

NMMA 2018 Advocacy Accomplishments

BOATING INDUSTRY ON HAND FOR GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Mercury Marine participates with Department of Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke as he announces \$1.1 billion in boating and fishing grants.

CABINET LEVEL SPEAKERS AT ABC

Secretary of Interior Secretary Zinke and EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt address ABC attendees. Over 250 Industry members attend 180 Congressional meetings during the American Boating Congress.



SENATOR SPEAKS ON BENEFITS OF BOATING

"Recreational boating can increase quality of life and appreciation of the environment, but these benefits depend on clean water and healthy fisheries and ecosystems."

Sen. Tammy Baldwin (WI), Senate Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries and Coast Guard, July 24, 2018

SMOKER CRAFT TESTIFIES ON WORKFORCE AT U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

"Despite the hardships and obstacles of finding qualified employees, our company and the marine industry, have started to look for ways to equip potential employees with the necessary skills and discipline to enter our workforce. Simply put, we need skilled workers." - Peter Barrett, Smoker Craft Inc testifies at House Ways & Means Committee, April 12, 2018



USTR TESTIMONY

"The proposed tariff action would tax U.S. manufacturers without guaranteeing the objectives outlined by USTR in its Section 301 report, and significantly increases the risk of Chinese retaliation on U.S. products." NMMA's VP Nicole Vasilaros Testifies during United States Trade Representative

CABINET MEETINGS

Doug Smoker, President of Smoker Craft met with U.S. Secretary of Commerce Wilbur Ross in June to discuss the Administration's trade policies.

CONGRESS INTRODUCES 3 BOATING SPECIFIC PIECES OF LEGISLATION

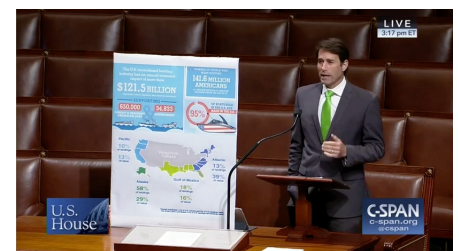
Champions in the House of Representatives acknowledged the importance of America's 142 million recreational boaters, by designating June 2 - 10, 2018 as National Fishing and Boating Week (H. Res. 871), introducing a bill to educate consumers on E15 (H.R.5855) and introducing a bill to protect the marine industry from tariffs (H.R. 6528).

NMMA MEETS WITH WHITE HOUSE

NMMA staff met with members of the White House to discuss trade at a transportation roundtable.

NMMA ON THE HOUSE FLOOR

Rep. Garret Graves (LA) shows NMMA Economics during House floor debate.



VIRGINIA LOOKS TOWARDS THE FUTURE

Virginia State Delegate Jay Leftwich introduces and passes bill that provides boat/engine manufacturers flexibility to develop new drive technologies for towed water sports.

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BOATPAC FUNDRAISERS

BoatPAC hosted Rep. John Garamendi (CA) for a fundraising event raising \$25,000 for his re-election. To date BoatPAC has hosted 10 fundraisers in Washington, DC.

ADVOCACY AT BOAT SHOWS

NMMA hosts high level officials during Miami, Atlanta and Atlantic City boat shows.



22 APPROPRIATION REQUESTS

For the first time in nearly a decade, NMMA outlined specific federal funding requests including money for the Outdoor Satellite Account, AIS and Everglades.

THREE LOCAL ROUNDTABLES AT NMMA MEMBER COMPANIES

Rep. Vern Buchanan (FL) discussed tax and trade at Correct Craft roundtable. Delegate Jay Leftwich (VA) discussed workforce development at Volvo-Penta roundtable. Sen. Claire McCaskill (MO) discussed trade with Lowe Boats.

HOSTED 3 MINI FLY-INS

Industry members attended 3 mini fly-ins in DC to talk trade, fishing and ethanol.

SEVEN CONGRESSIONAL BOATING CAUCUS EVENTS

The Congressional Boating Caucus has held four events tackling issues such as fisheries, the outdoor recreational economy, the state of the boating industry and the importance of E-15 labeling and fuels.

NMMA & BIOBUTANOL

Rep. Buddy Carter (GA) explains the benefits of biobutanol and references NMMA and NMMA studies during House Energy & Commerce Committee, April 13, 2018.



STATE-OF-THE-MONTH

NMMA introduces the “state-of-the-month” advocacy campaign, includes meetings with all Congressional members and highlighting the economy in that state.

MODERN FISH ACT ON THE MOVE

The Modern Fish Act has passed the House of Representatives and the Senate Commerce Committee, the most positive movements for this bill in recent times.

21 PLANT TOURS IN 2018

How can we help you train your future workforce? It is a top priority for the legislature.” – South Carolina Senator Kent Williams during a tour of Groupe Beneteau’s facility in Marion, S.C.