

Clean Vessel Act Grant – 2027 RFP

Questions & Answers

Question 1:

“Hi Kate,

My name is (blank), owner of (blank), a boat repair and refit business located at (blank). We recently remediated and redeveloped a waterfront property into a boat yard for storage and repair services, and we’re now looking at building out the existing gas dock along with other waterfront improvements.

I came across the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program and the Clean Vessel Act Grant Program and think one or both could be a good fit for parts of this project, but I want to make sure I understand the eligibility requirements (particularly around public access for BIG-funded facilities) before we get too far into planning.

Would you have 15-20 minutes for a call in the next couple of weeks to talk through our project and figure out which program, if any, makes sense for us? I’m happy to work around your schedule - let me know what times work best.

Thank you,”

Answer 1:

Pertaining to the Clean Vessel Act Grant, grants are available for installation, new construction, or operation and maintenance (O&M) of Marine Sewage Disposal Facilities (MSDFs). Such devices are commonly known as pumpouts. Central vacuum pumpout systems which are incorporated within the dock system are MSDFs and are also eligible for funding.

Grant applicants are required to provide a 25% match to receive a 75% reimbursement of the total project cost regardless of the project’s scope. Any MSDFs funded must be publicly available for a reasonable daily/weekly/seasonal period, at no cost.