PROPOSED ACTION ON REGULATIONS

Estimate of Economic Impact
The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses
The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities
The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment
Comments may be sent to Krista Sermon, Office of Law and Policy, Comptroller of Maryland, 80 Calvert St., Room 409b, Annapolis, MD 21401, or call (410) 260-7319, or email to ksermon@marylandtaxes.gov. Comments will be accepted through March 14, 2022. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

.02 Deduction of Organization Dues.
A. Procedure.
   (1) (text unchanged)
   (2) Requests by an organization for initiation, modification, or cancellation of an employee payroll deduction of organization dues submitted to the Central Payroll Bureau by approved electronic means must include control totals and a statement certifying that the organization retains the original employee authorization form in its possession.

   (2) (text unchanged)
   (3) The right to a deduction of organization dues is afforded to employees. Employees in the regular, University of Maryland, and [special payments] contractual payroll systems may request a payroll deduction of organization dues.

   (4) (text unchanged)
   B.—G. (text unchanged)

Title 08
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
Subtitle 18 BOATING — SPEED LIMITS AND OPERATION OF VESSELS
08.18.08 Chester River
Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§8-703 and 8-704, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action
[22-048-P]
The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources proposes to adopt new Regulation .06 under COMAR 08.18.08 Chester River.

Statement of Purpose
The purpose of this action is to create a regulated speed area in Queenstown Creek and Little Queenstown Creek. The area will have a speed limit of 6 knots at all times. The entrance channel in Queenstown Creek is incredibly narrow and does not allow for safe transit above 6 knots. The adjacent water is too shallow to allow for transiting and poses a risk for boats to run aground. Due to the narrowness of the channel and the hydrology of the creek in the general area, the Department believes the lines proposed in this action will best allow vessels to safely transit the area. Too small of an area would have created further hazardous conditions due to the up and down motions of acceleration and deceleration in the small area. Spacing the start and end of the regulated area farther apart will allow vessels to safely enter and exit the area. The Department also does not believe that it is necessary to regulate the entirety of Queenstown Creek, as the area above the end line for the regulated area allows enough space to safely recreate.

Comparison to Federal Standards
There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact
The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses
There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities
The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment
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Opportunity for Public Comment
Comments may be sent to Queenstown Creek Regulations, Regulatory Staff, Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services, 580 Taylor Avenue, E-4, Annapolis, MD 21401, or call 410-260-8417, or email to boatingregspubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov. Comments will be accepted through March 14, 2022. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

.06 Queenstown Creek.
A. All of the waters of Queenstown Creek southeast of a line beginning at a point on shore defined by Lat. 39°00.130' N, Long. 76°09.820' W; then running 225° True to a point on shore defined by Lat. 38°59.830' N, Long. 76°10.210' W and southwest of a line beginning at a point on shore defined by Lat. 38°59.820' N, Long. 76°9.510' W; then running 286° True to a point on shore defined by Lat. 38°59.85' N, Long. 76°09.670' W, including all of the waters of Little Queenstown Creek.

B. The speed limit for the area described in §A of this regulation is 6 knots at all times.

JEANNIE HADDAWAY-RICCIO
Secretary of Natural Resources

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08.18.08 Chester River
Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§8-703 and 8-704, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action
[22-049-P]
The Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources proposes to adopt new Regulation.07 under COMAR 08.18.08 Chester River.

Statement of Purpose
The purpose of this action is to create a regulated speed area in the upper reach of the Corsica River. The area is that stretch of the Corsica River adjacent to the Centreville Wharf, from the Maryland Route 304 Bridge to the split in the river. Boaters using the wharf have experienced safety issues relating to loading and unloading their boats due to other boats passing by at excessive speeds. By creating a regulated speed area from the bridge to the split, boaters using the wharf will be able to safely load, unload, and get underway. The area will have a 6 knot speed limit on Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays during the boating season.

Comparison to Federal Standards
There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact
The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses
The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities
The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment
Comments may be sent to Queenstown Creek Regulations, Regulatory Staff, Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services, 580 Taylor Avenue, E-4, Annapolis, MD 21401, or call 410-260-8417, or email to boatingregspubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov. Comments will be accepted through March 14, 2022. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

.07 Upper Corsica River.
A. All of the waters of the Corsica River south of a line beginning at a point on shore defined by Lat. 39°03.351' N, Long. 76°04.459' W; then running 103° True to a point on shore defined by Lat. 39°03.336' N, Long. 76°04.376' W and north of the Maryland Route 304 Bridge.

B. The speed limit for the area described in §A of this regulation is 6 knots on Saturdays, Sundays, and State holidays during the boating season.

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Secretary of Natural Resources

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08.18.13 Magothy River
Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§8-703 and 8-704, Annotated Code of Maryland

Notice of Proposed Action
[22-046-P]
The Secretary of Natural Resources proposes to amend Regulation .05 under COMAR 08.18.13 Magothy River.

Statement of Purpose
The purpose of this action is to create a new regulated speed area at the entrance to Grays Creek in Anne Arundel County which will be combined with two current existing regulated areas, namely Grays Creek and Sillery Bay. Both Grays Creek and Sillery Bay already have a speed limit of 6 knots at all times during the year. However, due to unsafe vessel activities in the area the department is extending those restrictions to the waters between the two current speed zones. The new area encompasses the waters of the Magothy River between Grays Creek and Little Island, extending to Hickory Point. This will mitigate the safety concerns that have been demonstrated, as well as avoid potential boater confusion and erosion concerns due to having multiple speed zones in close proximity to one another. The combined area will have a 6 knot speed limit at all times during the year, consistent with the rules in the current speed zones.

Comparison to Federal Standards
There is no corresponding federal standard to this proposed action.

Estimate of Economic Impact
The proposed action has no economic impact.

Economic Impact on Small Businesses
The proposed action has minimal or no economic impact on small businesses.

Impact on Individuals with Disabilities
The proposed action has no impact on individuals with disabilities.

Opportunity for Public Comment
Comments may be sent to Magothy River Regulations, Regulatory Staff, Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services, 580 Taylor Avenue, E-4, Annapolis, MD 21401, or call 410-260-8417, or email to boatingregspubliccomment.dnr@maryland.gov. Comments will be accepted through March 14, 2022. A public hearing has not been scheduled.

.05 Magothy River North Shore.
A.—D. (text unchanged)