



STATE OF VERMONT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dear Members of the Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules,

We are writing on behalf of constituents who have serious concerns regarding the Agency of Natural Resources' (ANR) proposed Use of Public Waters Rule 25-P045 and respectfully urge the Committee to object to the rule in its current form.

While we all support protecting water quality and responsible lake use, many believe key parts of the proposal lack clear scientific justification. Constituents continue to question how ANR arrived at the proposed 3,000-foot wakesports zone, the increase from a 50-acre to 100-acre threshold, and the 500-foot buffer requirement. No other state has these restrictions in place, and the standards appear arbitrary and unsupported by transparent Vermont-specific data. There are also substantial concerns that ANR has underestimated the financial impacts the rule could have on boat owners and small businesses

Vermont is already home to the most restrictive wakesports regulations in the country and for the past two boating seasons, they seem to have worked just fine. Given these unresolved scientific and economic concerns, I respectfully ask the Committee to object to the rule and require further review, analysis, and stakeholder engagement before allowing it to move forward.

Sincerely,

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