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Subj: NATIONAL RECREATIONAL BOATING SAFETY SURVEY EXPERTISE SOLICITATION

1. The Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety (CG-BSX) wants to hear from the Coast Guard workforce to create the next National Recreational Boating Safety Survey (NRBSS)! The NRBSS is administered to over 25,000 boaters every 5 to 10 years. It seeks to identify trends in safety, usage, and technology, helping the Coast Guard discern the number of recreational boats and boaters utilizing our waterways and properly regulate recreational boating.

2. This is YOUR chance to influence this nationwide survey of boaters and tell CG-BSX what the current trends, concerns, and issues are in recreational boating. For example, have you seen something during your Auxiliary maritime activities that needs to be addressed by the Coast Guard? Is there new technology such as iPhone SOS monitoring, boating smartphone apps, or peer-to-peer-sharing of boats that the Coast Guard should examine? By sharing your questions, concerns, and observations you can help CG-BSX create its NRBSS!

3. This solicitation is extended to all active duty, reserve, civilian, Auxiliary, and Coast Guard Academy personnel and runs through October 27, 2023. Please consider contributing your input. You need to have a CG_Ideas@Work account in order to do so. You can create such an account at: https://cg-ideasatwork.ideascalegov.com/a/community/login . This NRBSS solicitation can then be found as a Featured Challenge under the Active Campaigns menu.

4. To view past NRBSS for reference, please visit <u>https://uscgboating.org/statistics/national-recreational-boating-safety-survey.php</u>.

5. Mr. Jonathan Hsieh of the Boating Safety Division in CG-BSX is the point of contact (<u>smb-comdt-cg-bsx-data@uscg.mil</u> / (571) 608-6241).

6. Internet release is authorized.

For many reasons including the value of keeping communication lines clear and open as well as facilitating access to training and educational tools, all Auxiliarists are urged to have their own email address and to keep it updated in AUXDATA II.

*All ALAUX's are posted on the Chief Director of Auxiliary web site located at: <u>CHDIRAUX</u> <u>ALAUX</u> If you have a question regarding this ALAUX, please seek resolution within your Chain of Leadership and Management (COLM) including up to your servicing District Director of Auxiliary (DIRAUX). If your question still cannot be resolved after that, then please email <u>CGAUX@uscg.mil</u>.

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