

# THE LAKE NORMAN MARINE COMMISSION

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Ms. Dawn Blobaum  
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Re: Lake Davidson

Dear Ms. Blobaum,

We appreciated your time and that of Leamon Brice and Rick Kline at our meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup> regarding the boating on Lake Davidson. As a result of numerous phone calls resulting from your public meeting on the subject, we have heard from several people from both Towns regarding the position of the Lake Norman Marine Commission (LNMC). In particular there was concern regarding the reported position of the LNMC on the "no-wake" issue.

As I mentioned to you, we would like to clarify our position and would appreciate your advising as necessary the town officials in Davidson and Mooresville involved in this lake issue. As we recall our discussions and our positions, they are as follows:

1. A large portion of Lake Davidson is "No-Wake" by State Law and as clarified in the LNMC "Buoy" Ordinance, which states that boats must be at "No-Wake" speed within 150 ft. of a structure on the shoreline or if no structure, then 150 ft. from the shoreline. This means that much of the lake and all the coves are "NO-Wake".
2. We don't believe that the Town of Davidson has the authority to impose H.P. limitations on the boats that use Lake Davidson. Since Davidson has never enforced this and many boats do not comply, the issue seems to have taken care of itself without real H.P. limitations.
3. We would endorse the idea of increased use of kayaks and canoes

which of in itself would help control lake usage.

3. The Ski Slalom course should be retained and as I discussed with Leamon Brice, this ski boat activity dates back for several decades and no problems with this usage has ever been reported to the Lake Norman Marine Commission (LNMC). In addition it should be noted that the Skiing activities include wake boarding and show skiing.
4. It is recommended that the Towns of Davidson and Mooresville study the feasibility of a public boat ramp. This of course would require Duke Energy/FERC approval to do if this was agreed upon.

Please advise if any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Mrzlak  
Executive Director