**Section 2030.15 Designation of Restricted Waters by the Department of Natural Resources**

a) Areas will be considered for designation, modification or elimination as restricted when the request from outside the Department meets the following criteria:

1) Be accompanied by a minimum of 25 signatures of interested persons over the age of 18 who would be directly affected by the restrictions.

2) Contain a detailed description of the area proposed for restriction with appropriate maps and other supporting data.

b) All requests for the restricting of areas shall meet the following criteria:

1) Evidence indicates that a boating safety hazard presently exists; or

2) Evidence indicates a public safety concern exists relative to other water uses (e.g. swimming, skiing, etc.); or

3) Evidence indicates that a boating user conflict exists.

c) Consideration for protection of private property shall not be considered as appropriate criteria for restriction.

d) Procedures for processing requests:

1) All requests will be forwarded to the Department of Natural Resources, Office of Law Enforcement.

2) The Office of Law Enforcement will investigate and validity of the request in accordance with subsection (b) and forward a report and recommendation to the Director for action by the Department.

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