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Swimmers & divers can become entangled in abandoned nets & fishing lines.



Beach users are injured by stepping on broken glass, cans, needles, & other litter.



Floating debris & litter on beaches causes lost tourism revenues & costs local municipalities millions of dollars annually to clean up.



Marine debris is a navigational hazard for fishing & recreational boats – entangling propellers & clogging intake valves.

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campaign and let's all make an effort to get the trash out of our boating environment!

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