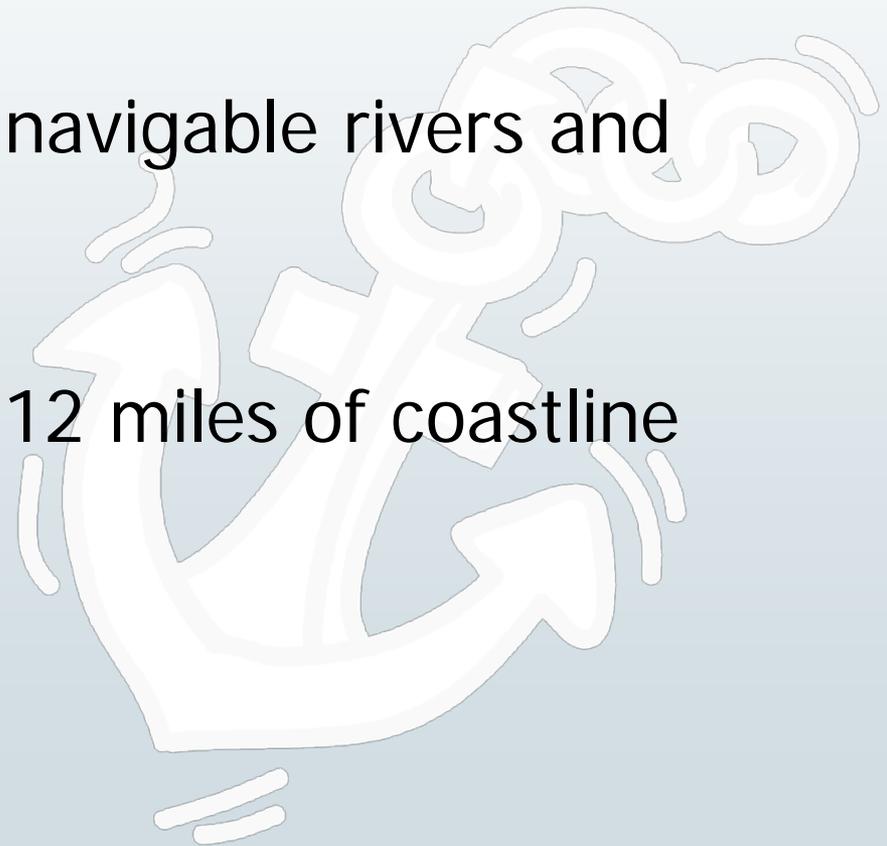
Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Division of Parks & Watercraft

Ohio has:



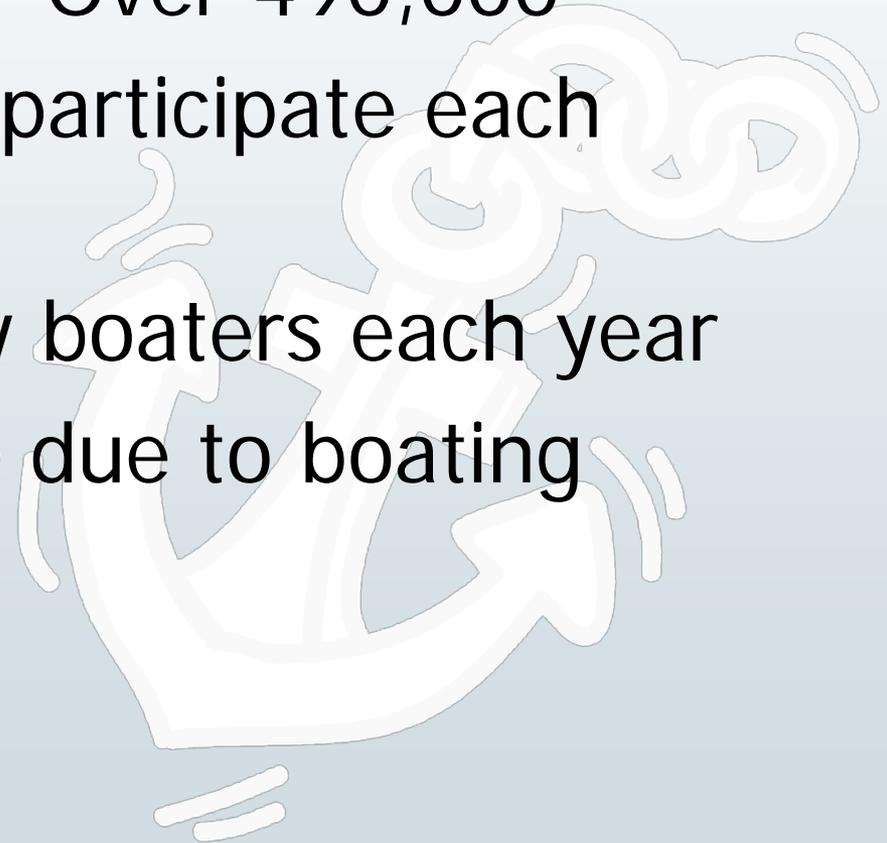
- Inland Waterways
 - Roughly 200,000 acres of lakes and reservoirs
 - Over 7,000 miles of navigable rivers and streams
- Lake Erie
 - 2.25 million acres; 312 miles of coastline
- Ohio River
 - 451 miles



Watercraft Facts



- Ohio is 8th in the nation in the number of registered boats - Over 490,000
- 3.5 million Ohioans participate each year
- \$3.5 billion spent by boaters each year
- 26,000 jobs in-state due to boating



Funding Source



- Appropriated through Waterways Safety Fund
- Waterways Safety Fund comprised of:
 - boat registration and title fees
 - 0.875% of state gasoline tax
 - federal grant funding from U.S. Coast Guard & USFWS
- No state general revenue funds



Watercraft Grants:



- Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG Program)
- Clean Vessel Grant (CVA)
- Navigational Aids Program
- Ohio Water Trails Program
- Boating Safety Education Grant
- Marine Patrol Grant - Law Enforcement Grant



Boating Infrastructure Grant Program (BIG Program)

- Federal grant program from the USFWS for transient marina development – public and private marinas
- “Big boats” – 26’ and longer
- Two tiers: tier 1 and tier 2
 - Tier 1 max \$200,000 Tier 2 max \$1,500,000
- 25% minimum required match
- Lake Erie, Ohio River, Muskingum River...
- July 1 application deadline
- Contact Person: Ted Welsh 614-203-5337



Eligible projects:

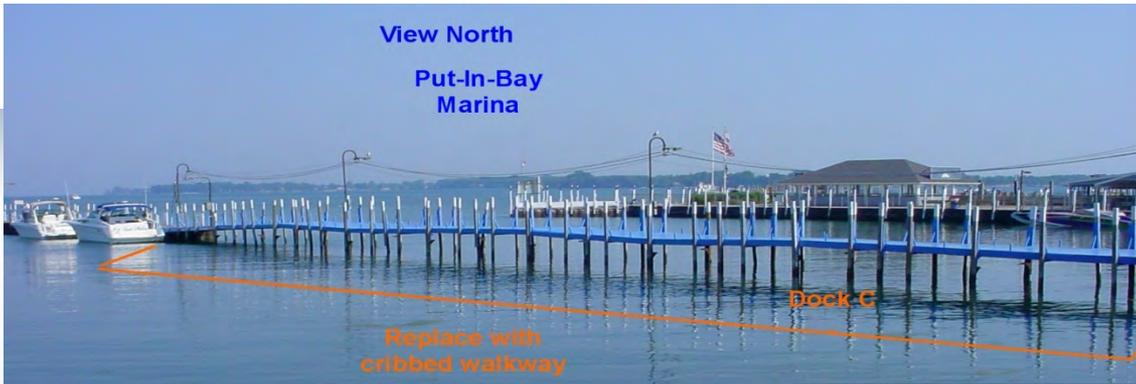


Docks, infrastructure, breakwalls, construction dredging, etc...





View North
Put-In-Bay
Marina



Replace with
cribbed walkway

Dock C



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Completed Summer 2014



Clean Vessel Act Program (CVA)



- Federal grant program from the USFWS
- Pumpouts and pumpout-related facilities
- Available to all public and *private* facilities
- No match required
- October 1 application deadline
- Contact Person: Ted Welsh 614-203-5337



CVA





Navigational Aids Program

- State Grant
- \$60,000 annual allocation
- Merit-based program for publicly accessible boating facilities
- Type of grant – navigational markers or signage
- No match required
- Applications due by November 1 each year
- Contact Person: Ted Welsh 614-203-5337

Navigational Aids Program

- Speed limits and “no-wake zones”, require the appropriate approval to enforce the law...



Ohio Water Trails Program

- Statewide water trails development focusing on regional trail development
- \$16,000 allocation for brochures & signs
- Partnership program – state and local effort
- Compliments land-based activities, camping, day-use, bike trails...
- No application deadline!
- Contact Person: Douglas Leed 614-265-6484



Ohio Water Trails Program



Boating Safety Education Grant

- Authorizes the awarding of Boating Safety Education Grants
 - Political subdivisions & state departments
 - Conservancy districts & non-profit agencies
 - “Cost-share” basis with applicant matching at least 25%
 - Grants range from \$1000 to \$30,000
 - Application deadline
November 1
 - Craig Watson 614-265-6674



Boating Safety Education Grant

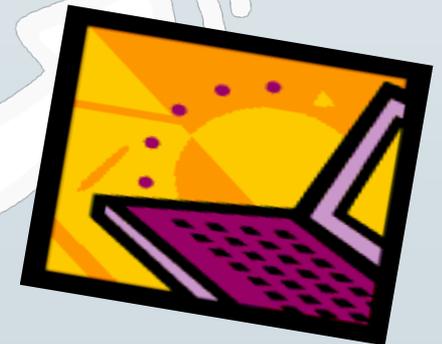
- Year-round course that meet Ohio's mandatory boating education law
- Advanced classroom courses...
- Hands-on skill development programs...
- Programs designed for students with disabilities and special needs
- National Safe Boating Week
- Wear It Ohio
- Seasonal Promotional Campaigns
- Boating Festivals



Boating Safety Education Grants



- We Provide funds for the following :
- Boats and associated equipment (life jackets, etc.)
- Classroom equipment, AV equipment
- Advertising, Educational materials
- Training





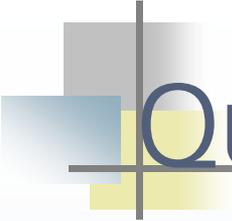
Marine Patrol Grant

- Law enforcement & recreational boating
- Match of 25% is required
- Up to \$32,000 grant allocation
- Merit-based program for public sector; i.e. local police departments, sheriff's office, etc.
- Grant funds: marine patrol wages, equipment, specialized training, boat maintenance, special uniforms, etc.
- December 30 application deadline
- Contact Person: Eric Reed, 614 265-6501



Application tips...

1. Identify your need – “what & where”
2. Include valid cost estimates
3. Administration of the grant – “who”
4. Grant execution timeline – “when”
5. Partnership opportunities
6. Don't wait until the last minute...



Questions...



<http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/>

Watercraft

