Addressing Marine Debris at Marinas

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Clean Marinas Program Snapshot

- Voluntary, incentive based environmental certification program
- Marinas implement best management practices to earn designation of Certified, Gold, and Platinum
- 90 Clean Marinas across Ohio





Why work with Marinas?

- Marinas act as a final defense before pollution enters our waterways – our sources of drinking water and recreational activities
- Opportunity to engage marinas in the protection of the very resource they need to thrive as a business
- Balance of economy and environment encourages a sustainable, long-term marina industry







Tackling Plastic Pollution with Marina Owners

OHIO CLEAN MARINA

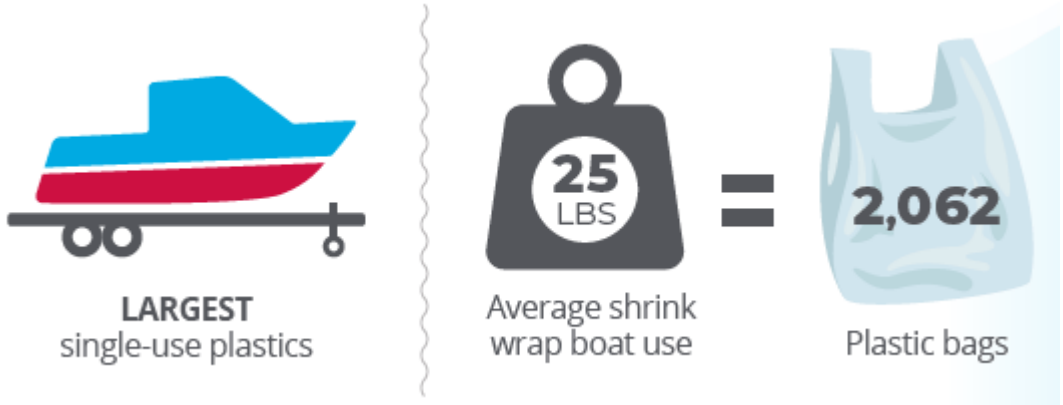
Shrink Wrap Recycling

Conduct outreach to solid waste districts

- Raising awareness and connecting recyclers to the waste

Using grants to spread awareness and upgrade capabilities

- Billboards, recycling truck, decals
- Using boat shows to generate interest













Piloting New Technology

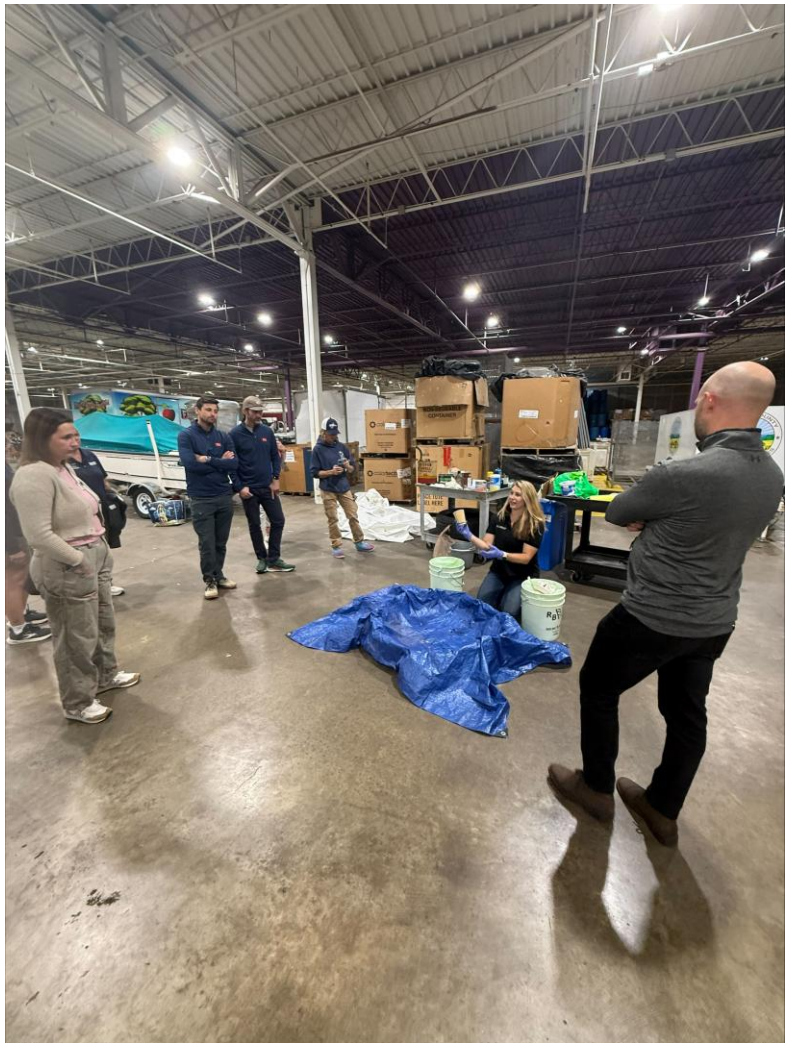
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Abandoned and Derelict Vessels

- Conducting survey of ADVs with OH marinas
- Collaborating with state and local partners to improve disposal education
- Partnering with Ohio Marine Trades Association and On the Water Ohio to go after funds and track extent of the problem

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Monofilament Recycling Program

- Respond to marina feedback
- Test new designs and provide results
- Offer workshops to build bins and encourage partnerships
- Collect and aggregate line

Interested in learning more? See the Reel In and Recycle Program at Boat US Foundation: https://www.boatus.org/monofilament/

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Working with Marinas to Impact Boater Behavior



The Marina at Caeser Creek





Mosquito Lake Marina



Middle Bass Island Marina


Little Efforts Matter

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