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TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

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DIGEST

Adds 312 IAC 5-6-5.5 concerning special watercraft restrictions on public freshwater Lake Manitou in Fulton County to establish a zone within a shallow area of the lake containing emergent vegetation and commonly known as "the Prairie", within which zone boats are limited to idle speed, their motors must be turned off, and anchoring is prohibited. Effective 30 days after filing with the secretary of state.

312 IAC 5-6-5.5

SECTION 1. 312 IAC 5-6-5.5 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

312 IAC 5-6-5.5 Lake Manitou; special watercraft zones

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

Affected: IC 14; IC 32-19-1-1

Sec. 5.5. (a) This section establishes restrictions on the operation of watercraft on Lake Manitou in Fulton County.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a person must not operate a watercraft in an area, commonly known as the Prairie, which is enclosed by a line of buoys placed as follows:

- (1) SPC 2114199 (UTM 4544799) north and SPC 185587 (UTM 568631) east.**
- (2) SPC 2114362 (UTM 4544844) north and SPC 184604 (UTM 568331) east.**
- (3) SPC 2114620 (UTM 4544921) north and SPC 184241 (UTM 568219) east.**
- (4) SPC 2115391 (UTM 4545156) north and SPC 184259 (UTM 568221) east.**
- (5) SPC 2115871 (UTM 4545305) north and SPC 184900 (UTM 568414) east.**
- (6) SPC 2115720 (UTM 4545262) north and SPC 185534 (UTM 568608) east.**
- (7) SPC 2114303 (UTM 4544831) north and SPC 185670 (UTM 568656) east.**

(c) A person is exempted from subsection (b) if each of the following requirements is satisfied:

- (1) The watercraft is not a motorboat or is a motorboat that has the motor turned off.**
- (2) The watercraft is not operated in excess of idle speed.**
- (3) The watercraft is not anchored.**

(d) This section expires on April 30, 2008. (Natural Resources Commission; 312 IAC 5-6-5.5)

Notice of Public Hearing

Under IC 4-22-2-24, notice is hereby given that on January 12, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., at the Rochester City Hall, 320 North Main Street, Rochester, Indiana the Natural Resources Commission will hold a public hearing on special watercraft restrictions on public freshwater Lake Manitou in Fulton County to establish a zone within a shallow area of the lake containing emergent vegetation and commonly known as "the Prairie", within which zone boats are limited to idle speed, their motors must be turned off, and anchoring is prohibited. 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.

Michael Kiley
Chairman

Natural Resources Commission