

Florida marina embarks on US\$11m expansion

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Cat's Paw Marina adds land, secures zoning approval for development project

A Florida marina has acquired land and secured zoning approvals as it embarks on a US\$11m expansion initiative.



Cat's Paw Marina in Florida plans to expand its operations with new 35,000ft² and 80,000ft² boat storage buildings joining an existing 35,000ft² facility

The Cat's Paw Marina, a dry stack facility located on the San Sebastian River in St Augustine about one mile from the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, received approval from the local planning board this week to acquire approximately 10 acres of vacant land adjacent to its existing facility, effectively

doubling its size.

The property acquisition will enable the marina to begin its multi-phase expansion initiative, beginning with the construction of two new buildings for dry stack storage of boats to 40ft.



The marina recently acquired a new high-capacity forklift to help meet growing demand for dry stack storage in the area

The marina's planning application includes details on the construction of two new boat storage buildings of 35,000ft² and 80,000ft², which will join an existing 35,000ft² structure with a capacity of 200 boats. Additional development plans include new vehicle parking, sidewalks, landscaping and utility infrastructure.

A subsequent development phase calls for the construction of an 85,000ft² building for commercial/industrial use, with a final completion date between 2028 and 2030.

In its planning application, Cat's Paw Marina cites growing demand for dry stack storage in the local area, noting it has a significant waiting list for space at its current facility.

Established in 2007, the marina accommodates vessels up to 40ft and recently acquired a new, high-capacity forklift to streamline operations.