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To: TACs, IT POCs, and Listserv  
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Subject: Boat File Converting to NIEM XML

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Hello,

We will be converting the Boat File to NIEM XML on August 2, 2023 between 8AM-9:30AM.

**What is happening?**

The Boat File will be converted to NIEM XML. Users will not notice a difference. The following Boat Message Keys (MKE) will be converted:

- QB – Query Boat
- EB – Enter Boat
- MB – Modify Boat
- LB – Locate Boat
- CB – Clear Boat
- XB – Cancel Boat

For detailed information on MKEs, please refer to our [ACCESS Operations Manual – Chapter 3 Boat File](#).

**Will there be a downtime?**

There will not be a downtime, however there may be a slight delay in Boat File responses during this time.

**What do I need to do?**

Your agency does not need to do anything. A few vendors/agencies have tested and confirmed functionality.

**What if I have issues entering or querying a boat?**

If you notice anomalies after deployment please report to our IT Department via email [ITDHelp@wsp.wa.gov](mailto:ITDHelp@wsp.wa.gov).

Thank you,

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