

2025 REGULATION CHANGE REQUESTS — DECISIONS

Anne Arundel County

Severn River – Matthews Point: The Department received a request to create a 6-knot speed zone in the Severn River that extends 100 yards in each direction from Matthews Point effective Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays during the boating season.

DECISION: NO CHANGE

South River – Duvall Creek: The Department received a request to enlarge the existing speed zone in Duvall Creek located in the South River to begin at the start of the Duvall Creek entrance. The extension would have a speed limit of 6 knots during the boating season, which is the same as the current zone.

DECISION: CHANGE AS REQUESTED

Charles County

Potomac River – Westmoreland State Park: The Department received a request to create a minimum wake speed zone during the boating season on the Potomac River in the vicinity of Westmoreland State Park on the Virginia side of the river. The zone would be approximately 800 yards in length and extend 100 yards from shore. The zone would begin at the park's boat ramp and encompass the day use beach area.

DECISION: CHANGE AS REQUESTED

Dorchester County

Nanticoke River – Marshyhope Creek: The Department received a request to combine two existing speed zones in Marshyhope Creek, a tributary of the Nanticoke River, into one continuous speed zone. Currently there is a small seasonal (March-June) minimum wake speed zone and a larger 6-knot at all times speed zone in this area. The combined speed zone would be 6 knots at all times.

DECISION: CHANGE AS REQUESTED

St. Mary's County

Patuxent River – Cuckold Creek: The Department received a request to create a 6-knot speed zone in the Patuxent River in the area of Clarkes Landing on Cuckold Creek effective during the boating season. The BAAC recommended modifying the request by expanding the area (location agreed upon at the meeting) and implementing a speed zone of 6 knots that would be effective on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays during the boating season.

DECISION: CHANGE WITH SUGGESTED BAAC MODIFICATIONS

Washington County

Potomac River – Dargan Bend: The Department received a request to extend the minimum wake speed zone approximately ½ mile in each direction from the current minimum wake speed zone in the Potomac River near the Dargan Bend boat ramp, effective during the boating season.

DECISION: NO CHANGE