

### Clean Vessel Act Site Visit Record

<b>SAV Date:</b>	April 1, 2022
<b>DEQ Staff:</b>	Cheryl Dirck – Environmental Programs Specialist Angela Hughes – Environmental Programs Manager
<b>Marina Name:</b>	Calypso Cove Marina
<b>Marina Address:</b>	100 Calypso Cove Ave
<b>City/County/State/Zip:</b>	Norman/Cleveland County/OK/73026
<b>Marina Contact Name/Phone:</b>	Twila Elliott/405-517-0051 Jessica Elliott/405-517-4346
<b>Date of Award/Award Number:</b>	07/01/2021/F21AP03030
<b>Amount of Award:</b>	\$15,180.00

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On October 16, 2020, Calypso Cove Marina applied for a CVA grant adding a brand-new pump-out station, the lift station, and piping and connections to the lift station. The marina was awarded CVA grant funds on July 1, 2021. The total bill increased from the projected cost due to inflation of materials. The total cost was \$24,033.50 and the marina received 75% of the original projected cost (\$20,240.00).

Ms. Elliott applied for the CVA grant in 2018. Oklahoma experienced a tornado August 26, 2019. Calypso Cove Marina took a direct hit from the tornado destroying the marina as well as the entire dock. Twila Elliott and Jessica Elliott, spent the last year devoting their time and effort piecing together Calypso Cove Marina to make it presentable to the public. The clean-up from the tornado damage and debris caused by the flooding and high winds was expensive and time consuming. Extensive damage was caused to the electrical pedestals and water hydrants. Due to the clean-up,

Ms. Twila Elliott and Ms. Jessica Elliott had to postpone the building installation of a breakwater dock holding 84 covered boat slips. This in turn did not allow them to build a pump-out station. After the extension was awarded, they realized they would not be able to finish their project. They dropped out of the grant program even after the extension was granted and applied the following year in 2019. The pandemic hit shortly after 2019 and they waited until 2021 to apply for the CVA grant. After years of dealing with insurance policies, inflation, pandemic issues, and other miscellaneous problems they were awarded the CVA grant in 2021. Ms. Elliott was able to construct a full-serviced marina for Lake Thunderbird, and installed a brand-new pump-out system with the 2021 CVA Grant funds.

April 1, 2022, Ms. Cheryl Dirck and Mrs. Angela Hughes performed a site assistance visit at Calypso Cove Marina. Cheryl and Angela discussed a few of the issues Ms. Twila Elliott encountered since the flood from the previous owner in 2015 and the August 2019 tornado. She kept in touch with the previous owner and learned quite a bit about electrical, plumbing, rules, and regulations necessary for a marina on Lake Thunderbird. Calypso Cove is governed by United States Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), Oklahoma Office, and the marina must abide by all rules and regulations before

constructing any projects on Lake Thunderbird. BOR is short staffed and it can take time to fulfill any permits or requests for the marina. Ms. Elliott kept her connections with the previous owner to know what to expect with BOR. Ms. Elliott has kept a good rapport with the lake patrol, local sheriff, and Norman police department.

Ms. Dirck looked over the new pump-out station, witnessed the system was operational by her staff, and verified the new system and associated piping was within DEQ regulations and adequately sized for the number of boaters that visit the marina. Cheryl Dirck verified that the installation was within the grant guidelines and all receipts were available for the grant reimbursement process. Based on that visit, the marina is eligible for reimbursement under the grant.

**Photo Series #1. Calypso Cove Marina on Lake Thunderbird. April 1, 2022.**

**Marina Store next to dock and rental boats/LOVE sign at front entrance made of recycled materials/Slips with marina name**



Photo Series #2. Calypso Cove Marina on Lake Thunderbird. April 1, 2022.  
 Demonstration pump is running properly. Newly installed pump-out station. Brand new marina dock.



Photo Series #3. Calypso Cove Marina on Lake Thunderbird. April 1, 2022.  
 Brand new lift station on shore by marina dock.



Photo Series #4. Calypso Cove Marina on Lake Thunderbird. April 1, 2022.  
Brand new marina dock and piping to connect the pump-out station and lift station.

