

Cross Timbers Marina

Skiatook Lake

Oklahoma DEQ congratulates Cross Timbers Marina
on Skiatook Lake for completing the
Clean Marina Program.



May 1, 2023



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Clean Marina Program Site Visit Record

CMP Date:	February 13, 2023
DEQ Staff:	Cheryl Dirck – Environmental Program Specialist
Marina Name:	Cross Timbers Marina
Marina Address:	12301 Marina Drive
City/County/State/Zip:	Sperry/Tulsa County/Sperry/OK/74073
Name of Water Body at Marina:	Skiatook Lake
Marina Contact Name/Phone:	Hank Spencer/918-906-1685 Levi Brown/918-740-6569
Start Date of CMP:	May 1, 2023
End Date of CMP:	May 1, 2026

On February 13, 2023, Cheryl Dirck, met with Levi Brown and Hank Spencer of Cross Timbers Marina and assisted them with their application for the Clean Marina Program (CMP). Mr. Hank Spencer and Mr. Levi Brown liked the idea of the CMP and were very interested in applying for the program. Cross Timbers Marina is recognized under the National Clean Marina program and would like to be a part of the Oklahoma CMP. Mr. Spencer would like to be the first marina on Skiatook Lake to qualify and be recognized under the Oklahoma CMP.

The self-assessment guide and check list were reviewed section by section and Ms. Dirck answered all their questions. Mr. Brown mentioned that Suntex Marinas will be visiting soon to make an assessment of the overall marina process and procedures.

INSPECTION HIGHLIGHTS:

- 1) Clean and organize marina throughout the ship store, restaurant, boat dock, and maintenance shop
- 2) Nicely organized and aesthetic rocks, sediment, vegetation, and trees placed along shore to reduce runoff into the lake
- 3) Boat maintenance shop is well organized to prevent accidents and hazardous spills on the premises or into the lake. All hazardous materials and liquids are in regulated containers, marked, and stored away properly. The marina hires environmental companies to dispose of excess liquids and hazardous materials.
- 4) Proper spill equipment tubs are placed properly throughout the marina; staff are trained for any emergencies
- 5) Fueling stations are properly maintained, cleaned, and managed efficiently by employees
- 6) They offer recycling in well anchored, closed bins. Trash is contained throughout the marina and boat docks, and dumpsters are clean and away from the lake to prevent any trash blowing and causing any pollution for Skiatook Lake
- 7) Continuously informing boat slip renters the importance of best management practices (BMP) on the lake, storing their boat, and any maintenance required on their boat through newsletters and Facebook posts.

Final score after February 13, 2022, visit:

Area 1 = 76.47%

Area 2 = 87.5%

Area 3 = 86.67%

Area 4 = 89.47%

Area 5 = 38.89%

Area 6 = 62.5%

Area 7 = 90.91%

Goal is to be at 100% for each area by May 1, 2023.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Continue to implement best management practices (BMP) with the processes the marina is currently performing. I recommend performing the following practices to bring the marina, boat dock, restaurant, and maintenance shop up to 100% scoring on the self-assessment guide:

- a) Be vigilant with the restaurant and maintenance shop with their disposal of hazardous materials, antifreeze, rags, batteries, used booms, and any liquids that should be properly disposed of per environmental regulations. Create a disposal plan. Make sure all spills and clean up processes use chemical free products.
- b) Keep an eye on boaters disposing of bilge water when possible. Consider placing security cameras where you think they might dispose of the bilge water in the lake. Look for hidden areas that boaters might dispose of improper liquids or trash and place cameras in those hidden areas.
- c) Offer regular training to employees about spills, fuel stations, pump-out stations, and any other BMPs. Don't just offer the training at the beginning of their hire, but throughout the year. Do surprise scenarios during busy season to see if they truly know how to handle any incidents that could possibly occur on their shift.
- d) Continue to provide informational pamphlets or emails about BMPs for boat owners, restaurant employees, and boat maintenance employees in a timely manner. Be creative so it is not the same information each time.
- e) Develop a Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plan (SPCC) for possible oil/gas spills if you do not already have one. You can find links in the guidebook to develop a simple plan.
- g) Offer volunteer clean-ups within the community. It is their community and the people living and visiting in that area like to keep their area trash free. It would provide free advertising and potential customers for future residents and boat renters.
- h) When storing old boat batteries, keep them covered from the weather and off the ground. Any acid that may leak could potentially seep into the ground and eventually into the lake.
- i) Move fire equipment within the regulations of 50' of potential disasters
- j) Continue to place appropriate placards/labeling on the front and top of the barrel to show contents. Follow the hazardous waste disposal regulations per DEQ's disposal plan. Make sure ALL EMPLOYEES at the marina, boat dock, and restaurant know about emergency plans for spills, where the MSD sheets are from OSHA, and what to do in an emergency. Keep them up to date with any changes made at the marina.
- k) Use rain barrels to water vegetation and lake water to power wash the dock.

FOLLOW-UP:

As of May 1, 2023, Mr. Brown completed his goal to achieve 100% on all areas of recommendations. See red highlighted notes with updates from Cross Timbers Marina email.

I am proud to announce Cross Timbers Marina has been awarded our first completed CMP on Skiatook Lake. They have reached the 100% goal status and continue to implement environmental and sustainable practices for Skiatook Lake. Keep up the GREAT work!

From: Brown, Levi <lbrown@suntex.com>
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2023 3:55 PM
To: Cheryl Dirck <Cheryl.Dirck@deq.ok.gov>
Cc: Spencer, Hank <hspencer@suntex.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Cross Timbers Marina CMP

Cheryl,

Please see the below from the assessment!!

- a. Be vigilant with the restaurant and maintenance shop with their disposal of hazardous materials, antifreeze, rags, batteries, used booms, and any liquids that should be properly disposed of per environmental regulations. Create a disposal plan. Make sure all spills and clean up processes use chemical free products.
We do have proper disposal of all chemicals and waste of hazardous materials. Booms on site. Place to store used batteries when waiting for pickup from vendor. Barrels for disposal of antifreeze and oils.
- b. Keep an eye on boaters disposing of bilge water when possible. Consider placing security cameras where you think they might dispose of the bilge water in the lake. Look for hidden areas that boaters might dispose of improper liquids or trash and place cameras in those hidden areas.
This is not possible. I feel this is unrealistic. The bilge pumps are designed to remove excess water in the bilge of the boat. There is no other place to dispose bilge water than in the lake unless the boat is pulled out of the water. Some customers do not have trailer for their boats and pay us to keep there boats at the marina. Also, if there was a boat taking on water and starting to sink, the bilge pump will remove that water in the boat back into the lake. If this did not happen, boats will sink left and right. Big safety on this one.

- c. Offer regular training to employees about spills, fuel stations, pump-out stations, and any other BMPs. Don't just offer the training at the beginning of their hire, but throughout the year. Do surprise scenarios during busy season to see if they truly know how to handle any incidents that could possibly occur on their shift.
CrossTimbers conducts monthly safety meetings for all full-time staff. All new hires go through a series of training at orientation after hired. We conduct a Dockhand University that goes through fueling, fire safety, fuel spills, pump outs, and electrical shock hazards.
- d. Continue to provide informational pamphlets or emails about BMPs for boat owners, restaurant employees, and boat maintenance employees in a timely manner. Be creative so it is not the same information each time.
Added a section for "Clean Marina" that touches base on best practices for clean marina when boating.
- e. Develop a Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure plan (SPCC) for possible oil/gas spills if you do not already have one. You can find links in the guidebook to develop a simple plan.
Spill prevention plan is in our CrossTimbers Action plan binder that is placed at our fuel dock, main office, and service shop. All new hires undergo training.
- f. Offer volunteer clean-ups within the community. It is their community and the people living and visiting in that area like to keep their area trash free. It would provide free advertising and potential customers for future residents and boat renters.
Not a whole lot to clean up as our property is kept up daily.
- g. When storing old boat batteries, keep them covered from the weather and off the ground. Any acid that may leak could potentially seep into the ground and eventually into the lake.
Batteries are now stored behind the shop on a pallet covered with a tarp until other storage container is purchased in late 2023.
- h. Move fire equipment within the regulations of 50' of potential disasters.
An additional fire extinguisher is now added within 50' of each fuel dispenser.
- i. Continue to place appropriate placards/labeling on the front and top of the barrel to show contents. Follow the hazardous waste disposal regulations per DEQ's disposal plan. Make sure ALL EMPLOYEES at the marina, boat dock, and restaurant know about emergency plans for spills, where the MSD sheets are from OSHA, and what to do in an emergency. Keep them up to date with any changes made at the marina.
All oil drums are labeled with the correct placards. Waste disposal plan in place with vendors that pick up our used oil and other waste. As stated above, we have all new employees go through training touching base on emergency and spill plans.
SDS sheets are up to date and in place at our main office and service shop.
- j. Use rain barrels to water vegetation and lake water to power wash the dock.
2 new rain barrels in place at the ship store.

Additional Notes:

- 3 drainage signs in place (See attached graphic)
- New pump out in place with new PPE
- Recycling container on the way
- Pending approval for money on our new trailer for recycling material storage
- New fueling stickers are on the way for each fuel dispenser (large sign already in place at fuel dock)
- Extra booms are here at the marina for any spill (600ft Total)

Please let me know if you have any questions!!!



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Photo Series #1. Cross Timbers Marina. Skiatook Lake. February 13, 2023.

View of entire marina with boat dock, restaurant, and shop. Recognition of National CMP on sign.



Photo Series #2. Cross Timbers Marina. Skiatook Lake. February 13, 2023.

Spill bins properly placed around the marina and boat dock, informational signs, trash and recycle bins anchored and have lids on them to prevent trash blowing into the lake, and boat maintenance building properly storing hazardous liquids.

