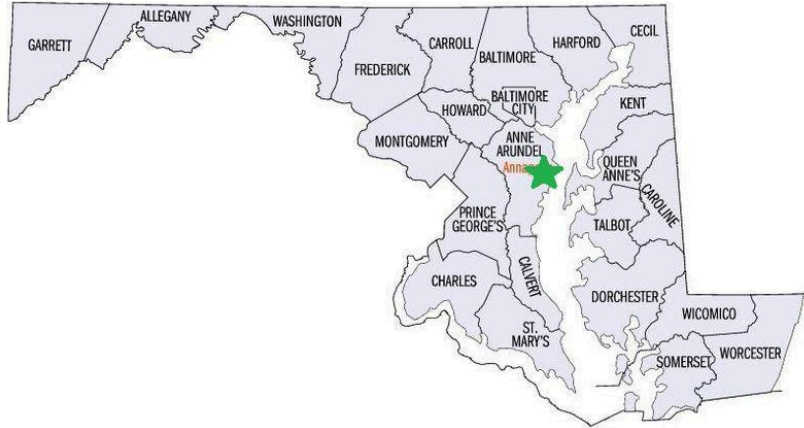


Anne Arundel County - South River - Duvall Creek



What was requested?

The Department received a request to enlarge an existing speed zone in Duvall Creek located in South River. The request is to enlarge the current speed zone in Duvall Creek to begin at the start of the Duvall Creek entrance channel, approximately 300 yards to the southwest of the current zone. The current zone has a speed limit of 6 knots during the boating season and the new area would have the same speed limit.

Why was this change requested?

The Department was provided the following information:

- The current 6-knot speed zone begins northeast of the entrance channel, and is marked by a speed limit buoy.
- The speed limit buoy is frequently out of position.
- The entrance channel to Duvall Creek, which is narrow and used by both powerboats and sail bots, is the subject of recurring dredging projects and is not currently within the regulated speed zone.

What is the current regulation for the area?

The request is to extend the following area described in COMAR 08.18.25.04H:

Duvall Creek encompasses the area north of a line beginning at a point at or near Lat. 38° 55.733' N., Long. 76° 29.238' W., then running 115° (True) to a point at or near Lat. 38° 55.673' N., Long. 76° 29.073' W., and running to the head of the creek. This area has a 6-knot speed limit, during the boating season.

The requested area would change a portion of the following area described in COMAR 08.18.25.02A.

Lower South River Area. This encompasses the area upstream of a line beginning at Thomas Point, at or near Lat. 38° 54.433' N., Long. 76° 27.615' W., then running 227° (True) to Saunders Point, at or near Lat. 38° 53.108' N., Long. 76° 29.445' W., and downstream of a line beginning at Shadow Point, at or near Lat. 38° 56.783' N., Long. 76° 32.981' W., then running 32° (True) to a point, at or near Lat. 38° 57.057' N., Long. 76° 32.762' W. Except as otherwise restricted, the speed limits for this area are:

- (1) 35 knots from sunrise to sunset during the boating season; and
- (2) 20 knots from sunset to sunrise during the boating season.

Definitions

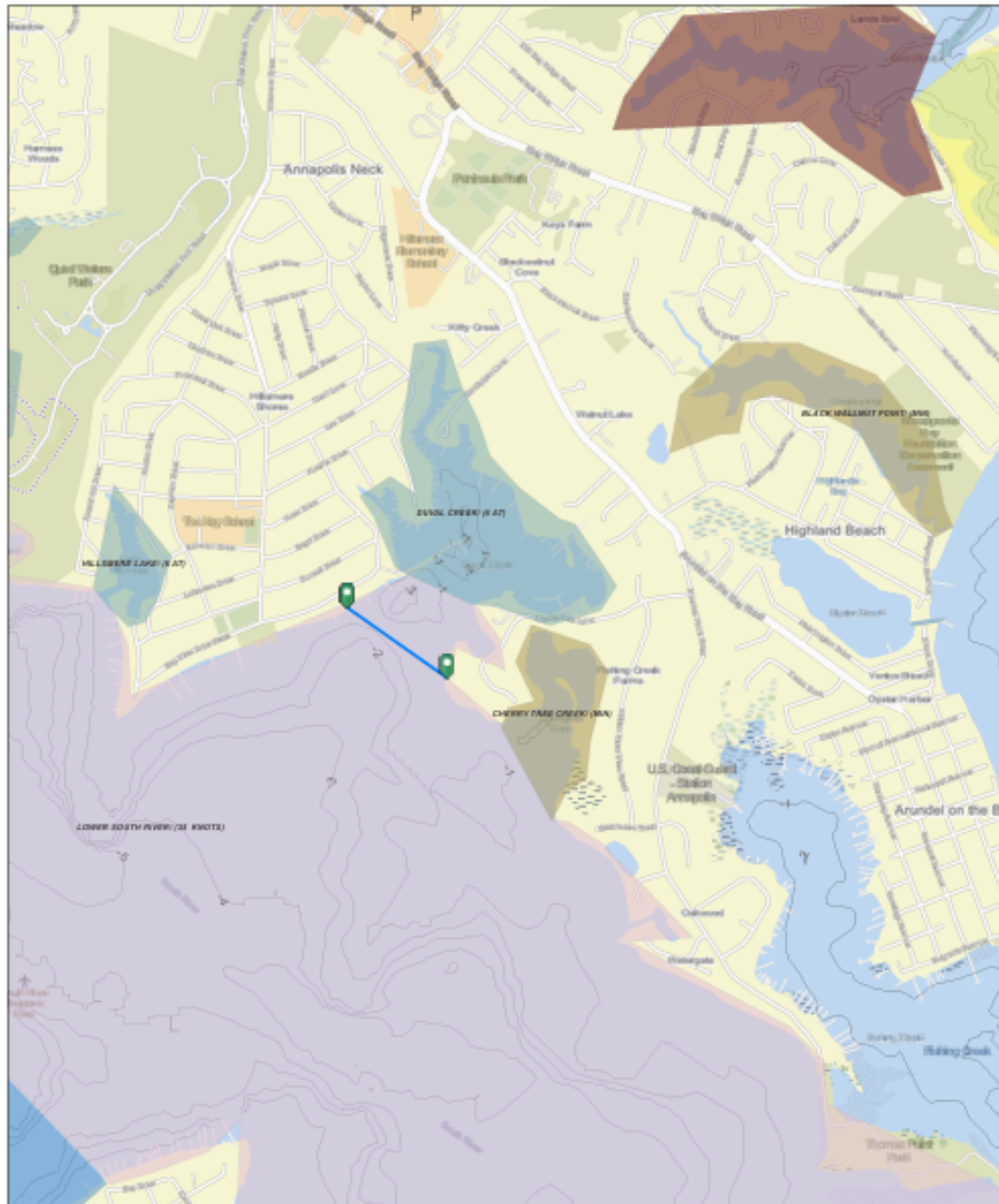
“6 knots (6.9 MPH)” means a person may not operate or give permission to operate a vessel:

- (a) At a boat speed in excess of 6 knots (6.9 statute miles per hour, or 11.1 kilometers per hour); or
- (b) To tow an individual on a ski, aquaplane, or similar device.

“Boating season” means the period beginning at 12:01 a.m. each April 15, and ending at 12 midnight each succeeding October 15.

Map of the Area

Duval Creek

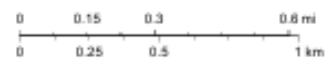


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Waterways Speed Zones

- Minimum Wake
- 6 Knots All Times
- 6 Knots Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays
- 6 Knots Saturdays, Sundays, Holidays - Weekdays 26 Knots
- 26 Knots Speed Limit
- 35 Knots Speed Limit

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