WISCONSIN CONSERVATION CONGRESS ANNUAL SPRING HEARING AND PUBLIC INPUT OPPORTUNITY FOR REGULATING WAKE SURFING ON WISCONSIN LAKES AND RIVERS

The Wisconsin Conservation Congress is a government department that conveys the wisdom and influence of Wisconsin citizens in the formation of natural resource policy, research, education and conservation. Every year the WCC conducts a citizen resolution survey. If the citizen resolution can make it through the gauntlet of surveys, committee approvals and district leadership approvals, the resolution could become a state law (our objective).

The online questionnaire survey will be available through a link on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress webpage (<u>https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/wcc/springhearing</u>) from April 10 at noon through April 13 at noon. The link will be placed on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress webpage. Click on "Spring Hearings." The online form is being run through an online survey tool. Once you sign in, simply read, and follow the directions carefully.

All Wisconsin citizens from any county in the state can vote on the following. Please vote YES.

63. Do you support wake boats causing hazardous wakes on lakes larger than 1,500 acres to be more than 700 feet from shore or other water users? (133822)

64. Do you support prohibiting wake boats from causing hazardous wakes on lakes less than 1,500 acres? (133922)

65. Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing Statutes that prohibit operation of a boat that intentionally creates a hazardous wake within 700 feet of any dock, raft, pier, buoyed restricted area, shoreline and any other watercraft? (640822)

66. Would you support the WCC and legislature creating a new state Statute that prohibits operation of a boat that intentionally creates a hazardous wake on lakes of a specific physical characteristics defined by size, depth, length and width? (640922)

67. Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing Statutes to prohibit methods for intentionally magnifying wakes for wake surfing on lakes less than 1,500 acres? (641122)

68. Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing Statutes to prohibit methods for intentionally magnifying wakes for wake surfing in Presque Isle Township, Vilas County? (641222)

If you are from **DANE COUNTY**, there will be a resolution, pending WCC approval, regulating ballast systems. **Please vote YES.**

If you are from **VILAS COUNTY**, there will be two resolutions, pending WCC approval, regulating ballast systems and two pending WCC approval, regulating the use of equipment that intentionally magnifies wakes. **Please vote YES**.

Thank you for taking the time to protect the health of our lakes.