

# NORTH CAROLINA'S N O R T H E A S T



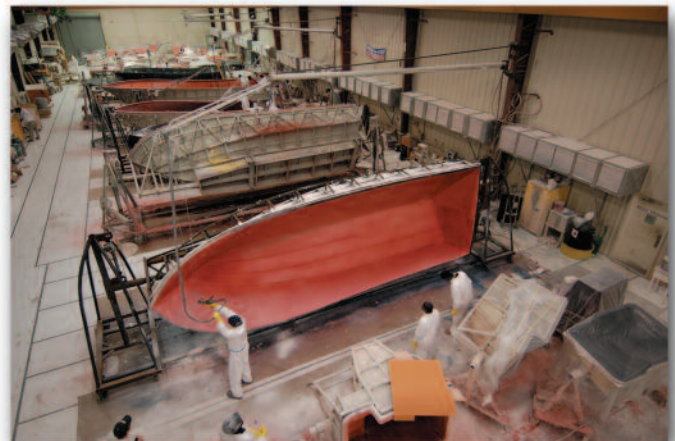
## For Marine Businesses, the Road to Success is Shorter Here.



A global leader in boat building, North Carolina's Northeast is looking even more attractive to marine companies these days for the simple reason that we make success . . . well, simpler. The fact is, no other area on the East Coast is so uniquely positioned to shorten the distance to achieving your business goals.

From labor and logistics to technology and training, you'll find an established maritime infrastructure that's ready to help your company grow, without a lot of cost, labor and tax roadblocks to slow your company down. You'll also find a collaborative and innovative team of relocation partners dedicated to making your move a complete success.

- Marine business parks and sites with ice-free water access
- Direct access to Atlantic Ocean and Intracoastal Waterway
- Affordable and experienced maritime workforce
- University-based maritime degree programs
- Free world-class job training in marine trades
- A pro-business climate with generous incentives
- Lower operating costs, lower taxes and less regulation
- Strategic mid-Atlantic location with superior access to markets
- Turnkey site selection and relocation assistance





## The Many Advantages of North Carolina's Northeast

### A Tradition of Maritime Leadership

- Home to many boat builders and marine suppliers
- Opportunities in barging, marine repair, offshore construction
- Water sites available with barge and rail access
- Thousands of skilled workers from regional shipyards
- Workforce augmented by retiring military personnel
- Boat builder-friendly environmental regulations

### Superior Logistics and Infrastructure

- Easy access to key markets via I-95
- Direct rail access to nearby Hampton Roads and Port of Virginia
- Intracoastal Waterway access
- Reliable, low-cost electricity and natural gas
- Available industrial parks, affordable sites
- High-speed broadband throughout the region

### Available Workforce

- 174,000+ regional workforce
- Many with marine industry experience
- Non-union and skilled labor
- Affordable wage and benefit costs
- Productive workers with strong work ethic

### These Boat Builders Call North Carolina's Northeast Home:

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Albemarle Boats Inc.            | Fineline Industries Inc.      |
| BB Boatworks                    | Fountain Powerboat Industries |
| Bayliss Boatworks               | Freedom Boatworks             |
| Blackwell Boatworks, Inc.       | Guthrie Boat Works            |
| Bradley Custom Boats            | Harrison Boatworks            |
| Briggs Boatworks                | Mann Custom Boats             |
| Brooks Boatworks                | Regulator Marine              |
| Brush Creek Yachts              | Scarborough Boatworks         |
| Calybre                         | Spencer Yachts                |
| Carolina Classic Boats Inc.     | Sullivan's Boatworks          |
| Carolina Yacht Enterprises Inc. |                               |

### Powerful Incentives

- Highest state incentives are available
- Low- and no-cost sites available
- Assistance in finding low-interest loans
- Free utility extensions
- State tax credits
- Low property taxes
- Federal Hub Zones available

### A Business-Friendly Climate

- Low-cost workers' comp & unemployment insurance
- Right-to-work state
- No intangibles tax
- Free job training in community college system

### A Great Place to Live and Work

- Attractive, safe, progressive communities
- Low housing costs, affordable waterfront living
- Temperate four-season climate with year-round golf
- Atlantic Ocean, Intracoastal Waterway sports
- World famous beaches of the Outer Banks

**"We researched every state from Virginia to Florida, and North Carolina's Northeast came out ahead in every category: skilled workers, incentives, central location, real estate costs, climate, quality of life, and friendliest government agencies."**

— Steve Brodie, President  
Pacific Seacraft

**"For both business and pleasure, you can't beat the combination of natural beauty, friendly charm, and centralized location with good road access. Come see North Carolina's Northeast for yourself – but be ready to stay!"**

— Don O'Hara  
Lewis Marine Supply of North Carolina

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