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First PumpOut Boat in North Texas

North Texas' first pump out boat will be christened by Mayor David Sweet of Rockwall in a ceremony at 6pm Saturday September 17 at Chandler's Landing patio at 1 Harbor View Circle - Rockwall, TX 75032 ([MAP](#)).

The public is welcome to attend.

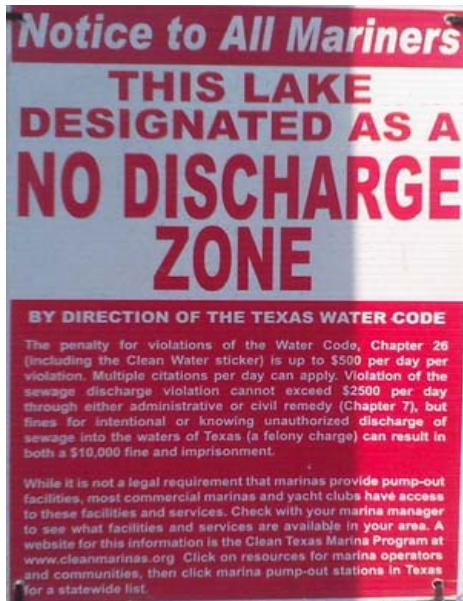
The boat will service vessels on Lake Ray Hubbard, Lake Lewisville, and Lake Grapevine which are popular boating destinations.

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“We are pleased to be working across municipal lines to make this unique water quality protection program a success,” Shawn Irvine said Friday. “This state-of-the-art pump-out vessel protects North Texas waters as well as the aquatic wildlife that lives in them.

Wastewater pump out is the least glamorous part of boating. So, boaters can now enjoy their weekend and let someone else do the dirty work. This helps keep Texas lakes clean through proper disposal of boater sewage. Boaters can now dispose of boat waste without ever having to leave their slip. The pumpout boat allows sewage to be removed from boats and then disposed of in an environmentally acceptable manner.



Help Us Keep Our Waterways Clean

When sewage is sent overboard, it can negatively impact both the environment and human health. Sewage contains disease-causing microorganisms and can reduce oxygen levels in water that fish and other aquatic species need to survive.

By direction of the Texas Water Code, the penalty for violation is up to \$500 per day per violation. Multiple citations per day can apply. Fines for intentional or knowing unauthorized discharge of sewage into the waters of Texas (a felony charge) can result in both a \$10,000 fine and imprisonment.

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About the Company

Ship Shape Services is a marine services company offering boat cleaning and detailing, compounding and waxing, gelcoat restoration and wastewater pumpout services in the Dallas area. They offer in-the-slip service and housecalls too while aspiring to provide customers with a superior quality of service at the lowest price possible. They believe "Boat Cleaning shouldn't cost the Earth" and their cleaning system is eco-friendly. They are licensed, insured, and family owned and operated since 2005.

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