

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 shore to shore.

**APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

**ATTEST:**

**WASHINGTON**

**WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL  
WHATCOM COUNTY,**

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Dana Brown Davis, Clerk of the Council

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Rud Browne, Council Chair

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

**WHATCOM COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Civil Deputy Prosecutor

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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 east of the bridge, running 1000 feet, shore to shore, shall be designated as a "no-wake" zone.**