

Application for Voting Status on the CHNEP Citizens Advisory Committee

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Please tell us the name of the organizations you affiliate with and how? If the organization may not be well known, please include a brief description.

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary --- Flotilla 9-2North Port member since November 2006

Certifications : Instructor, Aids to Navigation Verifier, Coxswain, Vessel Examiner, Radio Watchstander

Previous Positions: Flotilla Staff Officer – Public Education,

Flotilla Staff Officer – Information Services,

Flotilla Staff Officer – Communications Services

Publications: A Boater's Guide to the Myakka River

Why do you want to be a voting member of the Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program Citizens Advisory Committee?

As a frequent consumer of the Charlotte Harbor Estuary environment I have a personal interest in ensuring it is maintained and managed in a fashion that insures it will prosper and thrive, thereby continuing to be a delightful recreation area for me as well as a national treasure for future generations. As a voting member of the CAC I believe I can contribute to attaining this.

What contributions do you feel like you can make to the CAC?

In that a reasonable amount of my time is spent on the waters of the Charlotte Harbor Estuary, as well as having frequent conversations with other auxiliaries that spend time on the water, combined with the fact that we are all trained observers leads to a belief that I acquire information regarding the environment and changes to it on a current and ongoing basis, which can be shared with the CAC.

Additionally, I periodically teach a US Coast Guard Auxiliary Safe Boating course to the public during which I could advance the benefits of the CHNEP and distribute current literature.

As a member of the Auxiliary I attend various public events, primarily to encourage boating safety through several programs we offer. At these events we distribute free literature on many water/environment topics that could, and probably should, include CHNEP literature.

As a qualified vessel examiner I am again in position to disseminate information to the public.