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TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Proposed Rule

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DIGEST

Amends 312 IAC 5-6-6 that provides restricted watercraft zones on Lake Wawasee to replace 10 mile per hour speed limits with expanded idle speed zones and watercraft prohibition zones on Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake for the protection of ecological resources. Effective 30 days after filing with the secretary of state.

312 IAC 5-6-6

SECTION 1. 312 IAC 5-6-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

312 IAC 5-6-6 Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake; special watercraft zones

Authority: IC 14-10-2-4; IC 14-15-7-3

Affected: IC 14

Sec. 6. (a) This section establishes restrictions on the operation of watercraft on and between Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake in Kosciusko County. The coordinates used in this section are on the Indiana coordinate system of 1983, east zone, in United States Survey feet as defined in IC 32-19-1-1, hereinafter referred to as SPC.

(b) A person must not operate a watercraft in excess of ten (10) miles per hour on Lake Wawasee within an area described as follows: **idle speed in any of the following locations:**

(1) ~~North and west of Pickwick Road~~ In an area known as Johnson Bay on Lake Wawasee, and more particularly described as east and north of buoys placed along a boundary in the northeastern portion of the bay. The boundary:

(A) begins at its southernmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2244173.23 north and SPC 323786.03 east;

(B) continues in a northwesterly direction, including, but not limited to, buoys placed at:

(i) SPC 2244348.87 north and SPC 323439.20 east;

(ii) SPC 2244959.54 north and SPC 323331.64 east; and

(iii) SPC 2245188.84 north and SPC 322952.76 east; and

(C) concludes with the northernmost buoy placed at SPC 2245460.99 north and SPC 322442.69 east.

(2) ~~South of the CSX railroad~~ In an area known as Johnson Bay on Lake Wawasee, and more particularly described as west of buoys forming a boundary in the western portion of the bay. The boundary:

(A) begins at its southernmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2242916.32 north and SPC 321786.06 east;

(B) continues north, including, but not limited to, buoys placed at:

(i) SPC 2243201.20 north and SPC 321889.40 east; and

(ii) SPC 2243594.17 north and SPC 321842.69 east; and

(C) concludes with the northernmost buoy placed at SPC 2243903.36 north and SPC 321985.50 east.

(3) ~~East of the Turtle Bay housing development~~ In the area known as Conklin Bay on Lake Wawasee, and more particularly described as west and south of buoys forming a boundary in the southwestern portion of the bay entrance. The boundary:

(A) begins at its easternmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2242757.49 north and SPC 310031.71 east;

(B) continues in a northwesterly direction along buoys placed at points, including, but not limited to:

(i) SPC 2242767.16 north and SPC 309590.62 east;

(ii) SPC 2242759.48 north and SPC 309502.02 east;

(iii) SPC 2243000.96 north and SPC 309262.89 east;

- (iv) SPC 2243007.82 north and SPC 309161.84 east;
- (v) SPC 2243121.70 north and SPC 308708.60 east; and
- (vi) SPC 2243143.59 north and SPC 308440.77 east; and

(C) concludes at its northernmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2243332.11 north and SPC 308363.57 east.

(4) In the area of Lake Wawasee, commonly referred to as the channel area and Mud Lake, that lies between the main body of Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake.

(5) In the southeastern portion of Syracuse Lake, more particularly described as east and south of buoys forming a boundary that:

(A) begins at its northernmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2249799.53 north and SPC 311364.04 east;

(B) continues in a southwesterly direction to include buoys placed at:

(i) SPC 2249436.77 north and SPC 310315.97 east; and

(ii) SPC 2249156.14 north and SPC 310047.98 east; and

(C) concludes at its southernmost point with a buoy placed at SPC 2248558.17 north and SPC 309952.51 east.

(6) In an area commonly referred to as the north bay on Lake Wawasee, more particularly described as north of the boundary between buoys placed at:

(A) SPC 2246336.50 north and SPC 313670.41 east; and

(B) SPC 2246294.91 north and SPC 312868.18 east.

(c) In addition to subsection (b)(6), a person must not operate, anchor, or moor a watercraft in either of the following restricted zones located in the area commonly referred to as the north bay on Lake Wawasee:

(1) Within the rectangular shaped area bounded by buoys designating the:

(A) southwestern corner of the area at SPC 2246372.00 north and SPC 313226.16 east;

(B) northwestern corner at SPC 2246561.00 north and SPC 313224.59 east;

(C) northeastern corner at SPC 2246576.75 north and SPC 313538.09 east; and

(D) southeastern corner at SPC 2246382.25 north and SPC 313549.53 east.

(2) Within the rectangular shaped area bounded by buoys designating the southwestern corner of the:

(A) area at SPC 2246371.25 north and SPC 312958.88 east;

(B) northwestern corner at SPC 2246558.25 north and SPC 312954.19 east;

(C) northeastern corner at SPC 2246558.50 north and SPC 313090.28 east; and

(D) southeastern corner at 2246374.50 north and SPC 313091.94 east.

(Natural Resources Commission; 312 IAC 5-6-6; filed Mar 23, 2001, 2:50 p.m.: 24 IR 2374, eff Jan 1, 2002)

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on August 5, 2002 at 6:00 p.m., at the Upper Level Academy Center, Oak Inn and Conference Center, 702 East Lake View Road, Syracuse, Indiana the Natural Resources Commission will hold a public hearing on proposed amendments that provide restricted watercraft zones on Lake Wawasee to replace 10 mile per hour speed limits with expanded idle speed zones and watercraft prohibition zones on Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake for the protection of ecological resources. Copies of these rules are now on file at the Indiana Government Center-South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W272 and Legislative Services Agency, One North Capitol, Suite 325, Indianapolis, Indiana and are open for public inspection.

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