

PROPOSED BY: DONOVAN
INTRODUCTION DATE: NOVEMBER 19, 2019

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDING WHATCOM COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 11.16 TO PROTECT LAKE SAMISH SHORELINE PROPERTIES AND LAKE SAMISH WATER RECREATION

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council recognizes the need to balance potential damage to personal property and the safety needs of non-motorized water recreation with motorized water recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Code currently recognizes the need to protect public health, safety, and property with regulations on the speed of vessels, and with regulations on the manner and distance that vessels operate from the shore; and

WHEREAS, the Whatcom County Council recognizes that its previous change (in July of 2019) to the Lake Samish no wake zone created an area larger than needed to protect public health, safety, and property;

NOW BE IT ORDAINED by the Whatcom County Council that Whatcom County Code Chapter 11.16 shall be amended to include the following (as outlined in Exhibit A to this ordinance):

- The no wake zone shall be adjusted to the east of the W. Lake Samish Drive Bridge, to a point 1000 feet from the bridge, running parallel to the bridge.

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2019.

ATTEST:

WASHINGTON

**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL
WHATCOM COUNTY,**

Dana Brown Davis, Clerk of the Council

Rud Browne, Council Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

**WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Civil Deputy Prosecutor

Jack Louws, County Executive

() Approved () Denied

Date Signed: _____

Exhibit A

11.16.030 Speed regulations.

A. Speed Limits. No vessel shall exceed the following speeds, except as provided in Chapter [11.36](#) WCC:

~~8. Within Lake Samish the area between County Bridge No. 107 (bridge located south of, and adjacent to, Lake Samish Park) and the North-South line of 122° 24' 00" West shall be designated as a "no-wake" zone.~~

8. Within Lake Samish the area between county bridge No. 107 (bridge located south of, and adjacent to, Lake Samish Park) and a North-South line 1000 feet from the bridge, running parallel to the bridge, shall be designated as a "no-wake" zone.