

# MEMORANDUM



**To:** Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commissioners  
**From:** Colonel Curtis Brown, Director, Division of Law Enforcement  
**Date:** October 2, 2019  
**Subject:** Staff Report - Boating Safety Enforcement

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**Purpose:**

To brief the Commission on the state of the Division of Law Enforcement's boating safety enforcement efforts.

**Summary:**

This presentation will summarize the Division's collective efforts related to boating enforcement captured in the Recreational Boating Safety (RBS) Performance Report and the annual Boating Accident Statistical Report. Categories include but are not limited to: water patrol, boating under the influence, boating accident investigation, uniform boating citations and warnings issued, and boating education.

Collected boating safety enforcement statistics are primarily based upon fiscal year data as reported in the yearly RBS Performance Reports to the United States Coast Guard.

Highlights of the Report include:

- Overview of the Boating and Waterways structure
- Vessel Registration statistics
- Waterborne Patrol hours
- Boating Safety enforcement activity
- Boating Under the Influence enforcement
- Boating Accident Statistics
- Boater Safety Education
- Overview of the Boating Advisory Council
- Emerging Boating Safety Issues statewide

**Staff Recommendation:**

No direction is requested at this time. Commissioner input and discussion is welcomed.

**Staff Contact and/or Presenter:**

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