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MEMORANDUM

To: Cressy Trophy SAISA Qualification Competitors

From: Regatta Chairman

Subj: Coach, parent and support boats

The high school sailing guidelines prohibit on the water coaching, communication and support w/sailors. From my perspective it doesn't prohibit boats actually going out on the water.

I'm planning to run the races as close to FYC as feasible. We have an area where we can sail right in front of the club and there is a long pier for watching the racing. If the wind blows out of the West and the shore blankets the breeze we will need to move further out in the river.

With that perspective in mind, if you want to bring a boat and go afloat you may. Coaching, communication and support includes passing gear, food, information, and drinks to and from a sailor. These actions are clearly prohibited pursuant to the sailing guidelines.

A coach or parent may interact with sailors when there is an onshore break between races. We'll likely sail a couple races and then come in periodically depending on the conditions. This will provide ample opportunity for the sailors to get whatever they need if they do so in a timely fashion. We'll likely also come in for a lunch break depending on the conditions.

We're working to make this a nice event and being able to go on the water would make it a nice weekend. The river is still warm and it's a nice venue for boating.

Hal Gilreath

Regatta Chairman