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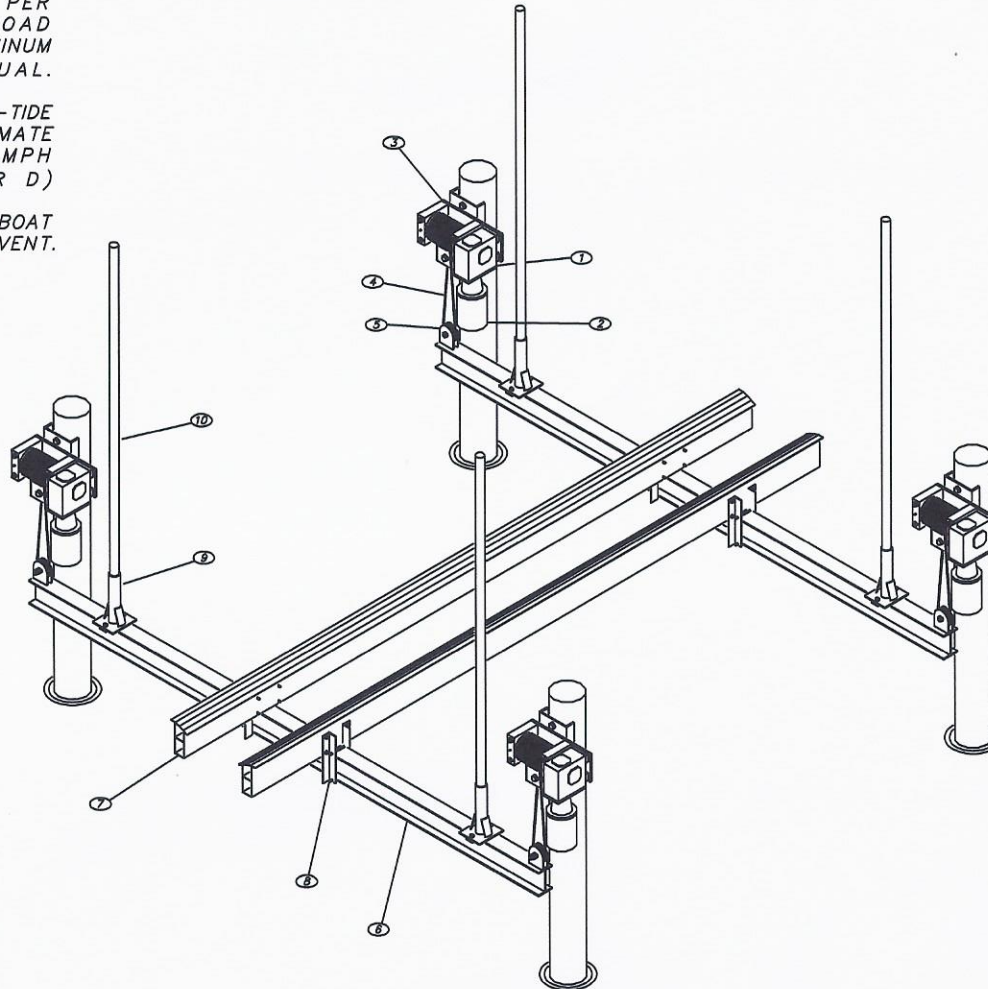
BOAT LIFT DRIVE UNITS AND SPECIFIED MOUNTING HARDWARE COMPLY WITH WIND LOAD REQUIREMENTS OF THE 2014 FLORIDA BUILDING CODE, PER ASCE 7, AND PER DESIGN LOAD REQUIREMENTS OF THE 2010 ALUMINUM ASSOCIATION'S DESIGN MANUAL.

DRIVE UNITS, INSTALLED AS PER HI-TIDE INSTRUCTIONS, WILL EXCEED ULTIMATE DESIGN WIND SPEED OF 170 MPH (EXPOSURE CATEGORY C OR D)

BOATS ARE TO BE REMOVED FROM BOAT LIFTS PRIOR TO A MAJOR WIND EVENT.

**PILINGS:**

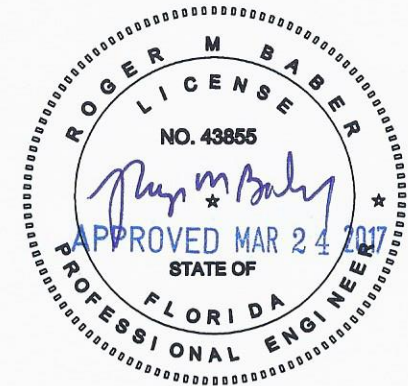
PILING PENETRATION TO BE 10' INTO THE SAND BOTTOM OR 5' INTO ROCK STRATA, SUB-SURFACE CONDITIONS CAN VARY GREATLY, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL VERIFY ALL PILE CAPACITIES TO COMPLY WITH FBC 2014. ALL PILINGS TO BE 10" MINIMUM DIAMETER 2.5 C.C.A PRESSURE TREATED WOOD, PRE-STRESSED CONCRETE OR COMPARABLE EQUIVALENT.



**ELECTRICAL REVIEW:**

1-1/2 HP ELECTRIC MOTOR  
 -- AMPS @ 115V EACH  
 9.6 AMPS @ 230V EACH  
 QUANTITY: 4  
 TOTAL WATTS: 8832

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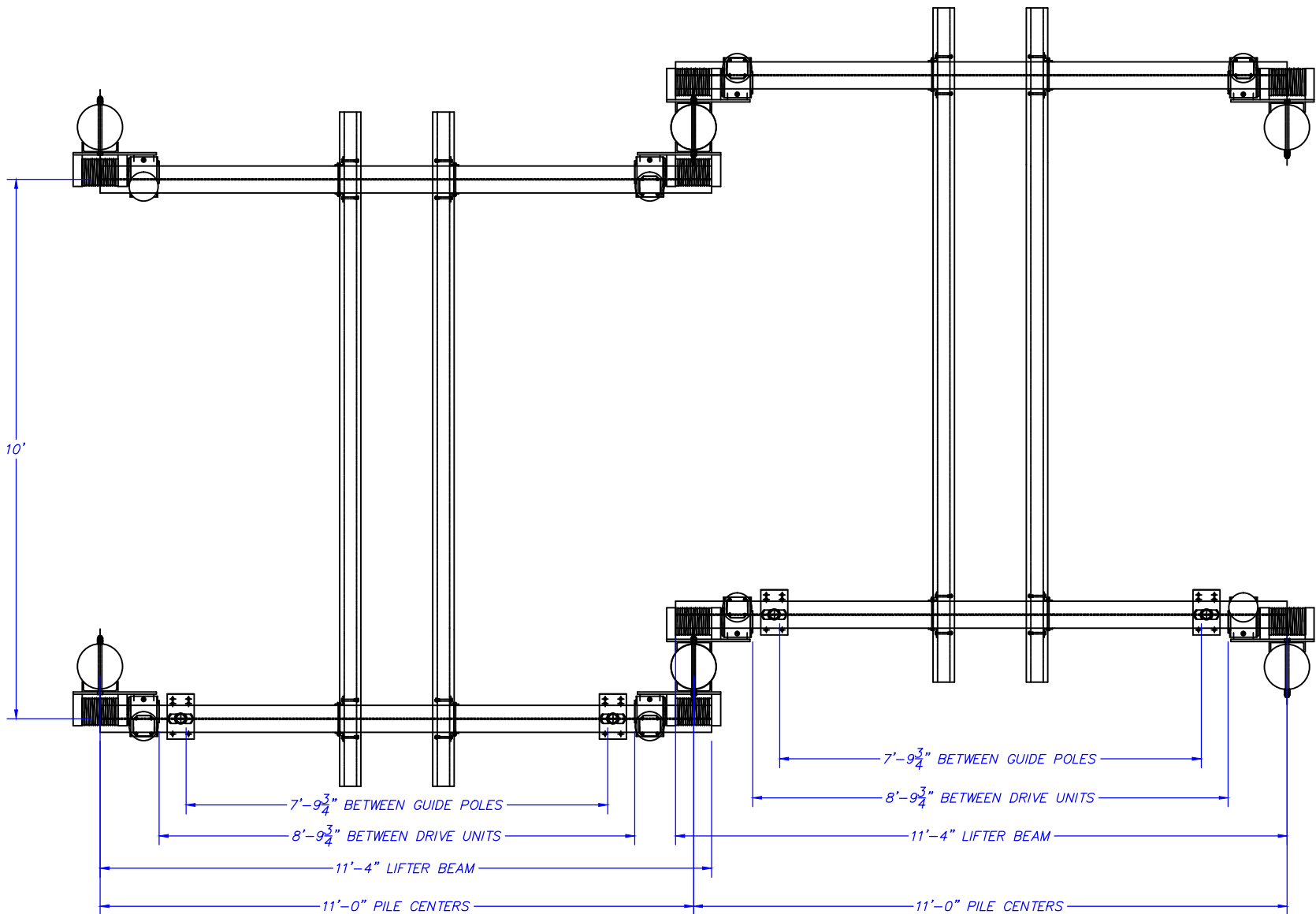
**PILING MOUNTING**  
 MINIMUM (2) 3/4" DIA. SS THRU  
 BOLTS FOR WOOD AND CONCRETE  
 PILINGS REQUIRED PER PILING TO  
 SECURE DRIVE UNITS PER FBC 2014.

10	PVC GUIDE POLES	4
9	GUIDE POLE BRACKETS	4
8	BUNK BRACKETS W/ HARDWARE	4
7	ALUMINUM BUNKS OR CARPETED WOOD BUNKS	2
6	LIFTER BEAM ASSEMBLY	2
5	4" ALUMINUM SHEAVE	4
4	5/16" X 30 SSAC TYPE 304	4
3	DRIVE UNIT ASSEMBLY	4
2	1-1/2 HP SS MOTOR	4
1	GEAR DRIVE GEAR BOX	4
	DESCRIPTION	QTY

16,000 LB. T2 TOPLESS X2  
 BOAT LIFT  
 R. HYDE SCALE: NTS DATE: 7/1/15 REV: 1



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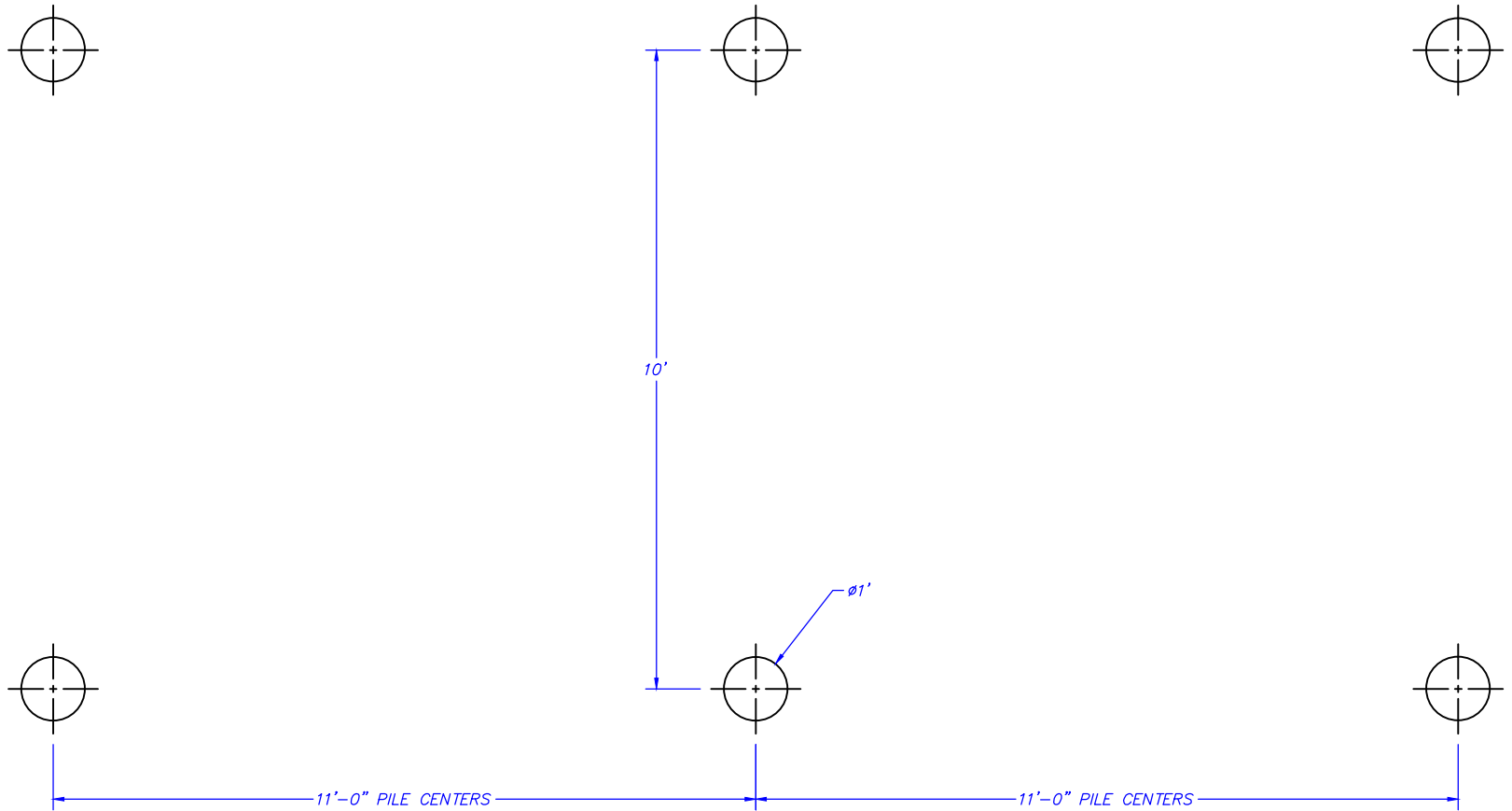


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**16,000 LB. T2 BOATLIFT**  
**ON SHARED PILINGS (11'-0" CENTERS)**

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**MOON BAY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION**

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**MOON BAY MARINA BOAT LIFT EVALUATION**

Dear Board of Directors:

The following is a summary evaluation of proposed and alternative boat lift installations for the Moon Bay Marina (Marina) in Key Largo, Florida. The Marina consists of three (3) piers. The approximate north and middle pier can be characterized as inner piers and consist of perpendicular slips along both sides. The southernmost pier extends northwest, then turns 90 degrees and continues northeast, defining the perimeter of the marina basin. Slips are orientated perpendicular to this pier as well, but only exist on the side within the marina basin. There are no finger piers extending from the three (3) main piers. Individual slips are delineated with timber mooring piles along the outer edge from the pier.

**OVERVIEW**

It is our understanding the approximate slip width in the Marina is 12'3", and an estimated required lift capacity is 12,000 pounds (lbs). Due to the presence of slips immediately adjacent, all lift components (i.e. piles, motor, cradle, etc.) are should be positioned within the approximate slip width. Although many standard lifts exceed the width limitation, modifications to certain lifts might be feasible, but may result in other constraints, which are discussed further herein.

The following boat lifts were evaluated:

Proposed

- Hi-Tide T2 Topless X2

Alternatives

- Golden Boat Lifts GatorVator (2 and 4 motor)
- Hurricane Boat Lifts Category 2
- Sunstream Sunlift
- HydroHoist Boat Lifts HarborHoist

The following models were considered, but discarded early in the review process for the below noted reasons:

- HydroHoist Ultralift 2
  - Manufacturer advised against installation in tidal waters.
- JetDock Air Dock
  - Slip width limitations would limit lift capacity below desired threshold.
- Neptune Boat Lifts Beamless
  - Similar to other four post, cradle lifts, but standard design significantly wider.
- Sunstream FloatLift
  - Required width for 10,000 lb and 13,000 lb, exceeds available slip width



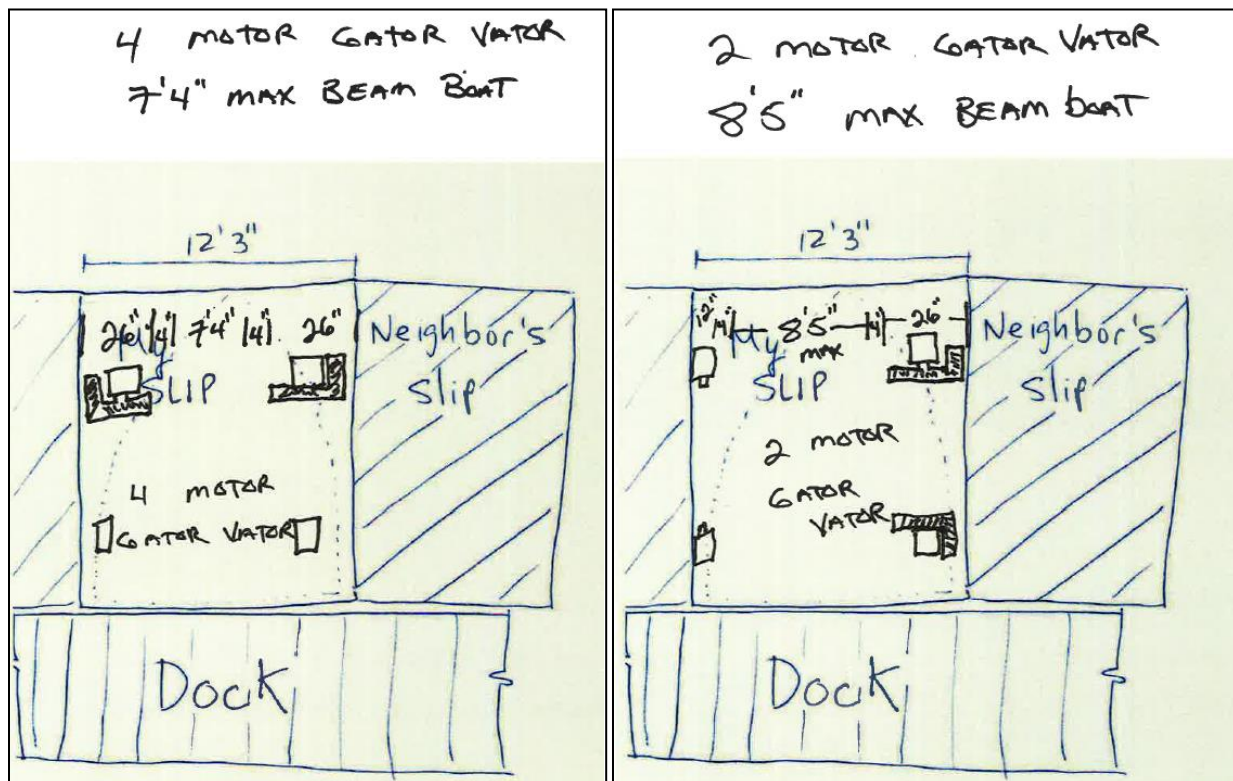


### Golden Boat Lifts GatorVator

The GatorVator is a four-post, beamless, cradle boat lift, with the option of two (2) or four (4) motors, from Golden Boat Lifts. Both motor configurations include a capacity of 14,000 lbs. The two (2) motor configuration requires less space for the reduced number of motors, and so the maximum vessel beam for a 12'3" wide slip would be approximately 9'1"; accounting for a manufacturer recommended 4" offset from guideposts on each side results in a vessel beam of 8'5". The maximum vessel beam for the four (4) motor configuration would be approximately 7'11", which would reduce to 7'3" with the aforementioned guidepost offsets. Please refer to Figure 2 below provided by manufacturer. According to the manufacturer, the advantages of the four (4) motor lift as compared to the two (2) motor, is the speed and a reduction in mechanical parts, as the cabling extends along the cradle over to the opposite pair of piling.

It should again be noted, a wider vessel beam could be achieved utilizing a lift with lift beams positioned at top of piles. The manufacturer stated the potential vessel beam could increase to approximately 10'2" with a beam cradle lift as compared to a beamless.

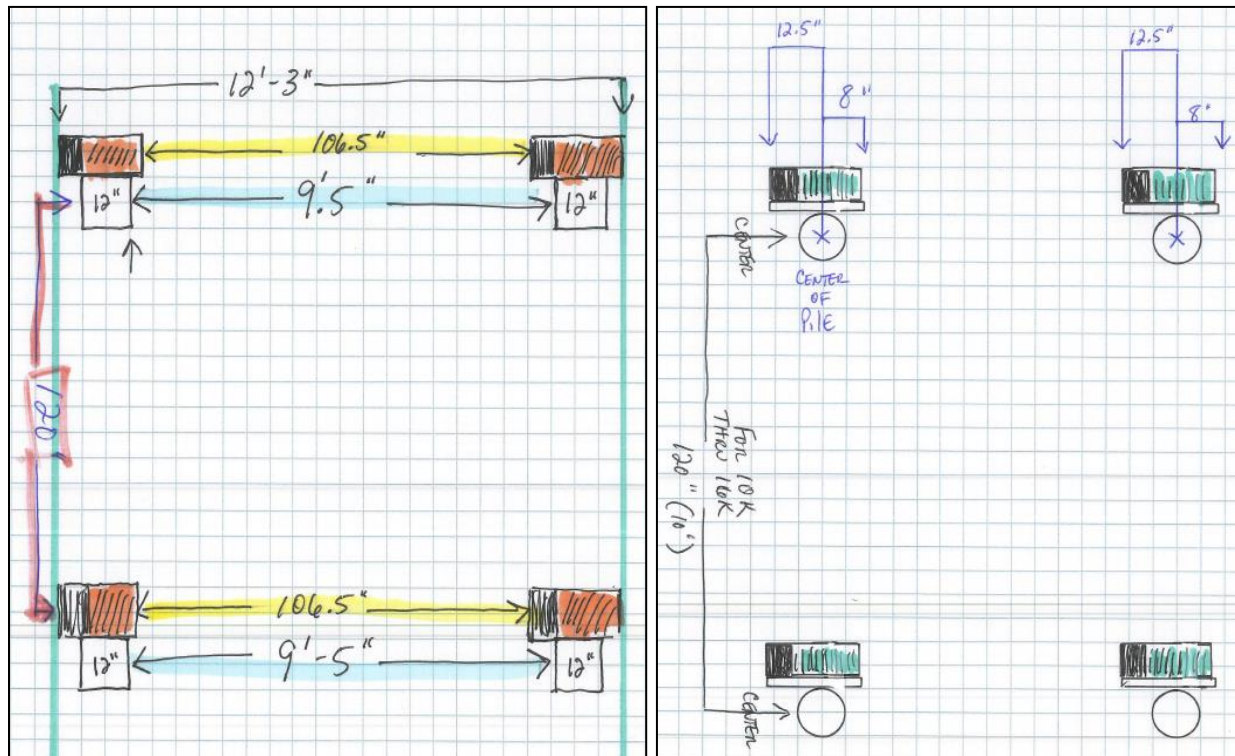
Figure 2: Sketch of 2-motor and 4-motor boat lift layouts provided by Golden Boat Lifts.



### Hurricane Boat Lifts Category 2

The Category 2, is a four-motor, four-post, beamless, cradle boat lift model from Hurricane Boat Lifts, with 10,000 lbs, 13,000 lbs and 16,000 lbs capacities available. The four (4) motors of the Category 2 boat lift would be mounted facing the marina pier. The manufacturer recommended mounting motors high enough on the piles to limit interference with the boat in an elevated position. For a slip width of 12'3", the center-to-center distance between the piles was estimated at 10'5", **considering 12" piles** and motor extension beyond pile footprint. Therefore, the resulting available width between piles would be approximately 9'5". Please refer to Figure 3 below provided by manufacturer. However, the manufacturer recommended a maximum vessel beam of 8'5" to accommodate guide posts and allow efficient navigation into slip. Utilizing 10" piles would result in a 2" increase of available width.

Figure 3: Sketch of boat lift layout with square and round piles provided by Hurricane Boat Lifts.

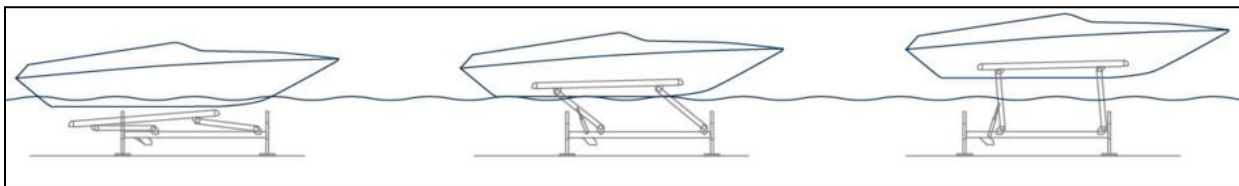


### ***Sunstream Sunlift***

The Sunlift is a hydraulic boat lift system by Sunstream. The Sunlift is positioned on the seabed, and therefore does not require piles or beams (i.e. beamless). Depending on the composition of the seabed (i.e. rock, sand, silt, etc.), the lift may require larger footings. The lift is stated to require a minimum water depth of 44", and can be positioned in water depths up to 20'. The 12,000 lbs model includes a support frame width of 11', and will lift the boat up to 60". It is our understanding the lift range should also consider the tidal variations in the water level. Due to the bottom support configuration the maximum vessel beam is equal to the slip width of 12'3". Guiding posts are stated to be optional, but would reduce the maximum vessel beam.

It should be noted regulatory approval from applicable environmental agencies to install the Sunlift on the seabed would likely be extremely difficult if not impossible.

Figure 3: Illustration of the Sunlift operation obtained from Sunstream.



### ***HydroHoist Boat Lifts HarborHoist***

The HarborHoist is a buoyancy cell boat lift available in 12,000 lbs and 16,000 lbs capacities. The width of the HarborHoist is customizable, with a minimum overall width of 9'. The available vessel beam is stated to be 2' less than the overall width of the lift. Therefore, for a slip width of 12'3", the theoretical maximum vessel beam is 10'3". However, the lift is required to be anchored in place either through the use of side piling or a cable system. The cable system would likely be difficult to employ within the confines of the available slip footprint. The minimum recommended pile size is 8", thus reducing the maximum vessel beam to 9'7". The manufacturer stated the potential for anchoring the lift with piles located at the front of the lift, but would require additional evaluation.

It should be noted, the HarborHoist is a buoyancy lift system and thus would still be exposed to wave energy and the potential for movement while accessing the vessel. However, the large, flat footprint, relative to the typical v-shaped hull of a vessel, and the anchorage to adjacent piles would help to dampen movement.

In order to position a vessel above potential wave energy and avoid significant movement, all boat lifts would likely require raising the forward deck, transom and/or gunnels of the vessel

above the elevation of the Marina pier. Therefore, a gangway might be required to safely access the vessel. The vessel could be positioned at a low enough elevation to provide level access with the Marina pier; however, this might introduce vessel movement due to wave energy, specifically at higher tide levels. In most cases, offsetting the buoyancy with partial support from the lift system will help to dampen vessel movement.

## **SUMMARY**

Nine (9) boat lift models were evaluated with regards to installation within a 12'3" slip at the Moon Bay Marina. Four (4) were discarded early in the process due to site constraints. Of the remaining five (5) lifts, four (4) were deemed feasible, as the bottom mounted Sunstream model by Sunlift would likely be difficult to obtain regulatory approval. Each of the four (4) remaining lifts offered variations in pile and motor layouts, as well as maximum vessel beam. The greatest recommended vessel beam provided with a cradle-type lift was 8'5", provided by both the GatorVator 2-motor setup from Golden Boat Lifts and the Category 2 from Hurricane Boat lifts. The greatest overall vessel beam was 9'7", provided by the HarborHoist from HydroHoist Boat Lifts. In general, beamless, cradle-type lift models appeared to result in a reduction of maximum vessel beam as compared to lifts with beams spanning piles. It should also be noted the maximum vessel beam considers alignment of vessel with slip upon entry and does not account for potential navigational limitations. For example a vessel protruding from a slip across the navigational fairway may limit the turning radius and alignment of vessel upon entry.

Although not part of this evaluation, additional means of access to a vessel from the Marina pier exist, including but not limited to, vertical platform lifts, davit crane lifts, amongst others. These alternative access options may require modification to existing Marina pier elements or separate support systems. In addition, during adverse conditions (e.g. increased wave energy), movement of the vessel may result in more difficult access.

Should there be any questions or comments relative to the above provided information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,  
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