Thinking of starting a watercraft inspection/boat stewardship program?

Please review the checklist below.

- 1. Does at least one organization involved in the effort have workers compensation coverage and at least 1 million dollars in liability insurance coverage?
 - If yes, proceed to question #2.
 - If no, is there a potential stakeholder that can provide this coverage?
- 2. If you do not have a corps of volunteers to act as stewards do you have the funds to pay for one to two boat stewards to work 8-10 hours per day two days a week from Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day weekend?
 - Estimated cost of a part-time stewards' salary and fringe is \$6,000 to \$8,000 per season (\$12.25/hour). Please note that these are cost estimates and funds needed may vary from region to region.
- 3. Do you have additional funds for equipment for stewards: camp chairs, table for handouts, education and outreach materials, floating keychains, etc.?
- 4. If you are planning to fund your program through grants is your organization or your fiscal agent registered as a 501(c)3? Do you have someone designated as the grants and development person? If this person does not have prior experience writing grants and tracking deliverables, do they have access to resources to help with the task?
- 5. If you choose to fund your program only through grants are you aware that funding from individual grants is not guaranteed, is usually available for 1 3 years, and that you will have to apply for grants each year for the life of your program?
- 6. Do you have a chosen method for providing stable funding for your program? If not, please see additional information on the following pages.