Marina del Rey Harbor Hull Paint Pilot Study I and II Summary

Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors tested multiple non-biocide hull paints on County-owned vessels over the course of two pilot hull paint studies from 2017 to 2022. The paints included in the studies, as well as observations related to paint effectiveness, are included in Table 1 and Table 2 below. Due to variability in boat usage, cleaning frequency, and site-specific conditions, the results observed in the pilot studies intend to provide a high-level performance assessment on non-biocide hull paints. The County does not endorse any specific paints included in the tables.

Table 1: Summary of Non-Biocide Paints Studied in Pilot Study I

Paint	Paint Type	Boat Type & Use	Performance Notes		
Pilot Paint Study I (August 2018 – October 2018)					
CeRam-Kote 54 SST	Hard, Ceramic Polymer Coating	 24' Debris Boat aluminum hull; 5 days/week 25' Safe Boat; 3 days/week 	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks Normal to fair paint condition and normal to excessive fouling May need more frequent cleaning 		
Hullspeed F- Series	Hard, Epoxy/ Silicone Copolymer	 29' Seaway powerboat; 4 days/week 30' Drake powerboat; 2 days/week 22' Catalina sailboat; 1 day/week 	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks Normal to fair paint condition and normal to excessive fouling May need more frequent cleaning 		
Hullspeed 3000	Hard, Epoxy/ Silicone Copolymer	 30' Munson Landing Craft aluminum hull; 3 days/week 27' I/O V hull; 2 days/week 22' Debris Boat wood hull with fiberglass; 2 days/week 29' Seaway powerboat; 4 days/week 33.5' Moose powerboat; 4 days/week 35.5' Moose powerboat; 4 days/week 32' Rescue Boat; 1 day/week 41' Fire Boat; 2 days/week 	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks Normal to fair paint condition and normal to excessive fouling May need more frequent cleaning 		
Intersleek 1100SR	Soft, Fluoropolymer	 25' MacGregor Sailboat; W.A.T.E.R Youth Sailing Program 25' MacGregor Sailboat; W.A.T.E.R Youth Sailing Program 29' Seaway powerboat; 4 days/week 42' Monarch powerboat aluminum hull; 5 days/week 	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks Excellent paint condition and light to normal fouling 		

Table 2: Summary of Non-Biocide Paints Studied in Pilot Study II

Paint	Paint Type	Boat Type & Use	Performance Notes	
Pilot Paint Study II (July 2021 – September 2022)				
AkzoNobel #1	Soft	27' Catalina sailboat; occasionally mid-June to mid- August and daily the rest of the year	 Hull was not stripped before application Paint formula discontinued due to poor performance 	
AkzoNobel #2	Soft	27' Catalina sailboat; occasionally mid-June to mid- August and daily the rest of the year	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks in summer and every 3 weeks in winter Good paint condition, easy to clean, and light to normal fouling Paint reformulated after study 	
Coval Marine and Hull Coat	Hard Coating (Quartz-like)	17' Boston Whaler; 7 days/week mid-June to mid-August and not used the rest of the year	 Boat hull was de-waxed (not stripped) before application Cleaned every 2 weeks in summer and every 3 weeks in winter Fair paint condition, firm to hard effort required to remove growth, and normal to excessive fouling 	
Seacoat™ SEA- SPEED® V10X Ultra Clear	Hard Coating (Silane- Siloxane)	15' Zodiac; 7 days/week mid-June to mid-August and not used the rest of the year	 Boat hull was stripped before application Cleaned every 2 weeks in summer and every 3 weeks in winter Normal to fair paint condition, firm to hard effort required to remove growth, and normal to excessive fouling 	

Websites:

- CeRam-Kote 54 SST: https://ceram-kote.com/ceram-kote-54/
- Hullspeed: https://www.hullspeed.us/
- Intersleek 100SR: https://www.international-marine.com/product/intersleek-1100sr
- Coval Marine and Hull Coat: https://covaltechnologies.com/marine/
- Seacoat SEA-SPEED V10X Ultra Clear: https://sea-speed.com/