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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) Yes

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Karen DeMaria - Terramar Environmental

ADDRESS: PO Box 420975
Summerland Key FL 33042

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Wisteria Island

Proposed Mooring Field at Wisteria Island: 2010-2011 Vessel Mooring Study

Prepared for:
FEB Corporation
Owners of Wisteria Island and adjacent submerged lands

Conducted by:
Terramar Environmental Services inc.
1241 Crane Boulevard
Sugarloaf Key, Florida 33042
terramar@bellsouth.net

Objectives

Gather accurate information on vessel utilization of submerged lands owned by FEB Corporation (Owners of Wisteria Island) and adjacent State of Florida submerged lands

Document stored, abandoned and derelict vessels associated with the Wisteria Island mooring area

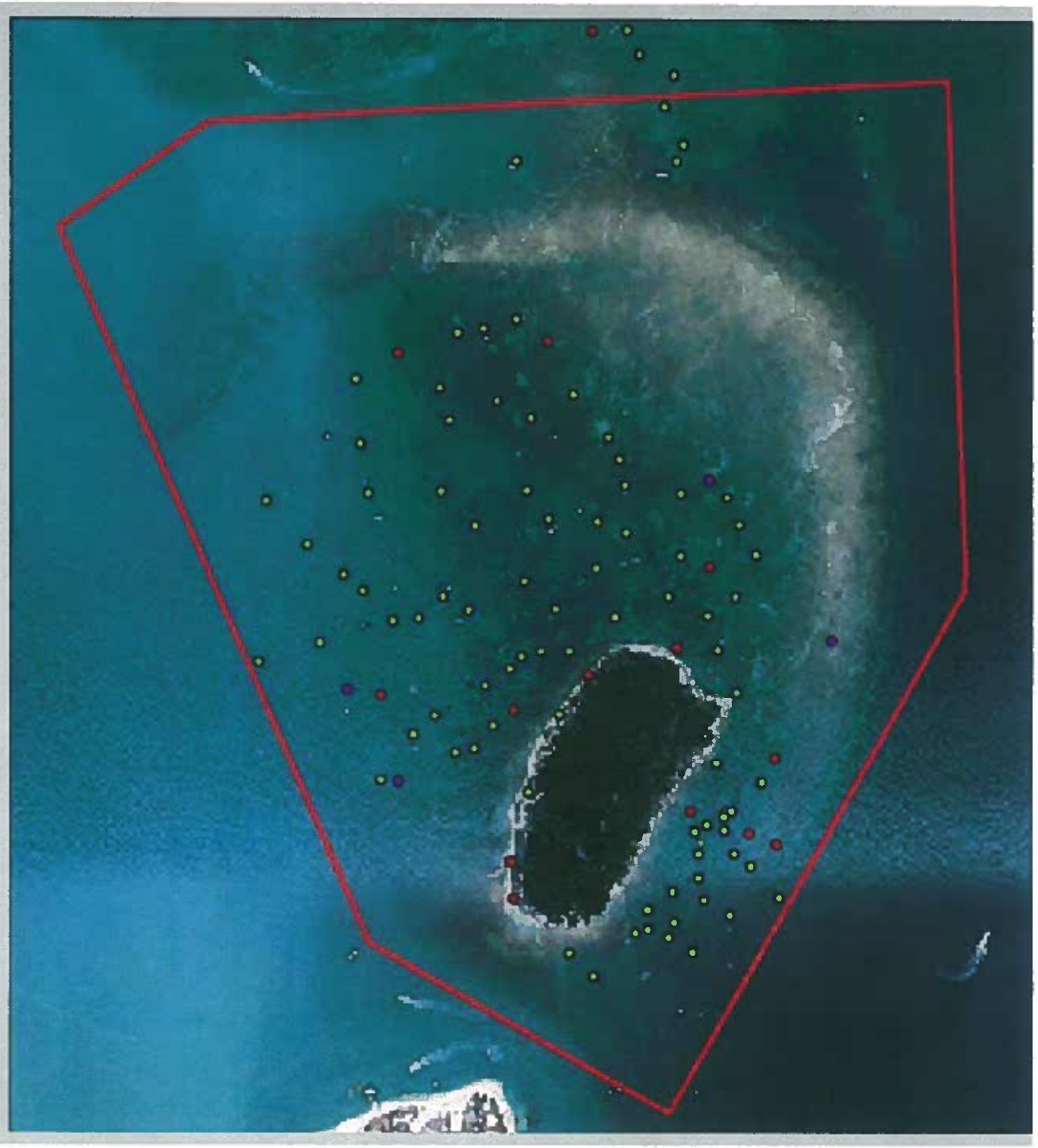
Follow FWC data collection protocol for Pilot Program for consistency with other programs

STUDY AREA

Wisteria Island located in Key West Harbor

Survey area includes submerged lands around Wisteria Island encompassing the concentrated mooring area

Survey delineated using DGPS for accuracy



STUDY AREA

Wisteria Island 22 acre spoil island in private ownership by F.E.B.

F.E.B. also owns 125 acres of submerged lands adjacent to Wisteria Island

Submerged lands in FEB ownership include Frankfort Bank, a shallow seagrass habitat

Remaining submerged lands owned by State of Florida

DEFINITIONS

"Mooring" – The act of securing a vessel so that it remains in a particular place by attaching it with ropes or cables to a permanently fixed object.

"Stored Vessel" – A vessel anchored or moored that is not being lived in.

"Derelict Vessel" – Any vessel that is left, stored, or abandoned in a wrecked, junked, or substantially dismantled condition. Any vessel docked or grounded at or beached upon the property of another without the consent of the owner of the property.

"Floating Platform" – A vessel that is equipped with neither motor nor sail and is designed to move only by being towed or manually propelled. This term does not include vessels with missing or inoperable motors or sails.

"Domicile" - A vessel, either homemade or commercially produced, that was constructed primarily as a houseboat and does not include live-aboard sail or power boats that have been modified.

METHODS

Survey conducted monthly for one year starting in March 2010

Two observers collect data on vessel type , vessel use, and status of vessel. Additional data collected on vessel origin and registration status not included in presentation.

Detailed vessel location surveys conducted in March 2010 and November 2010 using DGPS to document location of vessels relative to submerged lands ownership

Data collection followed FWC data collection protocol for Pilot Program for consistency with other programs. Data reported to FWC project coordinator monthly.

METHODS

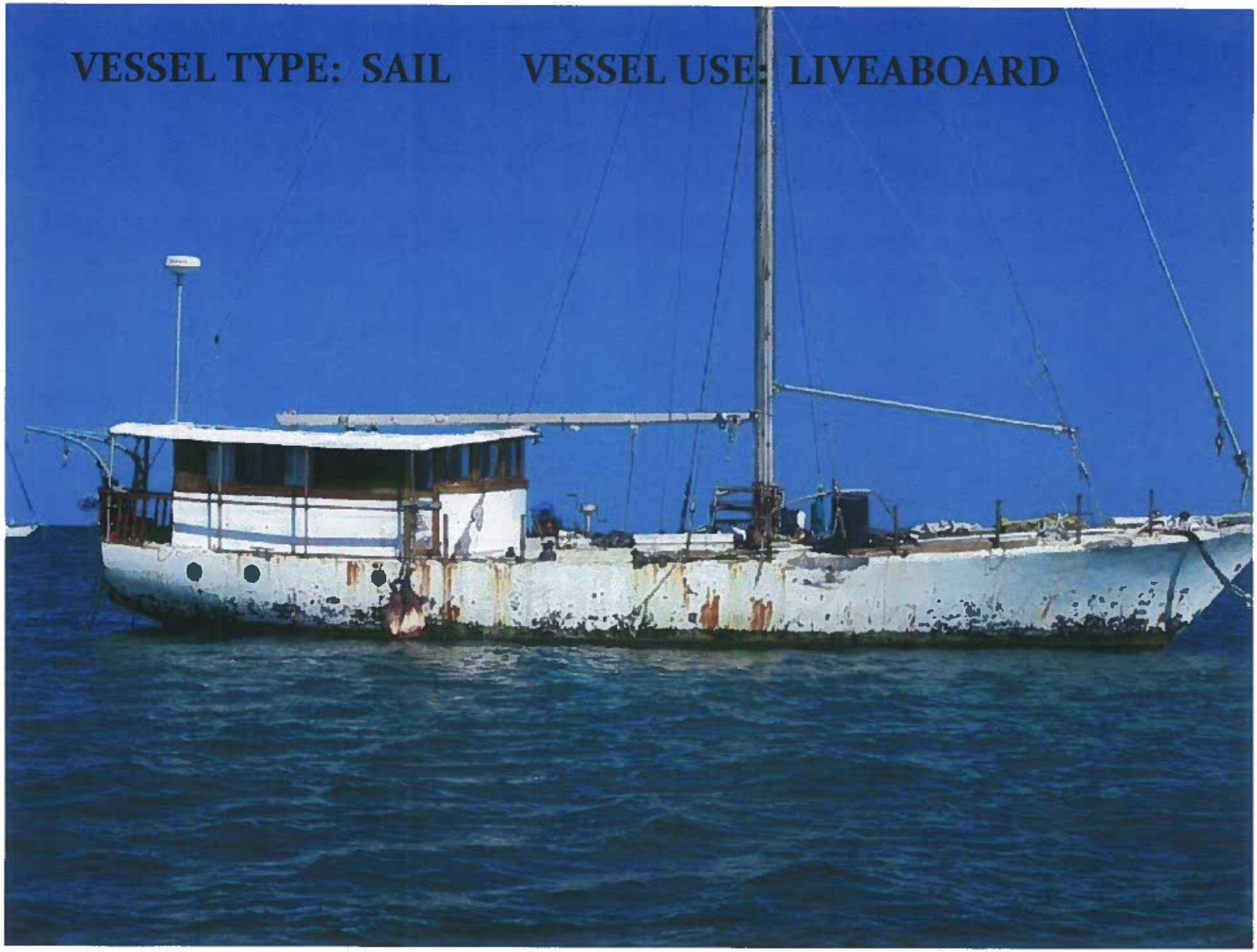
Vessel Classifications

Vessel Type: Power, Sail, Domicile(houseboat) and Platform

Vessel Use: Stored, Liveaboard and Derelict/Sunk

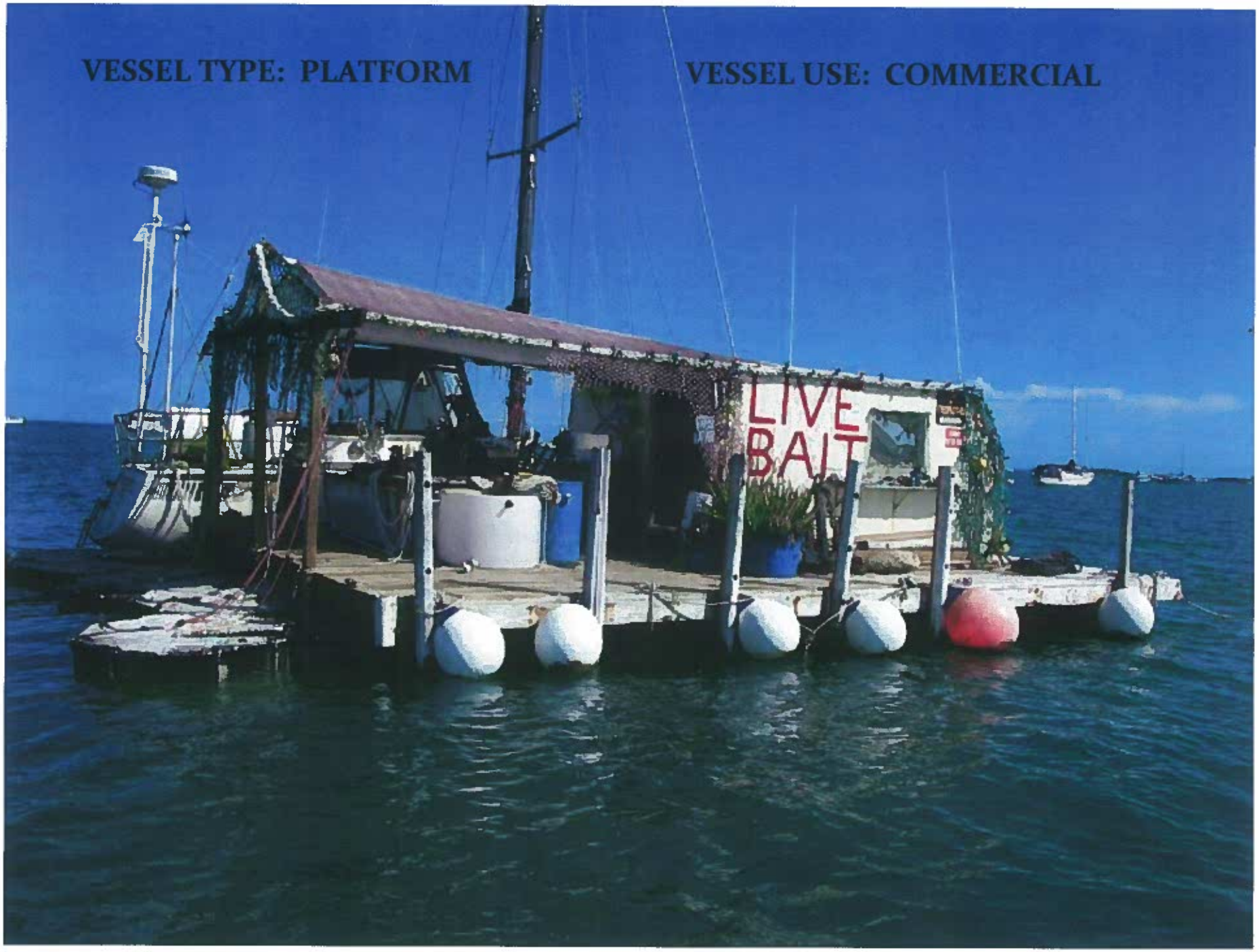
Commercial Platform: Floating structures used for commercial purposes based on observations during survey

<u>Examples of vessel type and use on following slides:</u>


VESSEL TYPE: SAIL
VESSEL USE: LIVEABOARD

VESSEL TYPE: POWER **VESSEL USE: LIVEABOARD**

VESSEL TYPE: POWER **VESSEL USE: STORED**


VESSEL TYPE: PLATFORM
VESSEL USE: COMMERCIAL
LIVE
BAIT

VESSEL TYPE: POWER **VESSEL USE: DERELICT**

VESSEL TYPE: SAIL **VESSEL USE: DERELICT/SUNK**

VESSEL TYPE: POWER

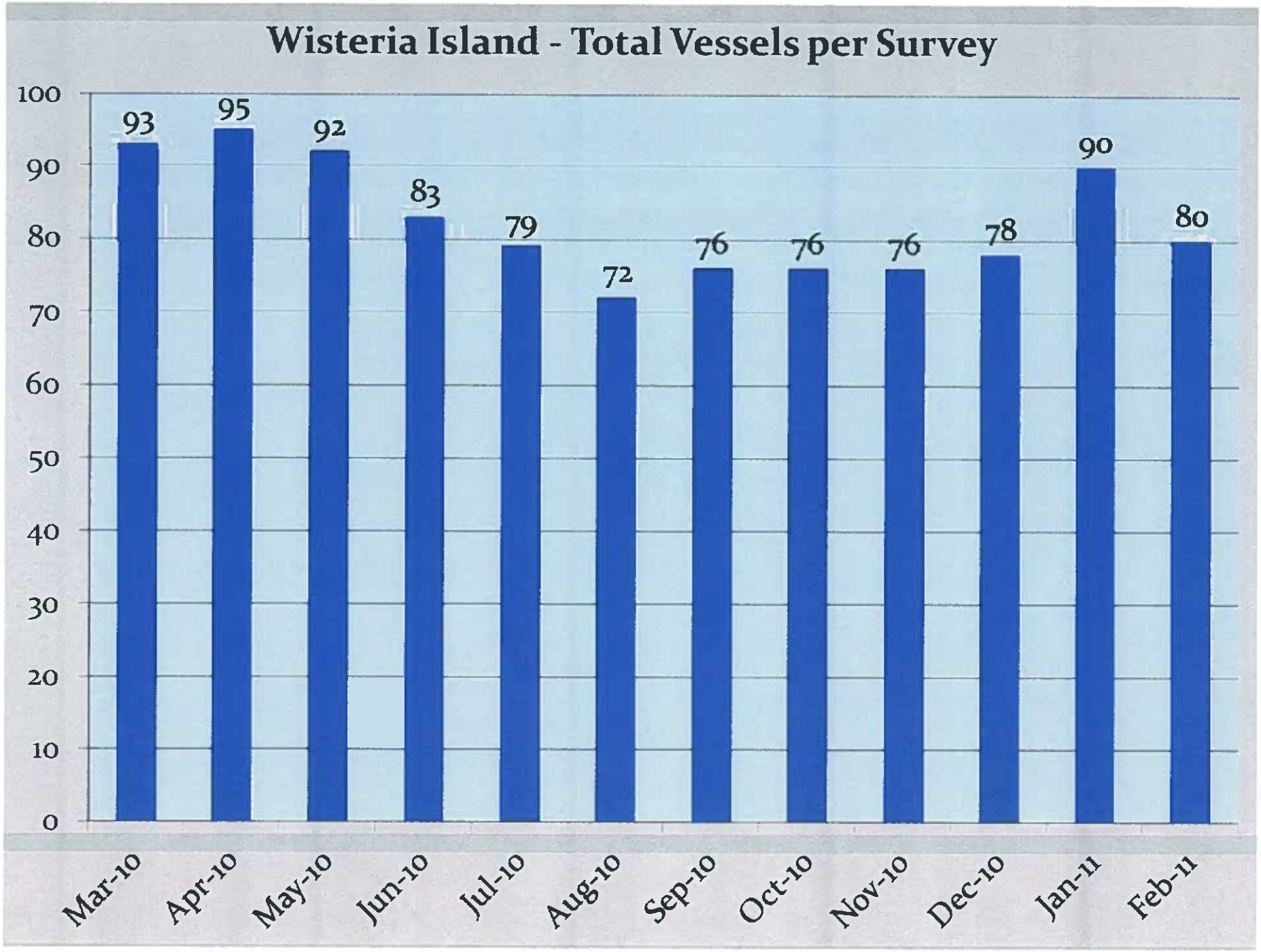
VESSEL USE: TRANSIENT CRUISER

RESULTS

Utilization of the area was consistent over the one-year monitoring period

An average of 83 vessels were recorded within the survey area each month

The range in number of vessels present was 72 in August 2010 to 95 in April 2010


Wisteria Island - Total Vessels per Survey
100
90
80
70
60
50
40
30
20
10
0
93
95
92
83
79
72
76
76
76
78
90
80
Mar-10
Apr-10
May-10
Jun-10
Jul-10
Aug-10
Sep-10
Oct-10
Nov-10
Dec-10
Jan-11
Feb-11

RESULTS

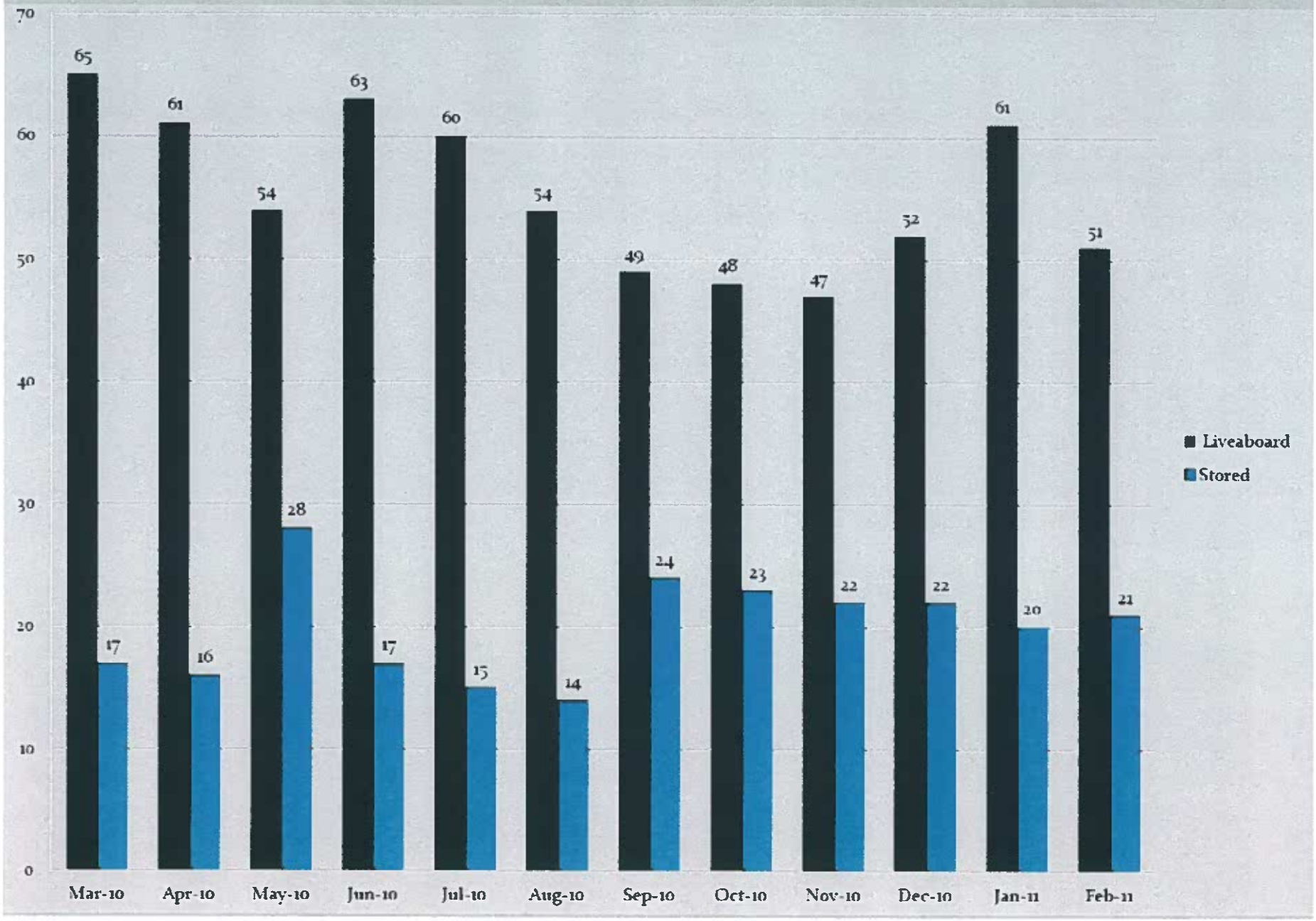
Liveaboard and Stored vessels were the major vessel uses in the survey area

An average of 55 liveaboard vessels were recorded each month comprising 66% of vessels present on average

An average of 20 stored vessels were recorded each month comprising 24% of vessels present on average

An average of 2 transient cruising vessels were recorded each month comprising 2% of vessels present on average

Wisteria Island - Vessel Use: Stored vs. Liveaboard



RESULTS

DERELICT VESSELS

Derelict vessels were common at the beginning of the survey:

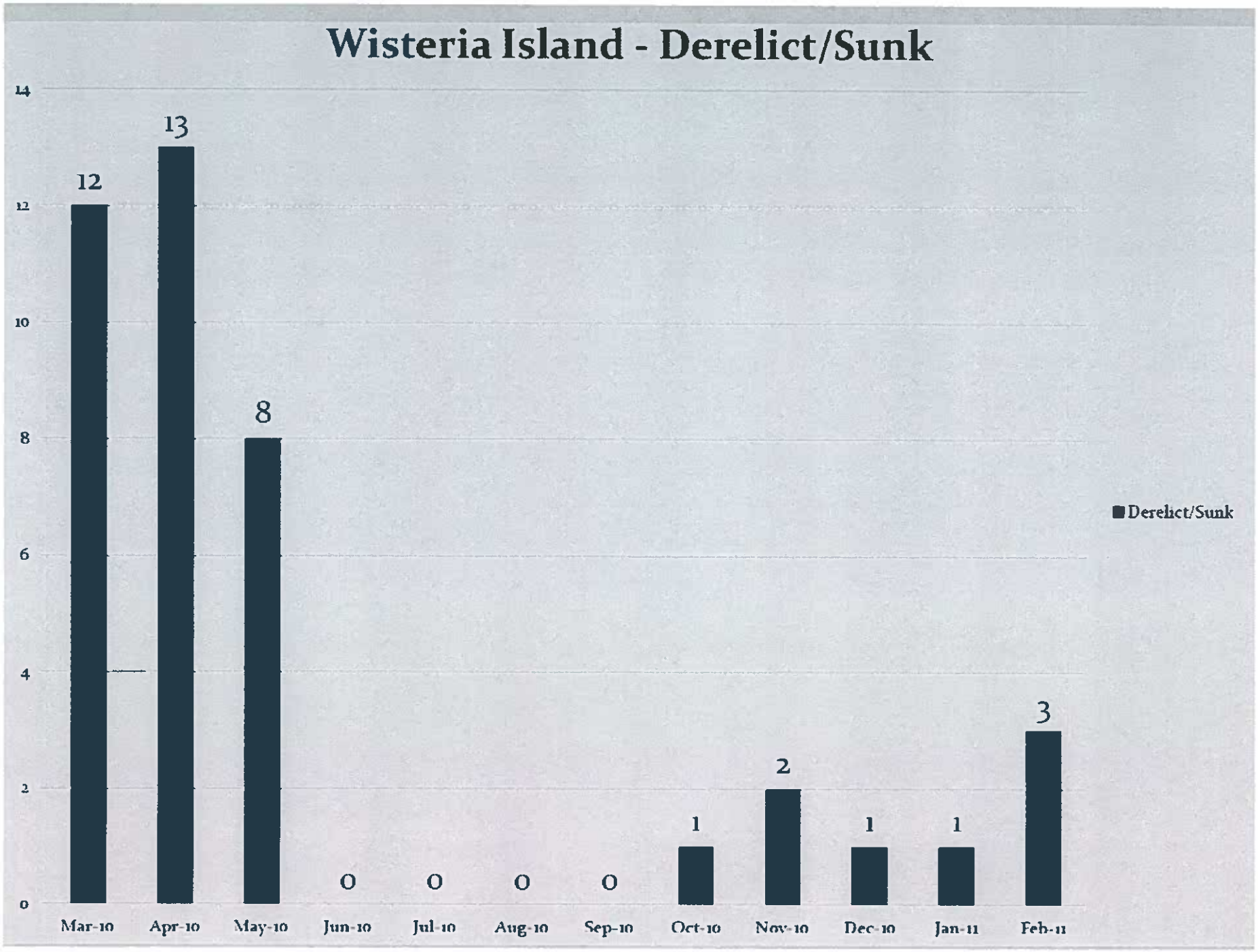
March 2010 – 12 of 93 vessels derelict = 12%

April 2010 – 13 of 95 vessels derelict = 14%

May 2010 – 8 of 92 vessels derelict = 9%

Derelict vessels were largely gone by June 2010 and remained uncommon through the remainder of the survey., comprising less than 1% of all vessels thru June 2010 – February 2011.

Data suggests that without active management, derelict vessels accumulate over time


Wisteria Island - Derelict/Sunk
14
12
10
8
6
4
2
0
12
13
8
0
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1
2
1
1
3
Mar-10
Apr-10
May-10
Jun-10
Jul-10
Aug-10
Sep-10
Oct-10
Nov-10
Dec-10
Jan-11
Feb-11
Derelict/Sunk

Vessel Distribution March 2010

Expanded survey area to include FEB Ownership

106 vessels counted with 39 within FEB parcel

37% on FEB submerged lands

Vessel Distribution November 2010

Expanded survey area to include FEB Ownership

86 vessels counted with 30 within FEB parcel

35% on FEB submerged lands

VESSEL SURVEY CONCLUSIONS

The mooring area adjacent to Wisteria Island supports a significant number of vessels, with an average of 83 vessels within the survey area per month

Liveaboard vessels are the most common vessel use, comprising 66% of vessels. Stored vessels were also common, comprising 24% of vessels.

Derelict vessels were common during the initial survey period, but declined through removal efforts. However, data suggests derelict vessels accumulate without active management

Vessels within the Wisteria Island mooring area occur on State-owned submerged lands as well as privately-owned submerged lands.

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NAME: WILLIAM BARRY
ADDRESS: 618 DEY ST
KEY WEST, FL 33040
Name of organization being represented (if applicable): WM BARRY ASSOC.

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

WISTERIA ISLAND

Florida Keys is a Federally-Designated No-Discharge Zone

On June 19 2002, state waters within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary became a No Discharge Zone for sewage from all vessels. This designation was made by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency under the Clean Water Act

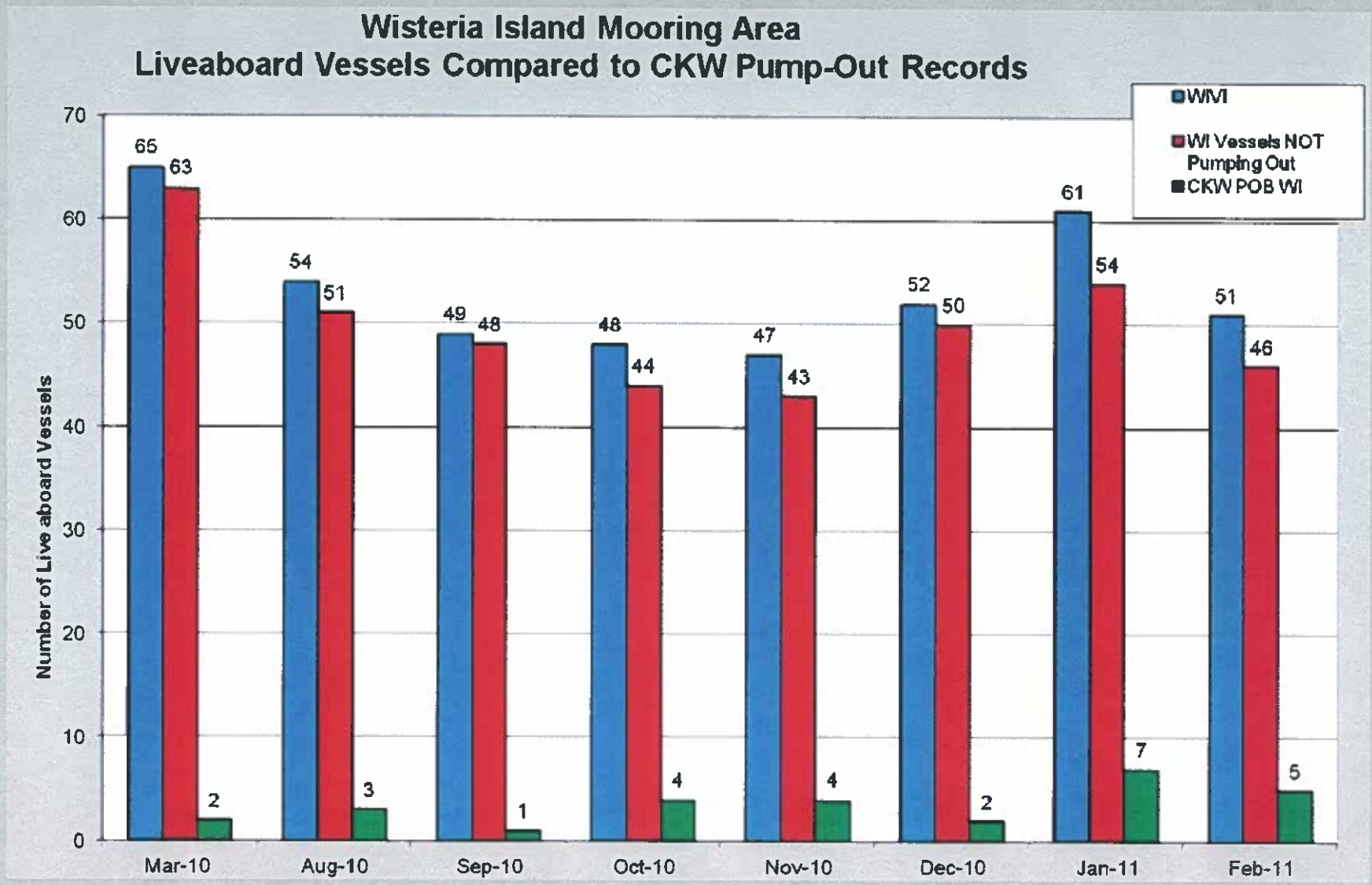
The U.S. Coast Guard, or any other federal, state, or County government entity under agreement with the U. S. Coast Guard, has the authority to enforce the requirement that no sewage be discharged from vessels within the No Discharge Zone

Wastewater Pumpout Assessment

Compare data on **liveaboard** vessel presence and marine wastewater pumpout records maintained by the City of Key West, Port Operations for the Wisteria mooring area

Comparison covers an 8-Month period and includes only vessels determined to be liveaboards by vessel survey

Data comparison compiled by W.M. Barry & Associates, Key West


Wisteria Island Mooring Area
Liveaboard Vessels Compared to CKW Pump-Out Records
WIVI
WI Vessels NOT Pumping Out
CKW POB WI
Number of Live aboard Vessels
70
60
50
40
30
20
10
0
65
63
2
54
51
3
49
48
1
48
44
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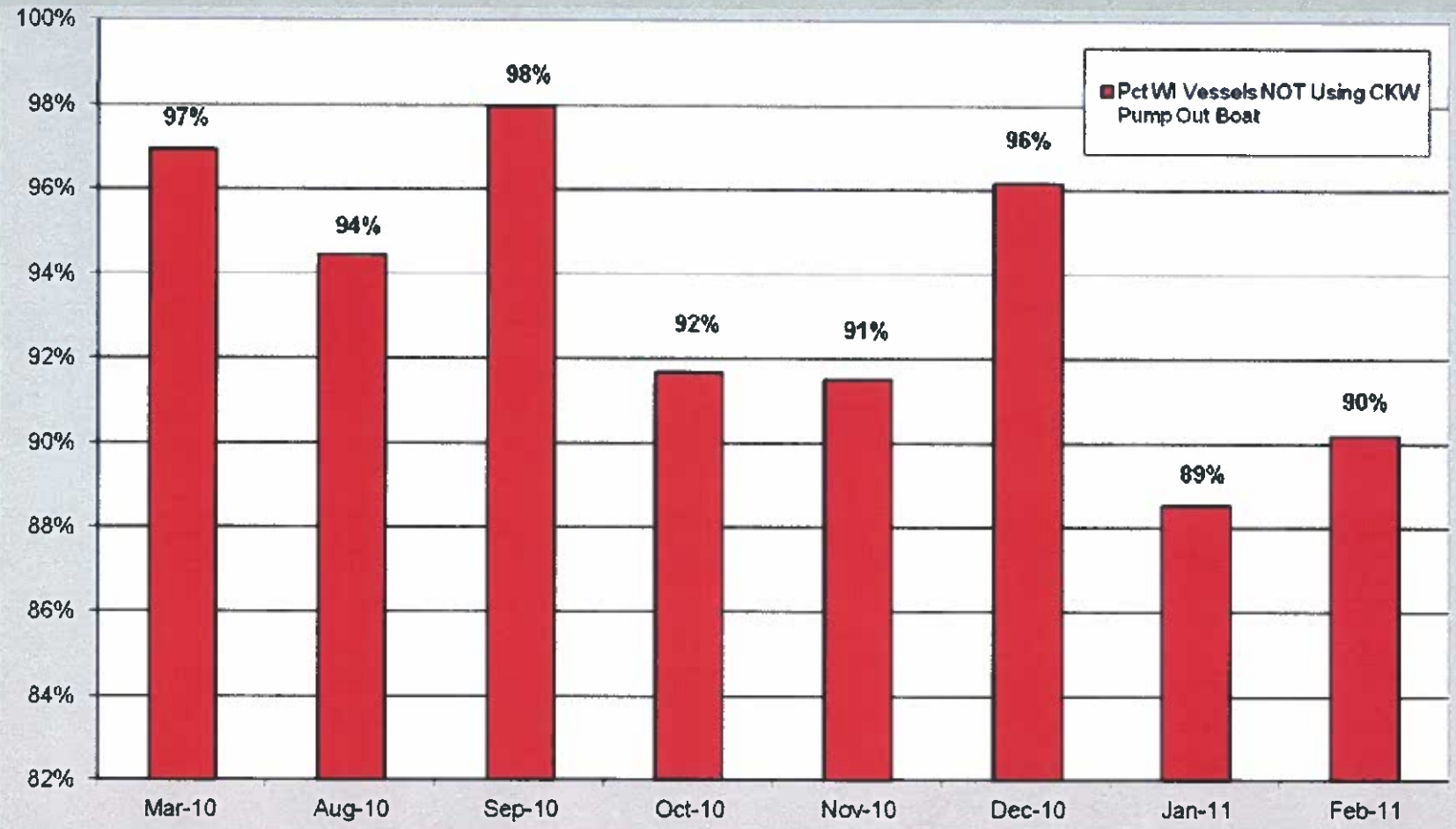
Percentage of Wisteria Island Vessels NOT Using CKW Pump-Out Services



Wastewater Pumpout Conclusions

Vessels within the Wisteria Island mooring area are prohibited from discharging sewage in State waters within the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary

Comparison of liveaboard vessels within the Wisteria Island mooring area and City of Key West pump=-out records indicates a low percentage of vessels use the service

Where the sewage goes ....

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PLEASE PRINT

NAME: ED BULLY

ADDRESS: PO BOX 2414 33045 KEY WEST

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

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PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Andrea Quigley

ADDRESS: 1317 Elizabeth St
Key West FL 33040

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

How far away from my "Spot" do I need to move my boat and for how long in order to be considered "Transient"?

Also, Can I register my boat as a Transient Vessel?

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NAME: LEE STARLING
ADDRESS: 3314 NORTHSIDE DR #104
Key West Fl 33040
Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

1) Fleming Key is dredge material + surrounding area is spoil - No Damage to Bottom
2) Has been used as an anchorage since WW II
3) City field is an inferior product
4) Most vessels are anchored with legal tackle and abide by the law - registered, pumpout, + anchor lights
5) Our Fleming residents have been compliant - few Derelicts - helped FWC/NAVY
6) We aren't on board when Tammy comes we are at work.
7) Mooring field tenants don't get to vote in City election

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NAME: BUD MEAKER
ADDRESS: 832 CAROLINE ST

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): CONCH NAVY.

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

THERE ARE 26,000 BOATS REGISTERED IN MONROE COUNTY. THERE ~~WAS~~ WERE PROBLEMS WITH 103 BOATS. THAT IS WAY LESS THAN 1%

LETS NOT CREATE AN ORDINANCE THAT IMPACTS THE VAST MAJORITY, THE 99%, WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE BOATERS. THE EFFECT WOULD BE TO INHIBIT ACCESS TO RECREATIONAL USE OF THE STATE WATERS, NOT TO PROMOTE IT.

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NAME: Naja Girard
ADDRESS: 1214 Newton St
Key West, FL
Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

- Liveaboard numbers are a bit high re: Wisteria but do have an issue out there w/ pumping out.

- like the idea of mooring fields. - the price will need to be right. City mooring field - not in great spot.

- less D/V - more $ for pumping out + for mooring fields.

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NAME: Naja GIRARD
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Key West, FL
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COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

1. Derelict Vessels:
   - Use "at Risk" program (FWC)
   - establish system for "opportunity to be heard" prior to destruction of vessels.
2. Liveaboards -
   - Free pump-out if possible so low-income boaters have no excuse.
   - Think about whether a "liveaboard" should be required to navigate (Derelict Vessels)
3. Stored boats -
   - Don't outlaw stored vessels.
     - not enough affordable dockage.
     - recreational boating would become an activity only the rich could partake in

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NAME: Michael Chisas

ADDRESS: K. West

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Public Comment

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) Yes

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Ron Love

ADDRESS: _____

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Each anchorage is unique and a universal ordinance covering all anchorages seems to be an overreach!

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) ~~No~~ yes

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Ron Newton

ADDRESS: PO 2898
KW, FL 33045

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

The "pilot program" appears to me to be the tip of the spear for more top-down class warfare on some of the most vulnerable members of society who have already been driven off the land by the high cost of accomodation. The drive is to herd the liveaboards into the mooring fields where they can be squeezed for more revenue and removed from public view. The moorings tend to break off at the top of their helix and any attempt to modify them will be removed by "maintenance personel". The thin end of the wedge, as always, is that it is for the public good.

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NAME: VEIL BRAUN

ADDRESS:

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): Various

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

1) what qualifications if any did the surveyers have doing these inspections?
2) Is one sample per month is enough to anylize the habits of 318 or more people?
4) your ordenence needs to be put to a vote not handed to the FWC. However the people impacted have had their voting rights suspended by former mayor Weekly
5) The "Key West mooring field" is a cul-de-sac well over 3nm by sailboat from the west side of flemmingke - it is also a death trap →

in bad weather the routes out for small power boats one for sail boats in very narrow channels with violent currents.

Neil Braun (cont)

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) Yes did not speak

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Jim Veron

ADDRESS: P.O. Box 1314,
KEY WEST

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): Sunset Key

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) NO

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: CAPT BILL ROBINSON
ADDRESS: DEFIANT

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

ALL BOATS WEST OF FLEMING KEY ARE 1 MILE FROM MOORING FIELD AS THE CROW FLIES BUT SAIL BOATS DON'T FLY! THEY ARE 3 MILE AWAY! THEY ARE ALL NEIGHBORHOODS DON'T BREAK UP NEIGHBORHOODS ENFORCE THE EXISTING LAWS TO GET RID OF DERELICTS!

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) no

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Rebecca Tekas-Burns

ADDRESS: 711 Eisenhower Dr. (Marco Island)
Key West

Name of organization being represented (if applicable):

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Why can't existing laws/regulations be utilized to address your concerns? (why add more complications and restrictions to the waterways?)

I run a retail shop - part of my workforce are local liveaboards + seasonal cruisers who come in to work. You eliminate -or- regulate anchoring + Key West looses a valuable segment of its workforce!!

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) NO

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Michael Dean
ADDRESS: KW

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Stop Permenant Moorings -
Some are charging rent For Moorings,
Others Build Their own.

Allow Vessel Ground Tackel only.

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PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Kelly Wait
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 5194
Key West FL 33045
Name of organization being represented (if applicable): ① (my family)

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

Most of the users of the water to moor or anchor are "good" boaters with jobs and productive members of the City of Key West. If the goal is to ① decrease derelict boats ② and protect the waters why push people into a poorly conceptualized mooring field. Why not use the powers of inovation to clearly define and empower people to protect the water that they live on rather than restrict them to a certain area that they may not feel safe in. For example my transient boat would sink in a Noreaster on the mooring field.

Also - We need ~~much more~~ clear definitions of "transient" boats as they are not included in the definitions.

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) NO

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: Michael Pollack
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 5194 Key West, Fl 33045
I live on the House Boat "Box Fish" 6 mo. each year.
Name of organization being represented (if applicable):

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

A Bad Plan is still better than no plan at all. 1.) The Key West Mooring Fild is not a safe place to live on a Boat. North West wind and fetch make this area unuseable 2) if you are going to make people move to a Mooring Fild, make it safe, and useable!! what is going to stop people from moveing to a new area outside of the one mile limit? Nothing — so what you will do is make the problem bigger, and more wide spread. if a Mooring Fild becomes mandatory it needs to enable some Boats to get out of the North wind and large waves.
What is a "Transient Boat"?
Can one vote on the mooring Fild? → NO!
Do you have a legal Right to impose this — NO!

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Do you wish to speak? (yes or no) NO

PLEASE PRINT

NAME: RHON OPIELA

ADDRESS: SAILBOAT "BLISS" N.W. SIDE OF FLEMING KEY
LIVEABOARD

Name of organization being represented (if applicable): _____

COMMENT (please be clear and succinct with your comment):

CHARGING A FEE (MONTHLY OR OTHERWISE) TO ANCHOR IN THE KEY WEST AREA WOULD NOT BE UNREASONABLE FOR MOST BOATERS. EVEN $100 TO $200 A MONTH, AS LONG AS IT INCLUDED FREQUENT PUMPOUT VISITS (3 OR 4 PER MONTH), WOULD ENCOURAGE DISCHARGING OF SEWAGE INTO OUR WATERS. I'VE SEEN HEARD OF THE LEGALITIES OF USCG BOARDINGS (AND FWC) TO CHECK HOLDING TANKS & SANITATION SYSTEMS ON BOATS, AND THIS MIGHT BE A WAY TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE OF THE NO-DISCHARGE ORDINANCE. IF PEOPLE WANT TO LIVE & ANCHOR IN THESE WATER, FORCING THEM FINANCIALLY TO GET PUMPOUTS IS NOT UNREASONABLE. IT'S THE LAW!

FOR BOATS THAT ARE TOO LARGE FOR THE MOORING FIELD (MINE IS 65') ANCHORING IS THE ONLY OPTION. I HAVE ANCHORS SET THAT HELD FOR KATRINA, AND I HAVE REGULAR PUMPOUTS. I SWIM IN THESE WATERS AND I WANT

Rhon Opiela (cont)

THEM CLEAN. BY THE WAY, THE CREWS ON THE PUMP-OUT BOATS KNOW AND KEEP RECORDS OF WHO IS GETTING PUMP OUTS AND WHO IS PUTTING IT OVERBOARD. ANYTHING WITHIN REASON THAT FACITATES COMPLIANCE WITH ZERO-DISCHARGE OF SEWAGE I WILL SUPPORT.

REGULATING DERELICT & ABANDONED OR STORED VESSELS IS MORE COMPLEX. IT SEEMS THE STORMS WE GET ON REGULAR INTERVALS "WEED THEM OUT", UNFORTUNATELY. CONTACTING OWNER'S OF THESE SUSPECT VESSELS SHOULD BE A PRIORITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT BEFORE A STORM GROUNDS THEM. IT SHOULD BE ENCUMBANT ON THE BOAT OWNER (OF STORED/DERELICT VESSELS) TO NOTIFY THE CITY, COUNTY, OR COAST GUARD THAT THEY INTEND TO PARK (MOOR) A VESSEL IN OUR WATERS AND THEN NOT CHECK UP ON IT. IF THE OWNERS WANT TO STORE A VESSEL (DERELICT, OR OTHERWISE) THEY SHOULD BE IDENTIFIABLE, ON RECORD, AN NOTIFIABLE.

Rhon Opiela