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Subject: Wake boat ordinance Town of Worcester

Alli,

Please send this out to the town email list. I ask the responsible persons to forward to the Solberg Lake Association and Musser Lake email lists.

Jim

A proposed ordinance to regulate the use of boats in wake enhanced mode was submitted to the DNR. Relevant emails are being posted to the Town of Worcester website, [TownOfWorcester.com](https://www.townofworchester.com), on the Wake Boats page. All boating ordinances must be approved by the DNR. The requirements for approval are laid out in this guidelines document: <https://widnr.widen.net/s/lldpzrbl2s/le0317>. As stated in the guidelines document, we need to write a condition report that includes statements from both sides of the wake boat issue.

Robin Miller, the DNR Recreation Warden – RSOS Bureau/Division of Public Safety and Resource Protection, made it clear in our conversation on 3-1-2025 that a condition report is necessary to get DNR approval of this proposed ordinance. From the guidelines document:

The condition report should include, at a minimum, the following items:

- A description of the local conditions necessitating the regulation or regulation change and how the new or changed local regulation will solve the situation.
- A description of the probable or possible negative effects of the measures that were considered, and people or groups who may be adversely affected by the adopted ordinance.
- An opinion statement concerning the impact on public health, safety, or welfare if the regulation is not adopted.
- A statement summarizing the arguments of the interests opposed to the regulation or regulation change.

A example of a condition report is attached. That report was mentioned as being a good example of what the DNR is looking for. We especially need written statements because we currently do not have any. We do have a petition to include in the condition report as an indicator of public sentiment.

In addition to the written statements, help writing the condition report would be very much appreciated. This email alone took me a full two hours to write because my limited writing skills make writing a time consuming process. Any assistance, such as drafting a portion of the report, will be helpful.

Thanks,

Jim Michler

Town of Worcester Chair