

Upcoming Regulations Under Clean Boating Act of 2008

In July 2008, Congress enacted the Clean Boating Act (Pub. L. 110-288), which amends the Clean Water Act to exclude discharges incidental to the normal operation of recreational vessels from National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permitting. It instead directs EPA to establish management practices and standards of performance to control such discharges, with the U.S. Coast Guard to subsequently issue regulations governing the use of such management practices by recreational boaters.

This presentation will provide a brief overview of the Clean Boating Act, anticipated implementation steps, and the role of States and other interested federal agencies under the Act. A brief opportunity for questions will be provided at the conclusion of the presentation.

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