Clean Water and Boating Access

Benefits of the Sport Fish Restoration Act (SFR)

Clean Vessel Act (CVA)

Since 1993, the CVA program has provided funding to state boating agencies for the construction, renovation, operation, and maintenance of pump-out stations and waste reception facilities. This program also supports public education on the effects of environmental pollution and health risks that result from direct sewage.

147 projects awarded between 2020-2024.

\$79.6 million in CVA funding was awarded between 2020 and 2024.

748 pump-out boats and fixed stations were constructed, renovated, or replaced in 2020-2024.



Clean Water

Boating Infrastructure Grant (BIG) Program

Established in 1998, the BIG program provides funding to states to enhance access to recreational, cultural, historic, and natural resources in the United States for boats 26 feet or longer (large cruising boats). BIG supports projects aimed at improving docking and comfort facilities to better accommodate these boats.

50 projects awarded between 2020-2024.

\$53.8 million in BIG funding was awarded between 2020 and 2024.

32,000 linear feet of docks were constructed for boats that are 26 feet or more in length in 2020-2024.

925 transient slips were constructed, renovated, or replaced in 2020-2024.

Better Access

An additional **\$17 million** was awarded through the BIG program for administration and smaller projects in 2020-2024.

More Opportunities

Funds for the BIG and CVA program are provided annually from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund and are derived from federal excise taxes on fishing equipment, motorboat and small engine fuels, import duties, and interest on the fund.

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