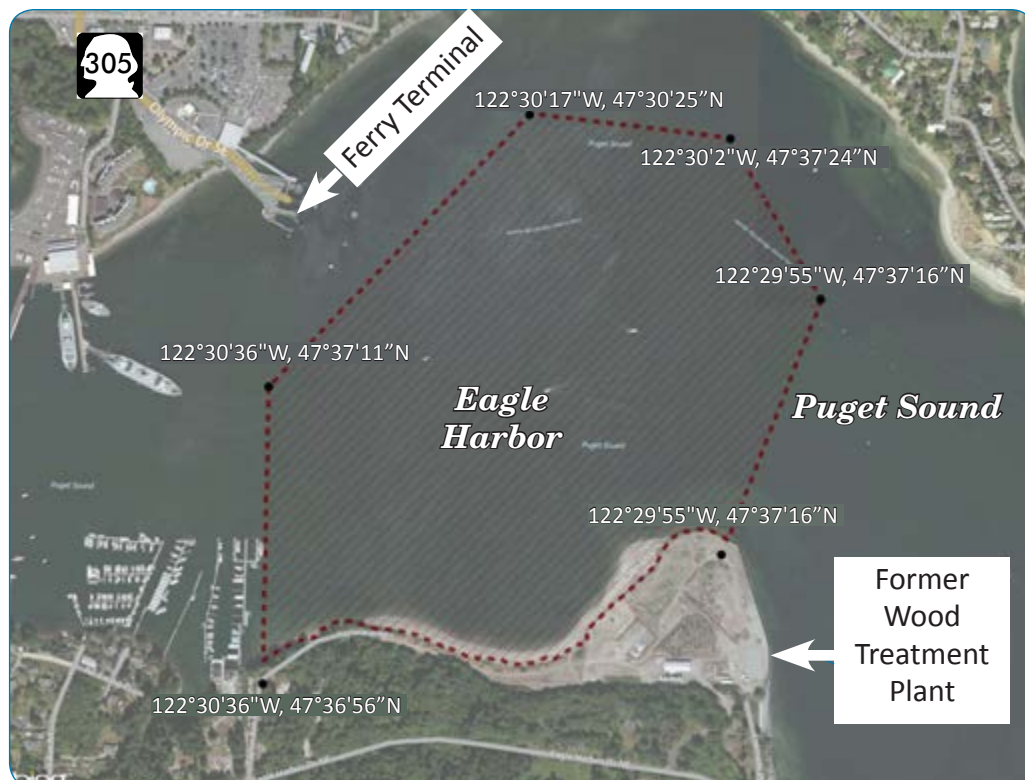


## Attention Boaters!

# 'No Anchor' area in Eagle Harbor

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Anchoring is prohibited over a large area in the eastern part of Eagle Harbor. The map shows the boundaries of the "Regulated Navigation Area."



*The "Regulated Navigation Area" within Eagle Harbor. Boaters are prohibited from anchoring, dredging, and other activities within its boundaries.*

## Why the 'No Anchor' restriction?

The sea floor in Eagle Harbor became heavily contaminated with creosote released from a former wood treating facility on the south side of the harbor. Creosote is a thick, oily, toxic liquid used to preserve rail road ties, utility poles and pier pilings. In the mid-1990s, to protect fish and other marine life, the EPA "capped" portions of Eagle Harbor by burying the contamination under a layer of clean sand. Anchoring could penetrate the sand cap, bringing contamination to the surface. It could also contaminate anchors and lines, exposing boaters to the contamination.

## What activities are prohibited?

The regulation, which can be found in the Coast Pilot and at 33 CFR 165.1307, states: "All vessels and persons are prohibited from **anchoring, dredging, laying cable, dragging, seining, bottom fishing, conducting salvage operations**, or any other activity which could potentially **disturb the seabed** in the designated area. Vessels may otherwise transit or navigate within this area without reservation."

To learn more about the Wyckoff site, visit the EPA's web site at: <http://go.usa.gov/kR7W>

For questions about the Regulated Navigation Area, or other mooring options in Eagle Harbor, contact **Tami Allen**, Harbormaster, [tallen@bainbridgewa.gov](mailto:tallen@bainbridgewa.gov) 206-780-3733.


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