

ORDINANCE REGULATING WATER SURFACE AREA

Pursuant to the authority granted a County Board by the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources under Minnesota Statute 86B.205, an Ordinance is hereby established regulating the water surface area of the channel located on Lake Koronis west of Mud Lake in Meeker County, Minnesota. Said channel shall be posted a "Slow-No Wake" zone as herein defined due to the inherent fact that watercraft speed and wake constitute a hazard to persons, property and the natural resources.

1. Slow-No Wake.
 - a. "Slow-No Wake" means the operation of a watercraft at the slowest possible speed necessary to maintain steerage and in no case greater than five (5) miles per hour.
2. Effective Time.
 - a. The "Slow-No Wake" zone shall be effective 24 hours per day from "Ice Out" until "Freeze Up."
 1. "Ice Out" shall be defined as the time of year in which the channel area shall become passable by watercraft after the ice thaws.
 2. "Freeze Up" shall be defined as the time of year in which the channel area shall become impassable by watercraft due to the water freezing.
3. Enforcement and Penalties.
 - a. The enforcement of this ordinance shall be primarily the responsibility of the Meeker County Sheriff's Office. Other licensed peace officers, including conservation officers of the Minnesota Department of Natural resources, are also authorized to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.
 - b. Penalties for violating the Ordinance shall constitute a petty misdemeanor with a fine of \$40.00.
4. Exemptions.
 - a. Authorized Resource Management, emergency and law enforcement personnel shall be exempt when acting in the performance of their duties.
 - b. Temporary exemptions may be authorized by permit from the Sheriff.

Attest: Paul J. [Signature]
Meeker County Clerk

Beth Oberg [Signature]
Chairman, Meeker County Board of
Commissioners

Adopted: August 2nd, 2016