

RICHARDSON BAY REGIONAL AGENCY

STAFF REPORT

For the meeting of February 10, 2023

To: Board of Directors
From: Jim Malcolm, Harbormaster
Subject: Harbormaster's Report

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

Reporting Period Jan 12, 2023-Feb 5, 2023

Vessel metrics.

53	Number of vessels in anchorage excluding transient vessels
0	Number of transient vessels in anchorage
4	Number of floating homes
57	Total Number of vessels, transient vessels and floating homes
46	Number of vessels inside the Eel Grass Protection zone

Significant events:

No Named 45 ft motor vessel: One new vessel, a 45 foot wooden motor vessel with no name and no CF#, arrived in the anchorage over the last month. The owner of the vessel was a person who had previously surrendered a vessel through the vessel buy back program. He was made aware of the requirements to abide by the rules and regulations of the Richardson Bay Anchorage and was given 72 hours to remove his vessel. On the morning of 30 January he called to report that the vessel had gone adrift the night before, was currently near the Sausalito Channel and taking on water; and it was his desire to surrender the vessel to the RBRA at the Army Corps of Engineers debris yard. We immediately responded to investigate the vessel and found it sinking by the bow. We placed the vessel in tow and grounded it on the Army Corps of Engineers boat ramp, where the Army Corps assisted us with removal of the vessel from the water as it posed a significant pollution hazard having been notified by the owner that there were multiple full 50 gallon drums of gasoline on deck and below deck. Once up the ramp we investigated all pollution sources and secured any potential pollution threat. The vessel was disposed of on 1 Feb.

S/Vs Adelante: A follow up from the January Harbormasters report, the Adelante which was unoccupied and went adrift on Jan 4 with no identifiable owner, was surveyed and found to be in reasonably good condition. The vessel has been impounded and a lien sale process has been started. Adelante will be moored at a marina in the area for the duration of the lien sale.

Henry's White Ketch: Follow up for this vessel from the January Harbormasters Report – this vessel which was catastrophically damaged in the storm of Jan 4, 2023 was re-located off of the anchorage at the request of the owner. Relocation was witness by myself and Executive Director Gross. We conversed with the person removing the vessel and they informed us that they would be returning to the anchorage to remove the mooring for the vessel which is an old train wheel.



