

March 20th, 2023

Dear members of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee,

Our names are Colette Dumas and Sandy Hovey. We spend our summer and boat on Norway Lake (Pennesseewassee Lake). We are asking your support today for LD 693, a bill that would prohibit large wake generating boats from within 500' of shore and in water less than 20' deep.

We are concerned that large wakes close to shore will damage the shore and create extensive erosion, as well as damage docks, and present a danger to swimmers by the shore.

We support LD 693 as a practical solution that will allow large-wake-generating boats on the water, while directing them to places where they can operate safely, without creating extensive erosion, damage to docks, and danger to swimmers near shore.

Please vote to support LD 693 as a smart way to assure safe boating opportunities for everyone on our publicly owned ponds and lakes.

Thank you very much.

Signed
Colette Dumas and Sandy Hovey, Norway, Norway Lake.