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I own the property at 11 Merganser Way in Freeport, ME.

This past summer I made several complaints to our town manager about the noise generated by a local air boat owner who drove his boat through the waterways in and around Merganser Way and into Maquoit Bay. Along with my neighbors, we used our phones to take videos and recordings that clocked the decibels at 95-97 levels. The disturbance was extreme, as you can imagine. The sound level was similar to that of an airplane landing on our properties, and this particular owner drove his boat in front of our various properties between 6 and 7 AM and again on a return around 5 and 6 PM. Needless to say, it disrupted our homes and families, as the owner also drove the boat quite close to the shore, increasing the intensity of the sound.

It was possible to hear the boat arriving from considerable distance, disrupting homes, other boaters, fishing - most activity came to a standstill until the owner had traveled far enough away from our properties to enable us to resume normal activity.

I/we would stand and wave at the owner in the hopes that he would slow or stop, but with no luck. As I said, we all placed calls to the town manager.

It's impossible to think that the current noise level would be raised to 100 - it's an untenable and unbearable level of noise and interferes with normal life in our area.

I am happy to discuss this if helpful. I hope you will consider my objection, along with those of neighbors, and stop any proposal to increase the decibel level.

Thank you for your help and consideration,

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