



# **Town of Cushing**

## Harbor Committee 9/12/2012

Harbormaster's  
Presentation

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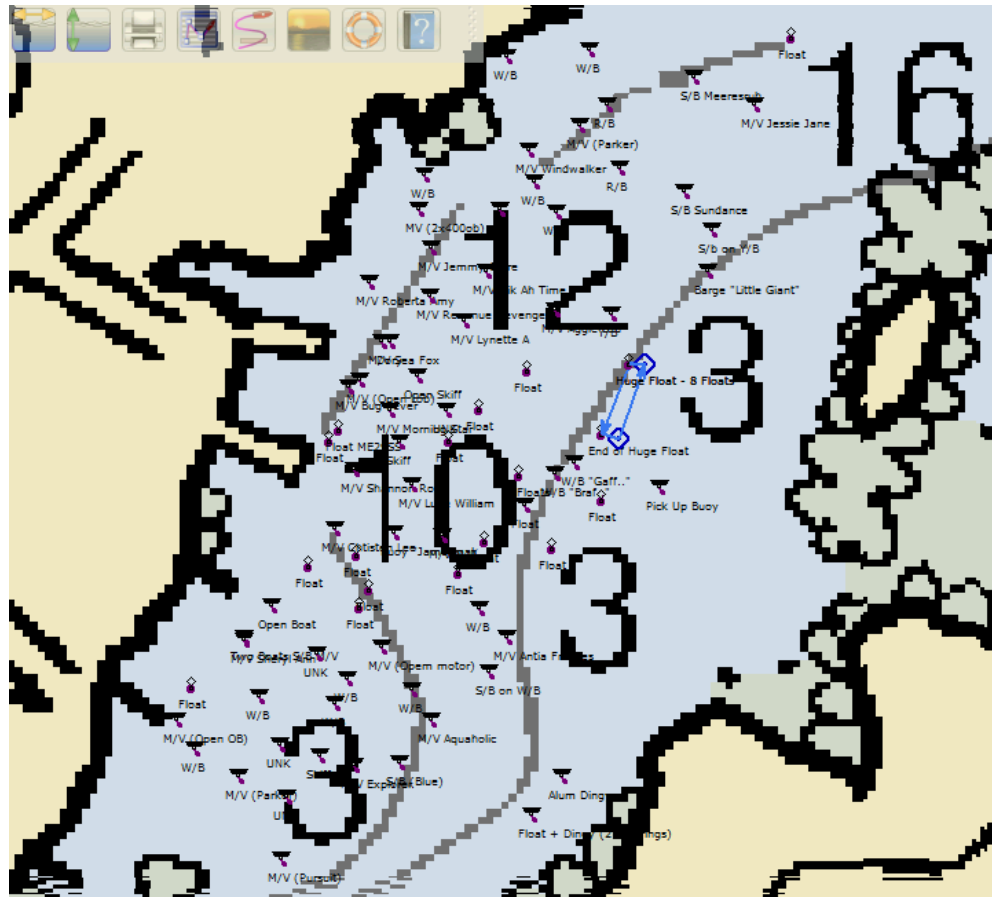
- Appointed 8/27/2012
  - First complaint that day!
- Harbormaster school in March 2013
- Spent morning with Dave Schmanska in St. George
  - Crash Course
- Notified USACE, CG and MP of change

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- Tasked by selectmen to:
  - Document all markers and digitally map them
  - Clean up any unpermitted or abandoned sites
  - Enforce compliance with the local coastal waters ordinance
  - Build a database of permits and make it available to all
- Working from the waters back to owners

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- Mapping has begun



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- Watch for the “Annie M” in your area!
  - Plotting actual positions
  - Storing the data electronically

A screenshot of a software window titled "Mark Properties". It has three tabs: "Basic", "Description", and "Extended". The "Basic" tab is selected. Inside, there's a "Properties" section with a "Name" field containing "M/V Luke William". Below it, "Show name" is checked, and there's an "Icon" dropdown menu showing "Mooring Bouy". Further down, "Latitude" is "043 57.3390 N" and "Longitude" is "069 17.9680 W". A "Description" section has a text area with "Owner: Danny Staples". At the bottom, there's a "Links" section with "Add" and "Edit" buttons, and a note "Links are opened in the default browser." "OK" and "Cancel" buttons are at the very bottom.

Yes – you are in Cushing and this is actually happening!

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- Cleanup will not start until all data is in and undocumented sites are identified.
  - If anyone can help me get data from my predecessor I would appreciate it.
- Enforcement will begin
  - Inappropriate mooring markers
    - By July 1, 2013 White or Red ball with clear, valid, owner identification
    - Lobster buoys do not count as site markers
  - I have more complaints about PPG wakes than anything else.
  - I will simply use technology – cameras, radar, etc.
- All notices, ramblings, forms on [www.cushing.maine.gov](http://www.cushing.maine.gov)
  - Get on the mailing list

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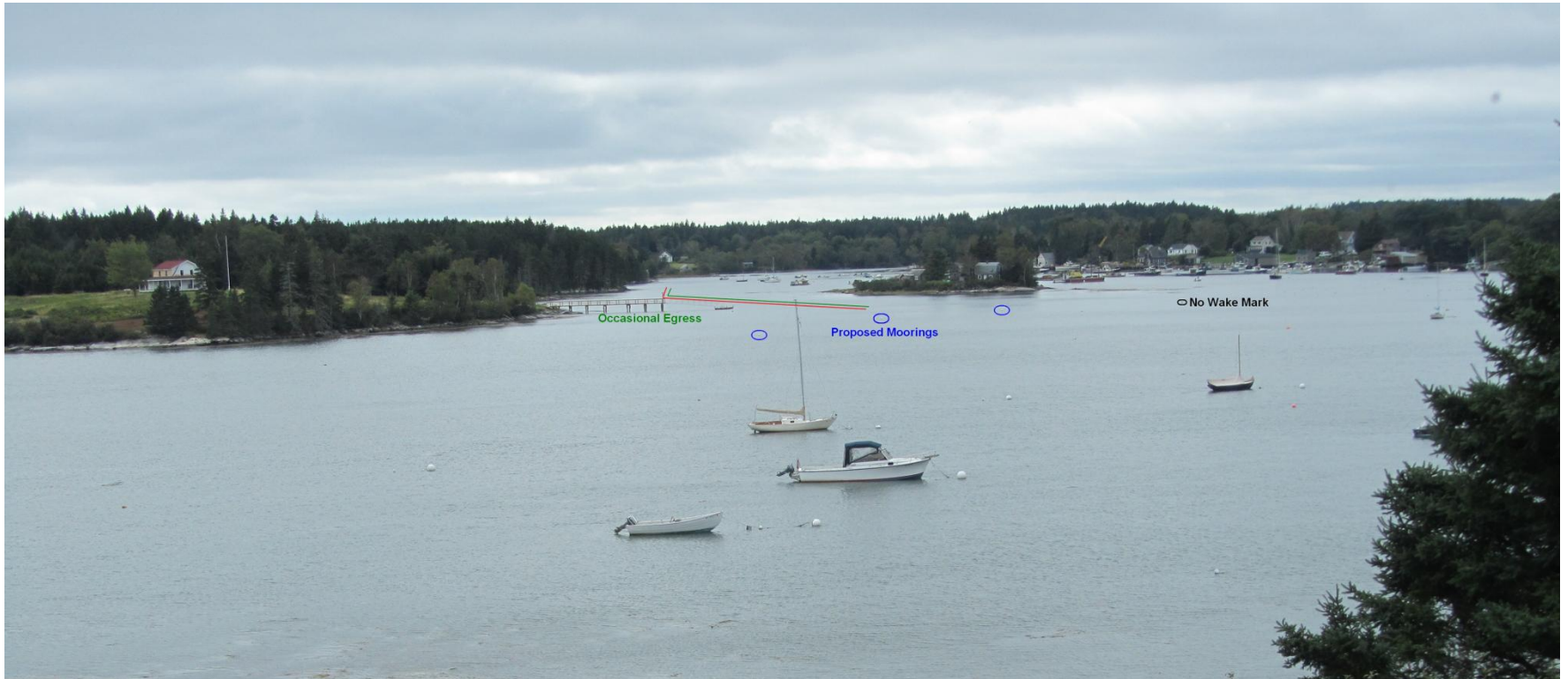
- So why are we here:
  - USACE is reviewing ordinance – small changes will be required
    - Enforcement wording must include LE agencies
    - Dave Schmanska recommends yearly permit renewals
  - Floats in the harbor
    - 8 float behemoth. 1 in harbor entrance. Some in deep water.
    - “Abandoned Float” in MJC - complaint
  - New moorings in the outer harbor
    - Interferes with the traditional boat routes
    - Blocking egress east of Flea Island
    - Mooring too close to ledge – possible boat damage



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- Mailing to town with reminders of rules
  - Soliciting permits, advise to get USACE permits, etc.
- Float folks must have USACE permit
  - I'll start checking
    - USACE files vs reality
- I suggest a marked channel
- Ordinance calls for speed limit from Green Can 5
- I suggest a line from my house to Robinson's to begin channel and speed limit.

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Thank you  
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