

## How do I pay for this?

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has a reimbursement-based grant program to help fund pump-out projects. The Clean Vessel Act (CVA) Grant Program can fund up to 75 percent of eligible project costs relating to:

- Site preparation
- Permitting
- Equipment purchase
- Installation
- Operations
- Maintenance
- Sewage hauling
- Educational signs

The grant office accepts applications year-round, and grants are funded on a first come, first serve basis.

Visit [monroecounty-fl.gov/MPOOP](http://monroecounty-fl.gov/MPOOP) for a link to the CVA website and application.



  
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**Monroe County  
Marina Pump-Out  
Outfitting Program  
(MPOOP)**

This program is managed by the Monroe County Marine Resources Office, whose mission is to help protect and conserve the marine environment of the Florida Keys within Monroe County in a manner consistent with the Monroe County 2030 Comprehensive Plan and to provide for the adequate and appropriate use of the Keys' marine resources. Primary services include waterway marker maintenance, derelict vessel removal and vessel pump-out.



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## What is MPOOP?

There are almost 500 marine facilities throughout the Florida Keys with hundreds of liveaboard vessels at these locations. However, less than 30 percent of these facilities have pump-out equipment.

Monroe County has adopted policies and regulations to increase the availability of pump-out facilities in order to reduce pollutant discharges to protect our nearshore waters. Section 118-16 of the Monroe County Land Development Code says that new **marinas with ten (10) or more slips, or with at least one (1) live-aboard slip, are required to have a fixed pump-out system.** In addition, *existing* marinas are required to provide a fixed pump-out system to boaters within 12 months of receiving notice from the County. **All marinas** (regardless of size) must provide signage educating boaters about pumping out waste.

To help with this effort, Monroe County has created the Marina Pump-Out Outfitting Program (MPOOP) to provide guidance on funding opportunities and permitting of pump-out systems for marinas. The MPOOP program provides existing marina owners and operators an opportunity to move forward in a proactive way to protect our nearshore water quality, prior to the County's formal implementation of this requirement.

## Where do I start?

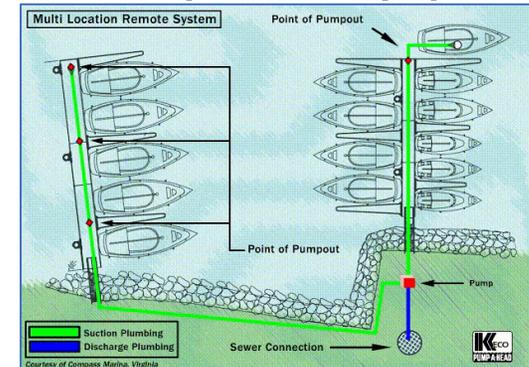
Visit [www.monroecounty-fl.gov/MPOOP](http://www.monroecounty-fl.gov/MPOOP) for:

- An introductory video
- Financial assistance resources
- Information on permitting
- Lists of industry professionals
- Example permits
- More!



## What kind of pump-out system meets County requirements?

### Plumbed (Centralized) System



- Plumbing located along the dock
- Vessel does not have to be moved to collect waste
- Most appropriate for liveaboard facilities

### Stationary (Fixed) Station



- Simplest and least expensive
- Often located next to fuel/ water sources for easy access
- Best for transient facilities