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May 22, 2024

Thomas J Harris
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Re: NOTICE OF PROPOSED SEIZURE OF VESSEL OR 265 KX

Dear Mr. Harris:

A 1979 Winesett Yachts sailing vessel, 26' in length, with Hull Identification Number WNE000050479, registration number OR 265 KX, was observed May 16, 2024, aground and on her side, 45° 35'14.2" N 122° 45'52.6" W. The vessel meets the statutory definitions of a "derelict vessel" due to it being in imminent danger of sinking.

Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) records indicate that ownership of this vessel was transferred to you on February 25, 2024. As the owner, it is your responsibility to register the vessel and remove it. If you fail to remove the vessel prior to the date specified in this notice, the OSMB will be authorized to seize the vessel. Furthermore, you may be cited for failure to remove the vessel. If the vessel is seized, you will be liable for the costs of salvage, towing, and storage of the vessel. If the costs of salvage, towing, and storage are not paid, the vessel may be destroyed or sold, and you will remain liable for unpaid costs.

To prevent the seizure of your vessel and possible citation for failure to remove a derelict vessel, you must move the vessel to a location where it can be lawfully kept prior to the following date and time:

10:00 AM, June 5, 2024

You have the right to request a hearing to challenge the seizure of the vessel. If you wish to request a hearing, you must submit your request in writing to the OSMB prior to the deadline given above. You must indicate the specific grounds on which the seizure of the vessel is challenged.

If you have questions, please contact Phil Hudspeth at the Oregon State Marine Board, at 503-856-2914 or phillip.hudspeth@boat.oregon.gov.

Sincerely,

Phil Hudspeth,
Boating Policy and Environmental Coordinator