On November 19, 2019, Barnacle Bill’s marina applied for a CVA grant replacing the original pump-out station, updating piping and connections to the lift station, adding a pump-out onto a boat, and remodeling two bathrooms. The original, projected cost for this project was $197,810.00, while the final cost was $207,014.56. The final cost increased due to the COVID-19 pandemic causing materials to increase in price; however, the marina will only be awarded 75% of the original, projected cost.

Ron and Fran Holloway bought the marina June 4, 2019 and were anxious to begin renovations to bring the standards up from just a marina to a resort area for the locals and boaters. The original marina could withstand the number of visitors and boaters already in the area, but they had plans to increase the number of people by building a two story bar, more cabins on shore, and more deck room for boaters to park. They applied for the CVA grant to replace the old pump-out with a newer model to handle more boaters, replace any sewage lines, boat decking, and miscellaneous parts to place the pump-out closer to the slips and further out on the dock for visiting boaters, add a pump-out to a boat, and remodel the two outdated restrooms on the marina deck.

On June 23, 2021 Cory Beights and Cheryl Dirck performed a site visit at the marina. Cory reviewed the two restrooms and said they were just fine since the remodeled bathrooms did not increase the amount of sewage to be managed. He did look at the pump-out station that was installed about 175 feet further out on the dock from the old one. He made sure the pipelines were connected correctly and within DEQ regulations. They also replaced a few hoses, tubing, pipes, and floating dock pieces from wear and tear of boaters and weather. They bought a pump-out to place on a boat that sits behind the restrooms so they can help boaters on the lake. I had to remind them the grant only allows a $5.00 charge per boat, but they would probably not charge locals, only out of town visitors. The pump-out boat will assist boaters who choose not to travel to the marina to pump out their onboard sewage.

The Holloways upgraded the marina to a partial resort and have several ideas for the future to bring in more people to Lake Tenkiller. Right now, they are the only marina within a three to five mile
radius with a pump-out station. They wanted the pump-out boat right away to assist the increase of boaters along with updating the marina for increased visitors to Lake Tenkiller.

Remodeled Marina to a Resort/Pump-out Boat behind the floating restrooms
Photo Series #2. Barnacle Bills Marina & Resort  June 23, 2021
Pump-out Boat and 2 floating remodeled restrooms with a laundry room/Women's Bathroom with 3 stalls and Men's Bathroom with 2 urinals and 1 stall
Pump-out Station, hoses, tubing, pipes, and floating platforms replaced from deterioration