

## CT DEP No Discharge Permit Application Groton and Mystic, Connecticut

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### Description

FHI was selected to prepare the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection's (CT DEP's) second No Discharge Area (NDA) application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for an NDA encompassing portions of Long Island Sound in Groton and Mystic. An NDA designation, per Section 312 of the Clean Water Act, prohibits discharge of untreated and partially treated boat sewage from Type I and Type II Marine Sanitation Devices (MSDs) within its boundaries. FHI's work included collection and analysis of water quality and coastal resource data, compilation of the application with accompanying maps/illustrations, and orchestrating an extensive public outreach effort. To assess the adequacy of existing pumpout facilities, as required by the application, FHI conducted a boat count survey of marinas in the NDA. FHI provided technical products from our project work to CT DEP for their future use, including website-ready information and GIS mapping.

### Client

Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection

