ACRONYMS
BOATING ACCESS RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

AFS - *American Fisheries Society* (fisheries.org)
This is a professional association of certified fisheries scientists from state and federal wildlife agencies.

ALAB - *American League of Anglers and Boaters*
This is a strong alliance of the nation’s recreational fishing and boating advocacy organizations

AMI – *Association of Marina Industries* (merging of MOAA and International Marina Institute)
A marine trade organization which encompasses all segments of the marina industry both within the United States and around the world. (marinaassociation.org)

ASA - *American Sportfishing Association* (asafishing.org)
This association consists of fishing tackle manufacturers

ARC - *American Recreation Coalition* (funoutdoors.com)
This is a large coalition of recreation based agencies that promote recreation

BASS - *Bass Anglers Sportsmen Society* (bassmaster.com)
Represents the bass fishing industry

A group of boat owners who subscribe to the magazine Boat US.

IAFWA (also referred to as the "International") - *International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies* (iafwa.org)
A quasi-governmental organization of public agencies charged with the protection and management of fish and wildlife resource.

MEEF – *Marine Environmental Education Foundation* (cleanboating.com/meeff)
This group creates and presents educational programs that will result in cleaner waters for the boating public.

MRRA - *Marine Retailers Association of America* (mraa.com)
A national association representing boat dealers, marina operators and marina retailers

NASBLA - *National Association of State Boating Law Administrators* (nasbla.org)
A professional association that deals with boating safety and law enforcement.

NMMA - *National Marine Manufacturers Association* (nmma.org)
A group of boating and boating accessories manufacturers.
PWIA - *Personal Watercraft Industry Association* (pwia.org)
This group manufactures personal watercraft.

RBFF - *Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation* (rbff.org)
This Foundation was developed to implement national outreach strategy that will increase participation in recreational angling and boating.

SFBPC - *Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council* (sfbpc.fws.gov)
This group serves the American anglers and boaters as an official advisory body to the Director of the Secretary of Interior.

SOBA – *States Organization for Boating Access* (sobaus.org)
This organization is devoted to the acquisition, development and administration of public boating facilities nationwide.

USSA - *US Sailing Association* (ussailing.net)
This group encourages participation and promotes excellence in sailing and sailboat racing in the U.S.