# Scientific, Technical and Boating-Related Information on the Waterways of Southwest Florida

The references listed below result from a decade-long Urban Boating Bay Water Management Research and Extension Program, sponsored by the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), through its National Sea Grant Program, Coastal Services Center and Marine Chart Division, and by the West Coast Inland Navigation District. Designed to help Florida boaters, residents, communities and businesses achieve sustained and self-regulatory uses of coast waters, the program's goal is to eliminate the need for costly regulation of citizens who participate in boating, while preserving and reversing the decline in coastal waters in which many boats are operated. The program focuses on anchorage and waterway management, operating under the aegis of formalized agreements with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

Detailed resource inventories, scientific and technical investigations and extension education publications (maps and guide materials) are some of the results of this decade-long effort. Copies of these materials can be examined at or obtained from the agencies referred to by number in ( ) below .

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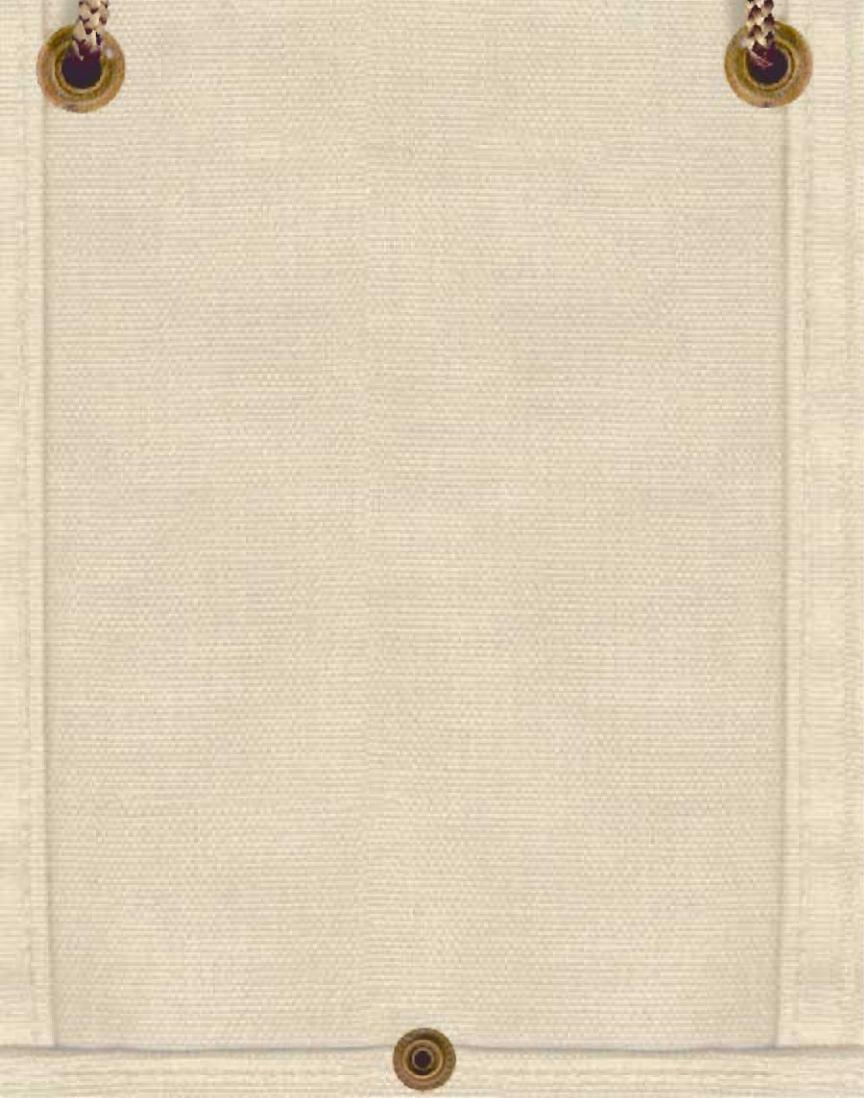
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- (3) Boaters' Action & Information League 5835 Wildwood Ave., Sarasota, Fl 34231
- (4) Sarasota County Natural Resources Dept. P.O. 8, Sarasota, Fl 34230
- (5) Manatee County Environmental Management Dept. P.O. Box 1000, Bradenton, Fl 34206-1000
- (6) Sarasota Bay National Estuary Program 5333 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, Fl 34234
- (7) Charlotte County Planning Dept. 18500 Murdock Circle, Pt. Charlotte, Fl 33948-1094

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