

## U.S. COAST GUARD ANNUAL WEST COAST FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT REPORT

The U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) will present an annual report covering its West Coast fishery enforcement and fishing vessel safety monitoring efforts for the past year, including enforcement hours, boarding, and detected violations. Joint efforts with other fisheries enforcement agencies, involvement in regional fisheries management programs, and the future outlook of USCG fishery enforcement efforts will also be discussed.

### **Council Task:**

### **Discussion.**

### Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item E.1.b, USCG Report.

### Agenda Order:


- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Annual U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

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02/13/09



# United States Coast Guard Districts Eleven & Thirteen




**11th District (D11)**

**RDML Paul Zukunft**  
- District Commander

**CDR Brian Thompson**  
- Enforcement Branch Chief

**LTJG Brittany Steward**  
- Fisheries Enforcement Coordinator

**Ms. Peg Murphy**  
- Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinator



**13th District (D13)**




**RADM John Currier**  
- District Commander

**CDR Peter Martin**  
- Enforcement Branch Chief

**Mr. Brian Corrigan**  
- Fisheries Enforcement Coordinator

**Mr. Dan Hardin**  
- Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinator



Pacific Fishery Management Council  
March 2009




# 2008 Fisheries Enforcement Report



- > **CG Involvement in the process**
- > **D13/D11 Resources Updates**
  - > **Competing Responsibilities**
- > **2008 Fisheries Enforcement Activity Summary**
  - > **Partnership Efforts**
- > **Fishing Vessel Safety Issues**
- > **HSDN / IUU Enforcement Efforts**
- > **Future of CG Fisheries Enforcement Program**








## *OCEAN GUARDIAN Strategic Plan*

**OCEAN GUARDIAN Objectives**

- 1) *Prevent Encroachment of the U.S. EEZ*
- 2) *Ensure Compliance with Domestic Fisheries Regulations*
- 3) *Ensure Compliance with International Agreements*






## *Living Marine Resources Partnerships*

**Pacific Fishery  
Management Council**

Pacific States Marine  
Fisheries Commission

Marine Mammal  
Stranding Network

National Marine  
Sanctuary Advisory  
Councils

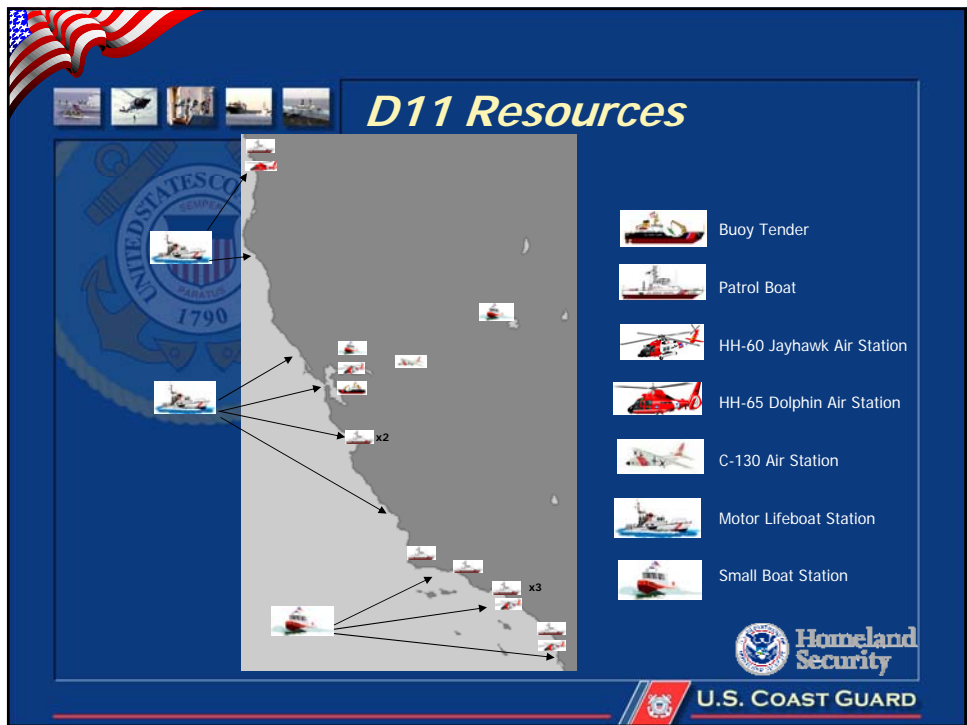
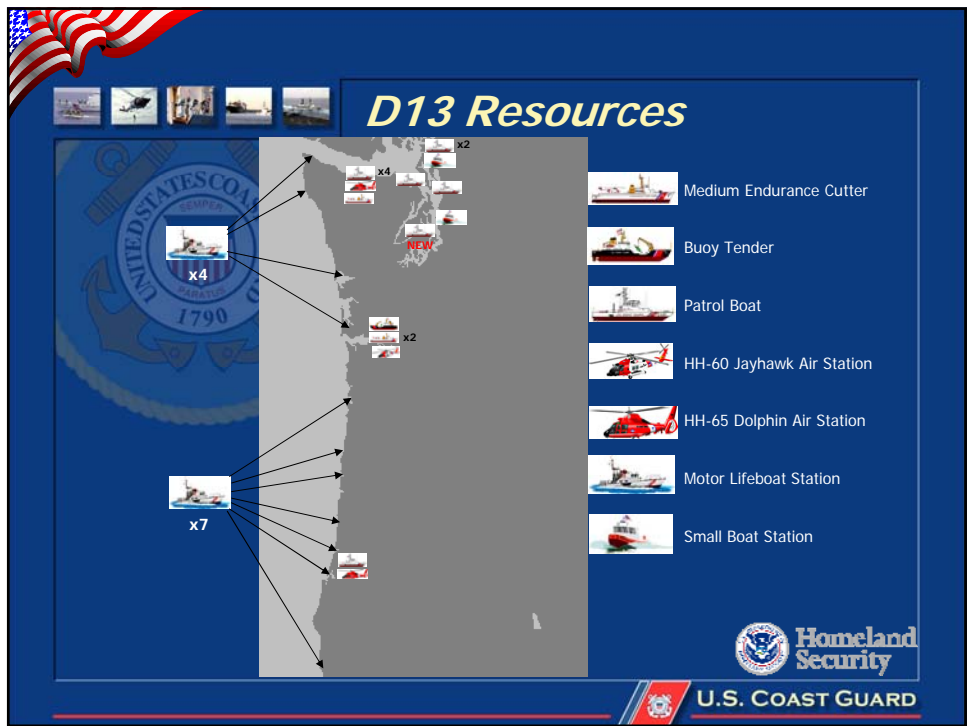
International Pacific  
Halibut Commission

U.S./Canada Tuna  
Treaty Deliberations

Partnering Agency  
Orca Whale Recovery  
Plan








## Coast Guard Operations

### Just Another Day in the Coast Guard

*14 lives saved*  
*193 boardings*



**Living Marine Resources  
(Fisheries Enforcement)**

*12 hazardous spill responses*  
*78 SAR cases*



*123 people in distress assisted*  
*22 illegal migrants interdicted*



*25 waterfront facilities inspected*  
*\$8.4 million of drugs seized*



*21 commercial vessels inspected*







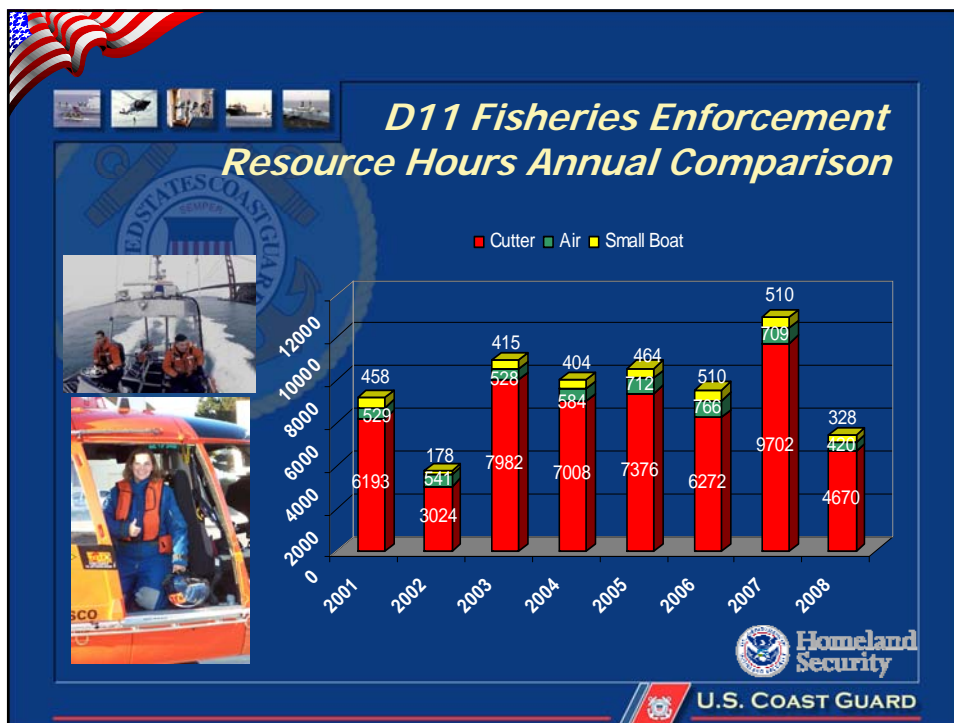
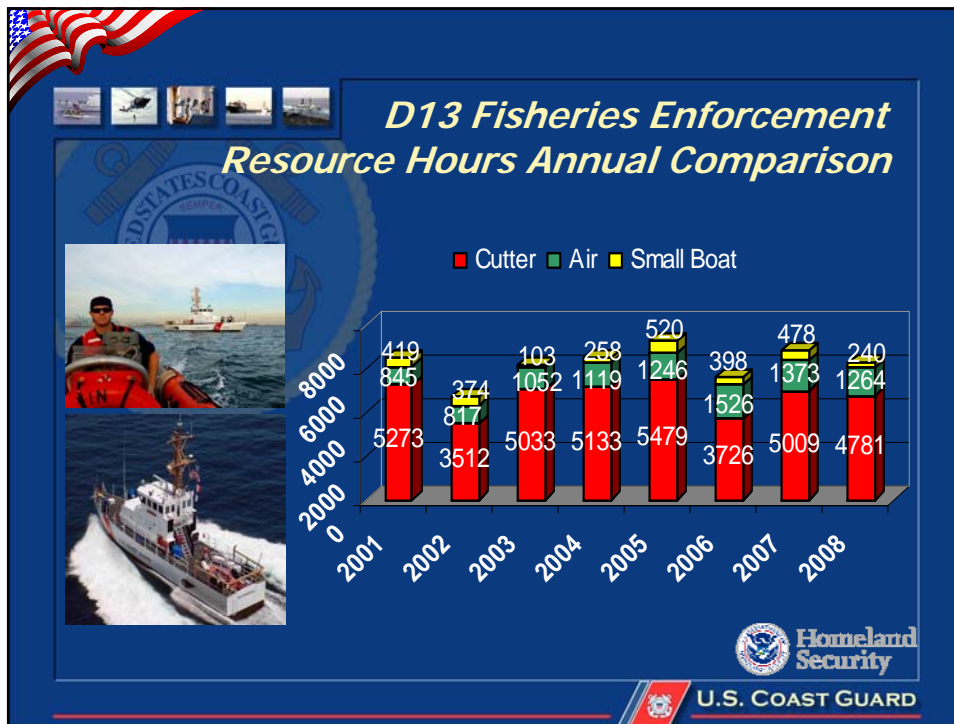


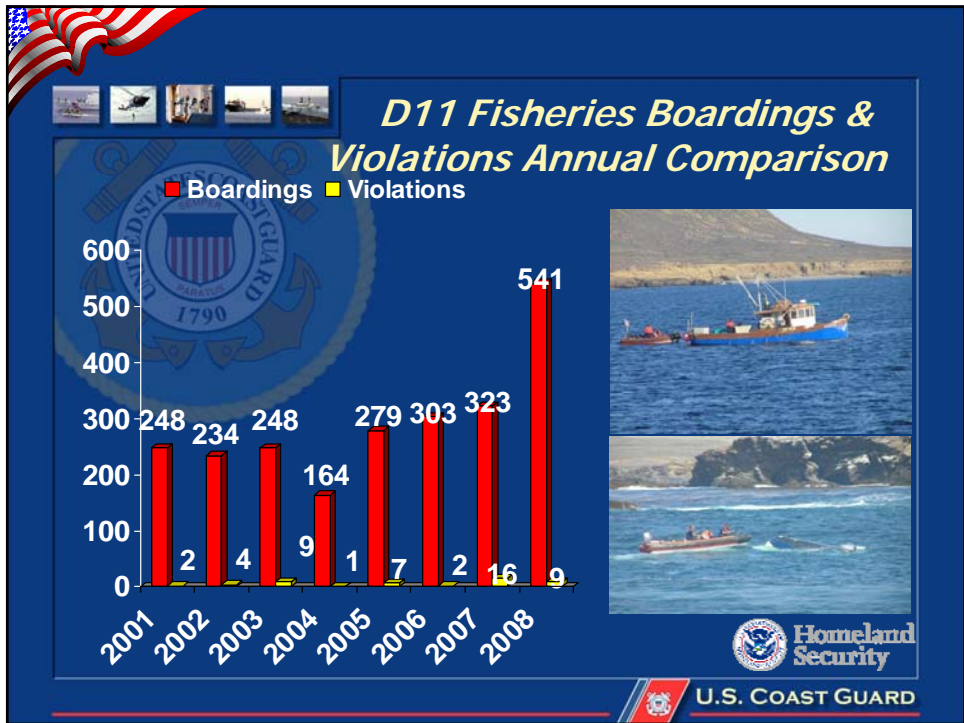
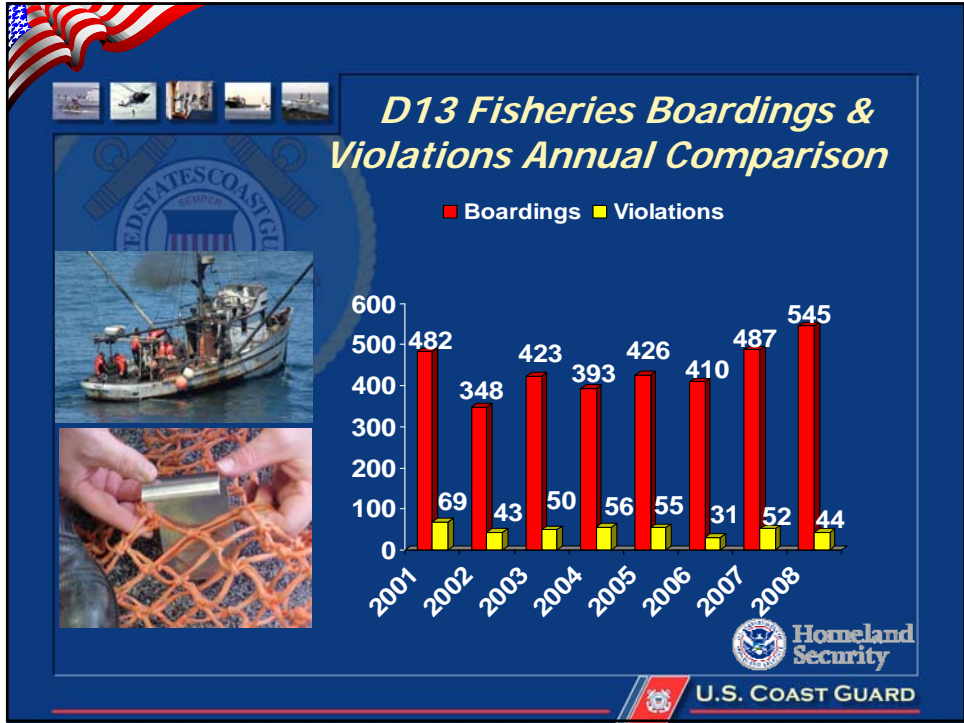
## Fisheries Enforcement Training

- *Annual training for all units*
  - *2008 in D11 and D13:*
    - *92 unit visits*
    - *409 personnel*
    - *8,180 training hours*
  - *Classroom & Hands-on*
  - *Partnering agencies involved*
    - *80% of sessions involved other agencies*
    - *Industry members also involved*







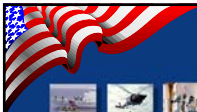




## Joint Enforcement Initiatives

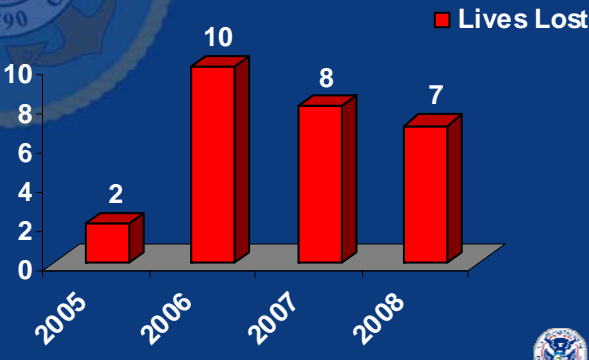
- > **Recent & Current Initiatives**
  - > Shared patrol schedules
  - > Quarterly planning meetings
  - > Co-location at CG units
  - > Joint Task Forces & Patrols





- > **2008 Highlights**
  - > Joint Investigations & Operations

## Commercial Fishing Vessel Lives Lost U.S. West Coast



Year	Lives Lost
2005	2
2006	10
2007	8
2008	7








## Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Program

- > **Operation Safe Crab**
  - > Nearly 200 vessel inspections each year
- > **Safety Decal Program**
  - > 15-20% of West Coast Fleet Participates
  - > Decals valid for 2 years
- > **New Boarding Ladder Requirement**
  - > Effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009










## USCG Interaction With NOAA Observer Program

- > **Safety**
  - > Fishing Vessel Safety Training
  - > Notification of Unsafe Conditions
- > **Enforcement**
  - > Carriage Requirements
  - > Observer Treatment


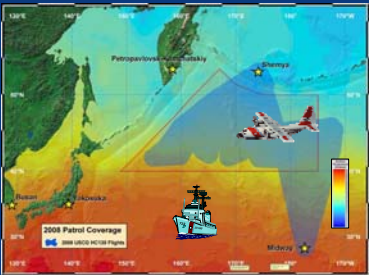





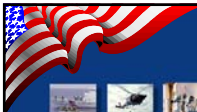





## High Seas Drift Nets / IUU Fisheries

- **CG Enforcement Relationships**
  - CG Pacific Area
  - NPAFC (CG District 17)
  - WCPFC (CG District 14)
  - Joint Enforcement Planning








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## High Seas Drift Nets / IUU Fisheries

- **2008 Enforcement Efforts**
  - 97 USCG Cutter Days
  - 115 USCG C-130 Hours
  - Two Chinese Vessel Interdictions
    - September & October 2008



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## High Seas Drift Nets / IUU Fisheries

**> USCG Continued Efforts**

- > Assisting with Research
- > 2009 Enforcement Goals
  - > 90 Cutter Days
  - > 200 Aircraft Hours



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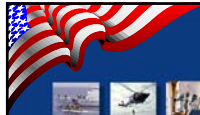

## Future Outlook







**> Into the Future...**

- CG Modernization
- Continued Management & Enforcement Partnerships


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# *Questions*



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