# MARINA SURVEY

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Please read each question carefully. Choose the most appropriate answer where choices are supplied. Mark the box beside the answer with an "X". Unless otherwise specified, the term boating season refers to the (Year) boating season.

PART I. PHYSICAL STRUCTURE OF THE MARINA.

- 1. How many years has there been a marina been at this location? \_\_\_\_\_ years
- 2. How many years have **you** been the operator of this marina? \_\_\_\_\_\_ years
- 3. Which services and facilities does your marina provide? Mark all categories that apply.

- 4. Please indicate your dock structure type:
- [] Fixed docks [] Floating docks[] Combination floating and fixed docks
- 5. How many slips are located at your marina for seasonal rent?
- 6. How many slips are located at your marina for daily transient rent?
- 7. During the (Year) season, what percent of your seasonal slips were rented?

Seasonal occupancy: \_\_\_\_\_%

- 8. If your occupancy rate was less than 100%, mark the reason(s) you feel contributed this. Mark all categories that apply.
  - [] poor boat sales [] high local unemployment
  - [ ] economic recession [ ] insufficient water depths
  - [ ] docks in need of repair [ ] competition from other boating facilities
  - [ ] decline in populations [ ] other (please specify) preference for boating

9. Indicate the number of seasonal slip renters by boat type and length that used your marina during the (Year) boating season.

ВС	DAT LE	N G T	Н							
	<u>Boat Type</u>	< 16'	16-20'	21-25'	26-39'	40-64'	>64'			
	Outboard									
	Inboard _									
	I/O									
	Sailboat _									
10.	What is the	e basis	for you	ır slip re	ental fee	es for se	asonal	users?		
	Per Foot of boat length				t rate b <u>y</u> dock ler			_ Other_		
11.	Does the re	ental ra	te inclu	de: Wa	ter <u>Y</u>	<u>N</u> Ele	ctricity	<u>Y N</u>		
				Wi	nter Sto	rage <u>Y</u>	N			
12.	Please prov sizes/dock			) rental	rates fo	or seaso	onal slip	o renters by t	he following boat clas	S
	RATE	ΡE	RB	ТАС	ORI	DOCK	K LE	NGTH		
	<u>Boat Type</u>	< 16'	10	6-26'	26	6-39'	4	0-64'	>64'	
	Power Boat	:s \$		\$	\$		\$	\$		
	Sail boats	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$		
	Other rates	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$		

13. What is the daily transient rental fee? \$\_\_\_\_\_

14. When can slip renters start to put their boats in the water and when do they have to have their boats out?

a. Earliest date boat can go in slip?	Day	Month
b. Latest date before boat must be out of water?	Day	Month

15. Estimate the percent distribution for the (Year) seasonal slip rental fleet by draft of their boat.

Boat draft		Boat draft	
< 0.5 Foot	%	1.6- 2.0 Feet	_%
0.6- 1.0 Foot	%	2.1- 2.5 Feet	_%
1.1- 1.5 Feet	%	> 2.5 Feet	_%

### PART II WATER LEVELS

Information on water levels for the \_\_\_\_\_\_ area is provided below for the (Year) boating season as well as the period 1900 to (Year). Please refer to this information when answering the following questions.

WATER	LEVELS

Average Monthly Levels (Year) to (Year) Average Daily - (Year) Boating   Season LEVEL DATE LEVEL_DATE   Maximum xxx.xx feet Month Year xxx.xx feet Month   Year Minimum xxx.xx feet Month Year xxx.xx feet Month   Year Average xxx.xx feet Xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet Month   Year Xxx.xx feet Xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet   Average xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet xxx.xx feet   Variation xx.xx feet xx.xx feet xx.xx feet xx.xx feet		APRIL1 THRU	OCTOBER	31
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5	-	xxx.xx feet	Month Year	xxx.xx feet Month
Variation xx.xx teet xx.xx teet	U U			
	Variation	xx.xx feet		xx.xx feet

16. When water levels were their **highest** during the <u>(Year)</u> boating season, what was the **range** of water depths (distance from water surface to bottom) throughout the following areas at your facility: (Sample answers, <u>5</u> Feet, <u>2</u> Inches, <u>7</u> Feet <u>9</u> Inches.)

I	Minimum Water D	epth Max	Maximum water Depth			
Water depth at slips	Feet	Inches	Feet	Inches		
Depth at access chanr within the marina		Inches	Feet	Inches		
17. As compared to the <b>hi</b> g <u>or</u> lower should water leve <u>1</u> Feet, <u>8</u> Inches, <u>0</u> Feet <u>6</u>	Is be for <b>optimum</b>					
How	<u>Much Higher</u>	Or <u>Hov</u>	v Much Lower			
Slips	Feet	Inches	Feet	_Inches		
Access Channel Within the Marina	Feet	Inches	Feet	Inches		
18. As compared to the <b>highest</b> water level during the <u>(Year)</u> boating season, <b>how much lower</b> can water levels <b>drop</b> before the adverse impacts listed below would occur.						
How much lower before:						
(a) Some slips in marina become unusable.	Fee	etInch	ies			
(b) At least half of the slips in marina become unu		etInch	nes			

(c) The marina becomes completely unusable. \_\_\_\_\_Feet \_\_\_\_Inches 19. As compared to the **highest** water level during the (Year) boating season, **how much higher** can water levels **rise** before the adverse impacts listed below would occur. <u>How much higher before:</u>

(a)	Docks or walkways are underwater or unusable.	Feet	Inches
(b)	Marina buildings/offices begin to flood.	Feet	Inches
(C)	Marina becomes completely unusable.	Feet	Inches

20. For the period that you have operated this marina facility, choose the categories which best describe any impacts that affected the operation of your marina as a result of **high** water levels. Mark all categories that apply.

[ ] erosion of shoreline property	[ ] inundated dryland facilities
[ ] wave damage to docks	[ ] docks difficult to use
[ ] access problems from inadequate clearance under bridges	[ ] increased accessibility in narrow channels or shallow areas
[ ] greater depths allowed docking of bigger boats	[ ] money was saved because dredging was reduced or not necessary
[ ] longer boating season	[ ] no need to shift boats during the season
[ ] flooding of grounds	[ ] flooding of buildings/office/equipment
[ ] ice damage	[ ] other (please specify)

21. If **high water levels** have affected the operation of your marina, please check for each potential cause, to what degree you feel they have contributed to or caused these impacts.

Potential Cause	No Af	) fect		nor fect		oderate fect	ajor fect	
Natural Causes (Rainfall, runoff)	[	]	[	]	[	]	[	]
Man Made Control (Lake Level regulation	[	]	[	]	[	]	[	]
Other (Please Specify)	[	]	[	]	[	]	[	]

#### Degree Potential Causes have Contributed to These Impacts

22. For the period that you have operated this marina facility, choose the categories which best describe any impacts which affected the operation of your marina as a result of **low** water levels. (Mark all categories that apply.)

[	] inadequate channel depths	[	] shorter boating season
[	] insufficient depth at dock or berth	[	] reduction in number of useable slips/berths
[	] reduced storm damage	[	] reduced danger of flooding
[	] dry rot of wood structures from shallower draft boats	[	] rentals restricted to smaller exposure to air
[	] reduced accessibility in narrow channels or shallow areas	[	] docks difficult to use
[	] other (please specify)		

23. If **low** water levels have adversely impacted the operation of your marina, please check for each potential cause, to what degree you feel that they have contributed to these impacts.

Potential Cause	No Affect	Minor Affect	Moderate Affect	Major Affect
Natural Causes (Rainfall, runoff)	[]	[]	[]	[]
Man Made Control (Lake Level regulation)	[]	[]	[]	[]
Other (Please Specify)	[]	[]	[]	[]

Degree Potential Causes have Contributed to These Impacts

### PART III : MEASURES IN ADAPTATION TO WATER LEVELS.

- 24. Which of the following measures did you take to deal with the impacts from high water levels that you marked in question #20. Mark all categories that apply.
- [] nothing [ ] added fill along the shoreline [ ] shortened the slip rental season [ ] temporarily closed the marina [] landfilled to raise ground elevation [] relocated the marina
- ] floodproofed buildings/office
- [ ] raised building/office contents to higher elevation

[ ] temporarily closed slips or docks

[ ] added to breakwall height

[] modified dock height to new water level

[ ] constructed adjustable/floatable docks

[] did emergency measures( sandbags, pumping)

- [] other (please specify)
- 25. Which of the following measures did you take to deal with the low water levels impacts that you checked in guestion #22. Mark all categories that apply.
  - [ ] performed dredging
  - water level
  - [ ] closed the marina

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- [] allowed a greater number of [] other (please specify)
- smaller boats to rent slips

[ ] constructed adjustable/floatable docks [ ] did not use channels with low[ ] modified dock heights or length to accommodate new water level

- [ ] did not rent slips with low water levels
- [] relocated the marina [] replaced structures with dry rot
- 26. The following information on your marina revenues and expenses for the (Year) boating season will allow us to better evaluate the economic impact of fluctuating water levels for all marinas throughout the Great Lakes.

Revenues and Expenses For The (Year) Boating Season

Revenue Category		Revenues
Boat Slip Rental	Number of slips rented	\$
In & Out Rack Storage	Number rented	\$
Winter storage	Number of boats stored	\$
Building Rental Income		\$
Launch Ramp Revenue		\$
Gasoline Sales		\$
Pump-out Revenue		\$
Other		\$
Sum of All Revenue Ca	\$	

26. (continued) Expenses	( <u>Year )</u> Expenses
Salaries And Wages (include employee benefits)	\$
Advertising and promotion	\$
Accounting, Legal & Professional services	\$
Dock Replacement	\$
Dredging	\$
Taxes And licenses	\$
Utilities (gas, electric, water, telephone)	\$
Vehicle Expenses	\$
Marina Insurance (Accident, Fire theft, Etc.)	\$
General Office Supplies	\$
Outside Services (Cleaning, security, Etc.)	\$
Maintenance & Repairs (To docks, buildings, grounds)	\$
Interest Expenses (On loans, to Partners, Etc.)	\$
Amortization Expenses	\$
Depreciation	\$
Other (please specify)	\$
Other (please specify)	\$
Sum of All Expense Categories	\$

27. Assume that the water level during the <u>(Year)</u> boating season was **one foot less** than the level indicated in your response to question 18a. In other words, assume that the water levels at your marina during the <u>(Year)</u> boating season remained at one foot less than where you indicated adverse impacts begin. Provide the **increase in costs** that you would have incurred next to the following categories listed below.

, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Increase in Costs
dredging costs	\$
wages and salaries (include employee benefits)	\$
cost of relocating docks (move docks to deeper water)	\$
cost for changing dock and walkway heights and lengths	\$
cost of installing new docks (docks floatable or adjustable)	\$
cost for moving around slip renters boats	\$
other (please specify)	\$
other (please specify)	\$

28 Assume that the water levels at your marina, during the <u>(Year)</u> boating season, remained at **one foot less** than where you indicated adverse impacts begin in question 18a. Provide the **decrease in revenues** that you would have incurred next to the categories listed below.

Boat Slip Rental	\$ In & Out Rack Storage	\$
Winter storage	\$ Building Rental Income	\$
Launch Ramp Revenue	\$ Gasoline Sales	\$
Pump-out Revenue	\$ Other	\$
Other	\$ Other	\$

29. Assume that the water level during the (Year) boating season was **one foot greater** than the level indicated in your response to question 19 (a). In other words, assume that the water levels at your marina during the (Year) boating season remained **one foot higher** than where you indicated adverse impacts begin. Provide the **increase/decrease in costs** that you would have incurred next to the categories listed below.

Increases:	Increased Costs
adding additional height to the marinas breakwater	\$
wages and salaries (include employee benefits)	\$
cost for changing dock and walkway heights and lengths	\$
cost of installing new docks (docks floatable or adjustable)	\$
floodproofing buildings/offices	\$
cost of raising building/office contents to higher elevation	\$
emergency measures (sandbags, pumping)	\$
landfill of low areas	\$
other (please specify	\$
other (please specify	\$

#### Decreases:

Decrease In Costs

decrease in dredging costs	\$
decrease in cost of moving around slip renters boats	\$
other (please specify	\$
other (please specify	\$