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1. Welcome & Pledge of Allegiance
2. Green Rule Book Update
3. Adjourn

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Rules & Regulations

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Title One: General Provisions

§1-1-1-1 Creation and Composition; Authority.

1. The Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District "CSCD" was created under the Indiana Conservancy Act, Indiana Code 14-33, and is governed by a seven – member Board of Directors (Board), elected by the property owners. The Board appoints freeholders to five Commissions to assist in the governance of the CSCD, as follows: Building, Ecology, Roads, Security, and Water.
2. The operational controls are subject to the approval of the Brown County Circuit Court Judge. Rules and Regulations as adopted by CSCD are legal and enforceable.

§1-1-1-2 Use of Property.

1. The CSCD is not a public park but a private residential area whose owners have private property rights that are to be recognized, respected, and enforced. You shall not encroach onto private property without the owner's permission. Conduct that is unacceptable in a residential area shall not be tolerated within the CSCD.
2. The lakes, roads, and parks within the CSCD are entirely owned by CSCD, as a body of owners. Individual freeholders do not own any part of the lakes, roads, or parks. The CSCD, its lakes, beaches, ramps, and roads are patrolled by the Brown County Sheriff Department. Lot owners are encouraged to monitor activities within the area, and to report infractions of the rules to the authorities. The complaint, location of the incident, description, time and date shall be filed at the CSCD Office by phone or in writing.
3. Any person who damages or destroys property belonging to CSCD shall be prosecuted civilly and/or criminally if the destruction is deemed willful. In addition, such person shall be responsible for the fair value of the property damaged or destroyed. Failure to make restitution within thirty (30) days of the notification of damages shall be grounds for a suit for the recovery of damages. All violations of state law or Brown County ordinance shall be prosecuted by the appropriate authority.

§1-1-1-3 Freeholder Privileges.

A freeholder is one (1) or more persons holding a single title to one (1) or more tracts of land. As freeholders, you can be granted the privilege of using the lakes, roads, and parks, subject to these Rules and Regulations.

§1-1-1-4 Shoreline Alteration; Dredging.

1. Alteration of the lake's shoreline is not permitted.
2. Any dredging of the lakebed or shoreline shall be approved by the CSCD with permits from proper authority. A fine of \$500.00 plus cost to repair damage, payable to the CSCD, shall be imposed for any violation of this section.

§1-1-1-5 Debris Disposal; Trash.

1. The disposal of any materials including, but not limited to, leaves, trees, grass clippings, yard waste, refuse, solid waste, or chemicals into the lakes is prohibited. No freeholder shall take any action which results in soil or debris being deposited into the lakes or onto other property.
2. The CSCD does not provide trash collection. Freeholders shall provide their own trash disposal. Trash dumped along the roads, drives, into the CSCD trash containers, or into the recycling bins is subject to the littering laws of the County. The recycling bins are monitored and misuse is prohibited. Violators may be subject to fines and penalties.

§1-1-1-6 Real Estate Transfers; Land Contracts.

1. All transfers of real estate within the CSCD shall be filed in the CSCD Office prior to recording with the Brown County Recorder. The filing shall include the name and address of the party purchasing real estate and the date of the transfer. All warranty deeds shall contain the following statements:

Conveyance accepted for the purpose of CSCD assessments this ____ day of _____, 20____. All prior assessments are paid to the date.

Financial Clerk, CSCD

2. Freeholders of the Cordry Sweetwater Conservancy District selling a lot on land contract shall automatically relinquish all lake privileges of that lot to the Contract Buyer. Lot owners owning multiple lots may sell lots on Contract and retain lake privileges on remaining lots(s) owned. A copy of the land contract shall be provided to the CSCD Office in order for the buyer to obtain lake privileges for the lot(s) being purchased.

§1-1-1-7 Permanent Signs.

Brown County Ordinance requires that the street number address shall be clearly displayed on the side of the dwelling visible from the street for emergency purposes. The CSCD also recommends that lot numbers and/or street address numbers or names be displayed on the dock or structure facing the lake.

§1-1-2-1 Building Regulations.

1. All improvements to the land shall meet Brown County Building Codes and be approved by the appropriate CSCD Commission and/or CSCD Board. Building Rules and Regulations are available at the CSCD Office.
2. Prior to construction of boat docks, boathouses, docks with decks, or any structure projecting over or into the lakes, construction plans shall be approved and a permit issued by the CSCD. During construction, a buffer approved by CSCD shall be erected along the shoreline to prevent soil erosion or pollution of the lake. Violators may be subject to fines and penalties.

3. New cuts into roads or drives shall require a permit and shall comply with the Building Rules. CSCD shall determine the location of a new road cut. Replacement of gravel or repairs to roads and drives damaged by the contractors shall be the responsibility of the freeholder.

§1-1-3-1 Water.

The CSCD is the owner and operator of a water supply system including mains, pumps, filters, tanks, fire hydrants, and water meters. No private or semi-private water supply system for domestic use may locate or provide service within the CSCD boundaries. Requirements for water service connection along with current charges and regulations pertaining to the water system are available at the Office.

§1-1-4-1 Roads; Traffic Signals.

1. All roads, drives, and rights-of-ways owned by the CSCD are maintained by CSCD. Obstruction of drainage along roads and drives is prohibited.
2. Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit shall be twenty-five (25) MPH on the main roads and fifteen (15) MPH on side drives. CSCD shall install all speed, directional, and informational signs.
3. No person shall operate or permit another person to operate a motor vehicle on CSCD owned roads, drives and rights-of-ways in violation of Indiana state law.

§1-1-4-2 Parking.

1. No parking shall be permitted on roads, drives, or rights-of-ways except for emergency vehicles or vehicles being used by CSCD staff, contractors, or their agents for CSCD business.
2. There shall be no parking or storing of vehicles, watercraft, or trailers on the dams, boat ramps, rights-of-ways, or property owned by the CSCD at any time.

§1-1-4-3 Off-Road Vehicles and Snowmobiles.

1. The operation of off-road vehicles and snowmobiles shall be registered and operated in accordance with Indiana State law and Brown County Ordinance 2024-07-17-001.
2. No off-road vehicles, snowmobiles, or motorized vehicles (including e-bikes) shall be permitted on the Nature Trails or any other CSCD-owned property.

§1-1-5-1 Firearms.

No hunting shall be permitted within the CSCD, except pursuant to rules adopted by the Board when the CSCD is designated an Urban Deer Reduction Zone by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources "DNR". The use of firearms, pellet, B.B. guns, and bow and arrows is prohibited.

§1-1-6-1 Trapping.

With the exception of the eradication of nuisance animals on freeholders' private property performed in accordance with legal methods set forth by the Indiana DNR, all lake trapping and fowl control shall be the sole authority of the CSCD.

§1-1-6-2 Domestic Animals.

In accordance with Brown County Ordinance 04-16-01-01 and Indiana state law, all dogs shall be on a leash, under control, and have current rabies immunizations and owner identification tags. Dogs showing malicious or nuisance tendencies shall be reported to the Brown County Animal Control at (812) 988-6655.

§1-1-6-3 Fowl.

Keeping of fowl is not permitted.

§1-1-7-1 Camping.

Camping shall be permitted on private property only if the freeholder has available State-approved sanitary facilities. A freeholder is permitted to temporally camp on their vacant lot with an approved camping permit issued by CSCD. Camping permits shall be obtained prior to camping. Permits shall be issued for weekends or other short periods of time not to exceed seventy-two (72) hours in any seven (7) day period. Permits are also available for annual vacation periods, not to exceed two (2) weeks, providing the freeholder is present on their lot camping for that period of time. At the expiration of the permit, all camping equipment, trailers, campers, tents, and debris shall immediately be removed from the area. Violation of these rules shall be cause for refusal of future camping permits.

Title Two: Classification of Watercraft.

§2-1-1-1 Decals Required.

Freeholders shall purchase a decal at the CSCD Office for each watercraft registered. A freeholder may register no more than nine (9) watercraft. A freeholder may register only one (1) watercraft from each of Class One, Class Two, Class Three, and Class Four, as defined below. A freeholder may register up to six (6) watercraft from Class Five, provided the total watercraft registered does not exceed nine (9).

§2-1-2-1 Class One: Powered Watercraft.

1. Class One Watercraft means powered or speed watercraft less than twenty-one (21) feet. in length and weighing no more than four thousand (4,000) lbs. The length and weight of the watercraft shall be determined by reference to the JD Power Boat Database at <https://www.jdpower.com/boats/manufacturers>, or the weight and length of the watercraft as stated by the manufacturer's specifications. If the length or weight of the watercraft stated in the JD Power Database differs from the weight and length stated in the manufacturer's specifications, the lesser weight and length shall be considered the true weight and length of the watercraft.

2. Class One Watercraft purchased prior to September 24, 2024, whose weight exceeds four thousand (4,000) lbs. dry weight for which a decal could have been issued pursuant to the rules in existence at the time of the purchase are considered grandfathered and may receive decals or renewal decals as allowed pursuant to the rules relating to grandfathered watercraft provided for herein.

3. Pontoon watercraft with an engine horsepower between one hundred and one (101) and one hundred fifty (150) HP shall be classified as a Class One watercraft. The length of the watercraft cannot exceed twenty-four (24) feet.

4. Fishing watercraft with engines greater than forty (40) horsepower are classified as Class One watercraft. The length of the watercraft cannot exceed nineteen (19) feet.

§2-1-2-2 Class Two: Pontoon Watercraft.

1. Class Two Watercraft means pontoon watercraft twenty-four (24) feet or less in length, with a maximum engine horsepower of one hundred (100). Pontoon watercraft with an engine horsepower between one hundred and one (101) and one hundred fifty (150) HP shall be classified as a Class One watercraft. No expanding or retractable pontoon decks are permitted. The length of the watercraft is presumptively established by reference to the JD Power Boat Database at <https://www.jdpower.com/boats/manufacturers>, or the length of the watercraft as stated by the manufacturer's specifications. If the length stated in the JD Power Boat Database differs from the length stated in the manufacturer's specifications, the lesser length shall be considered the true length of the watercraft.

2. Class Two Watercraft purchased and continuously registered with CSCD before November 19, 2024 may receive renewal decals as allowed pursuant to the rules relating to grandfathered watercraft provided for herein.

§2-1-2-3 Class Three: Fishing Watercraft

1. Class Three Watercraft means fishing watercraft no longer than nineteen (19) feet, with a maximum engine horsepower of forty (40). Fishing watercraft with engines greater than forty (40) horsepower are classified as Class One watercraft.

2. Watercraft purchased and continuously registered with CSCD before March 31, 1990, are considered fishing watercraft regardless of horsepower and are considered grandfathered and may receive renewal decals as allowed pursuant to the rules relating to grandfathered watercraft herein.

§2-1-2-4 Class Four: Personal Watercraft

1. Class Four Watercraft means personal watercraft such as Jet Ski, Wave Runner, or other similar craft. Class Four Watercraft are prohibited, except that personal watercraft purchased and continuously registered with CSCD before January 1, 1994 may receive renewal decals as allowed pursuant to the rules relating to grandfathered watercraft provided for herein.

§2-1-2-5 Class Five: Non-Motorized Watercraft

1. Class Five Watercraft includes:

- a. Paddle boats;
- b. Rowboats;
- c. Windsurfers;
- d. Kayaks;
- e. Canoes,
- f. Sailboats with masts no longer than seventeen (17) feet; and
- g. Watercraft utilizing DC electric propulsion as the sole means of propulsion, provided, however, that the motor may not produce more than 100 ft. lbs. of thrust as stated in the manufacturer's specifications. Notwithstanding anything herein contained, motorized hydrofoils are not considered non-motorized watercraft.

2. A freeholder may register no more than six (6) craft in this classification. Proof of purchase of non-motorized craft shall be the Affidavit proving ownership.

§2-1-2-6 Paddle Boards

1. CSCD decals are not required for paddle boards.
2. Paddle boards shall be labeled with the owner's lot number.
3. After sunset, paddle board operators shall have a flashlight or other lighting device.
4. A whistle or other sound-producing device shall be carried at all times to warn other boaters.
5. Paddle board operators twelve (12) years of age and younger shall wear a life jacket at all times while on board. Paddle board operators and passengers thirteen (13) and older shall have a life jacket in their possession on the paddle board while the paddle board is under way.

§2-1-3-1 Prohibited Watercraft

The following types of watercraft are prohibited on Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes:

1. Houseboats of any size;
2. Airboats, hovercraft, or motorized hydrofoils, or similar watercraft;
3. Subject to §2-2-2-4, Class Four watercraft, including, but not limited to, jet skis and wave runners;
4. Watercraft of any size with sleeping quarters, galleys, toilets or cabins; and

5. Wake boats or watercraft designed to create large wakes, including, but not limited to, watercraft designed with hulls and ballast systems, hydrofoil technology, wedges, wake shapers, v-drives, and any other device or construction intended by the manufacturer or utilized by the operator of the watercraft to create a large wake.

Title 3: Watercraft Registration

§3-1-1-1 Boat Decals Required

1. Decals are issued to freeholders eighteen (18) years of age or older subject to the requirements in Title 3. Watercraft without a valid registration and current decals shall not be allowed on the lakes. Freeholders may obtain decals at the CSCD Office during regular hours by completing a notarized affidavit of ownership accompanied by proof of ownership. Satisfactory proof of ownership is the title to the craft, or application for title and/or current registration, or manufacturer's certificate of origin.
2. Decals are the property of the CSCD. A fee shall be charged to lease the decals for a period of two (2) years.
3. The identification decals shall be placed on each side of the watercraft according to the diagram furnished at the time of registration.

§3-1-1-2 Lot Numbers Required

1. Prior to being allowed on either lake, all watercraft shall have their primary lot letters and numbers attached and clearly visible to both sides of the watercraft. The lot numbers shall be in plain block lettering, at least three (3) inches in height, and in a color in contrast with the watercraft. The decal and lot numbers shall be placed on the watercraft according to the diagram provided.
2. All boat trailers parked at the ramps shall have two (2) inch clearly visible reflective lot letters and numbers attached to the tongue's left side. This shall identify the freeholders privileged to use the Lakes and to prevent unauthorized boating and/or fishing.

§3-1-1-3 Void Decals

1. When a freeholder sells a lot, whether improved or unimproved, within the CSCD, all watercraft decals assigned to that lot shall be voided. It is the freeholder's (seller's) responsibility to turn in the current decals to the CSCD Office.
2. When the owner of the watercraft is no longer a freeholder within CSCD, all watercraft decals assigned to the former freeholder shall be returned to the CSCD Office. It is the former freeholder's responsibility to return to the CSCD Office all current decals.

§3-1-2-1 Decal Prerequisite - Mandatory Zebra Mussel Awareness Course

To receive boat decals, a freeholder shall first take and pass with a perfect score the Zebra Mussel Awareness Course. An applicant for a decal may take the test multiple times until a perfect score is achieved.

§3-1-2-2 Decal Prerequisite – Mandatory Boater Safety Course

In order to obtain a decal allowing operation of a motorized watercraft on the Lakes, the applicant shall demonstrate that the applicant is aware of and understands the boating safety rules and regulations of the State of Indiana and CSCD by taking and passing with a perfect score the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District and State of Indiana Boating Safety Test as required by Resolution No. 2024-7. The test shall be administered by the employees of the District under protocols established by the Director of Operations and Building Compliance Officer and the Director of Finance and Administration of the District. An applicant for a decal may take the test multiple times until a perfect score is achieved. Freeholders who have passed the test and have been issued a decal are not required to re-test to renew the decal unless the test is different than the test set forth in Exhibit “A” to Resolution No. 2024-7. If, at the time a freeholder applies for a renewal decal, the test set forth in Exhibit “A” to Resolution No. 2024-7 has changed, the applicant for the renewal decal shall take the revised test and correctly answer each question. An applicant for a renewal decal who is required to re-test may take the test multiple times until a perfect score is achieved. This Resolution (Resolution No. 2024-20) does not amend or repeal Resolution No. 2024-7.

§3-1-2-3 Decal Prerequisite – Mandatory Insurance Requirements

1. Prior to registering a powered watercraft and obtaining a decal, the freeholder shall present to the District Office proof of liability insurance applicable to the watercraft to be registered in an amount not less than \$100,000.00 per person per occurrence, insuring against bodily injury or property damage.
2. No powered watercraft may be registered, nor a decal issued for said watercraft, until such time as the freeholder seeking to register the watercraft provides proof of insurance.
3. The requirement to maintain insurance upon watercraft shall be a continuing obligation. Any lapse or cancellation of insurance coverage shall result in the immediate revocation of the watercraft’s decal and said watercraft shall no longer be permitted upon Cordry or Sweetwater Lakes until such time as adequate insurance coverage is reinstated.

§3-1-3-1 Grandfathered Watercraft

1. Watercraft designated as grandfathered may receive renewal decals unless:
 - (a) The watercraft is sold or traded; or,
 - (b) Ownership is transferred in any manner, including, but not limited to, by gift or operation of law; or,

(c) The watercraft's decal has expired and more than ninety (90) days have elapsed since the date of expiration. A grandfathered watercraft whose decal has expired may receive a renewal decal if a renewal decal is requested within ninety (90) days of the date of expiration of the current decal. A freeholder can still be ticketed in that ninety (90) day period for violations of these Rules.

§3-1-4-1 Revocation of Decals

1. Decals can be revoked due to violation of the boating rules and regulations, or for tampering with the decals. Except for violation of the rules prohibiting wake watercrafts, the intentional operation of watercraft to create a large wake, and for violation of Resolution No. 2023-12 relating to zebra mussels, three (3) tickets issued within a one (1) year period shall lead to the immediate revocation and removal of the decal.
2. One (1) violation of the rules prohibiting wake watercraft, the intentional operation of a watercraft to create a large wake, or Resolution No. 2023-12 relating to zebra mussels shall result in the immediate loss of lake/beach privileges for three hundred sixty-five days from the date of the offense and forfeiture of all boat stickers for three hundred sixty-five days from the date of the offense. An owner of a watercraft whose decal has been revoked is prohibited from operating any craft on either lake until the decal is reinstated.

§3-1-4-2 Authority to Inspect

1. CSCD Boat Patrol employees and all other employees of CSCD are authorized to go upon the waters of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes in order to monitor compliance with CSCD Rules and Regulations and to issue citations to owners/operators of boats found to be in violation of CSCD's Boating Rules and Regulations. In the event that CSCD boat patrol employees or other employees of CSCD observe possible violations of State law, they may report their observations to law enforcement.
2. All persons operating watercraft on the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake shall permit CSCD employees, including, but not limited to, those employees assigned the duty of boat patrol to board watercraft in order to perform the inspections authorized by this Resolution.
3. If the operator of a watercraft refuses to allow the watercraft to be inspected, the watercraft may not be operated on Cordry or Sweetwater Lake for a period of one (1) calendar year from the date to refusal to allow inspection occurs and the decal issued for that watercraft shall be surrendered to CSCD.

§3-1-4-3 Reinstatement of Decals

1. A freeholder whose decal has been revoked may appear at a hearing before the Security Commission, at a regularly scheduled meeting, to determine why the decal shall or shall not be reinstated. The Security Commission shall make a recommendation to the CSCD Board of Directors who shall consider the recommendation at the next CSCD Board of Directors meeting. The owner of the watercraft whose decal has been revoked may appear before the

CSCD Board and object to the revocation of the decal. After considering the facts and circumstances of the violation, the recommendation of the Security Commission, and any information presented by the owner of the watercraft whose decal has been revoked, the CSCD Board of Directors may take the following action:

- (a) Find in favor of the owner of the watercraft and order the decal immediately reinstated.
- (b) Revoke the decal for up to one (1) year commencing upon the date of the initial revocation of the decal.
- (c) Limit the use of watercraft.
- (d) Impose a probationary period under terms and conditions determined by the CSCD Board for a period of time not to exceed one (1) year commencing upon the date of the initial revocation of the decal.
- (e) Order that a decal be reissued for the watercraft at twice the current initial fee charged for the decal.

The Board shall retain a written report of the entire incident, their findings and determinations.

Title Four: Zebra Mussel Decontamination & Quarantine Requirements

§4-1-1-1 Freeholder-Owned Watercraft

1. All watercraft and non-motorized watercraft required to obtain a boat decal, personal flotation devices, paddle boards, and all communal trailers that move boats to and from multiple bodies of water, and any other equipment, which could potentially introduce zebra mussels into Cordry or Sweetwater Lake, shall be decontaminated or quarantined prior to launch for use on Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. Decontamination or quarantine shall occur if the boat, trailer, or other equipment enters or is used on ANY body of water other than Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District waters.
2. Decontamination shall occur utilizing one (1) of the following options:
 - (a) Boats, trailers, and associated equipment shall be pressure washed with water at a minimum of 140 degrees Fahrenheit (F), no chemicals needed. This shall occur at the shelter house at Centerlake Park and have 24/7 access.
 - (b) Boats, trailers, and associated equipment shall remain in quarantine for five (5) days prior to launch. Boats, trailers, and equipment may be wiped dry by a towel, but all components of the boats and trailers shall be completely dry before launching, including hulls, bilges, live wells, carpet on trailers, etc. If this option is selected, the five (5) day quarantine shall occur.

(c) Boats, trailers, and associated equipment shall be cleaned using a ten percent (10%) bleach solution with a contact time of five (5) minutes. Boats, trailers, and equipment shall be washed and cleaned before the solution is applied. The less corrosive chemical, Virkon Aquatic, may be used at a two percent (2%) solution with a ten (10) minute contact time. Any solutions shall be washed from boats, trailers, and associated equipment after expiration of the minimum contact time. Cleaning shall occur at the shelter house at Centerlake Park.

3. All boats, trailers, personal flotation devices, paddle boards, and equipment to which this rule applies shall be cleaned and free of debris, mud, or scum, prior to arriving at the decontamination/quarantine site.

4. Operators to whom this rule applies shall work with the Boat Steward or self-decontaminate/quarantine.

5. Any freeholder who violates these rules or assists or aids a person in violating these rules shall immediately lose lake privileges for 365 days from the date of the offense and forfeit all boat stickers for 365 days from the date of the offense. Forfeited boat stickers shall be immediately returned to the CSCD Office.

6. Operators utilizing boats, trailers, or equipment on the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake in violation of this rule shall be deemed trespassers upon the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. The CSCD or its designee is hereby authorized to enforce these rules, to declare violators to be trespassers and to take all actions necessary, including referral to local law enforcement, to secure compliance with these rules.

§4-1-2-1 Commercial Watercraft – Dredges & Barges

1. All barges, boats, dredges and trailers required to obtain a barge permit and all communal trailers that move boats to and from multiple bodies of water, and any other equipment which could potentially introduce zebra mussels into Cordry or Sweetwater Lake, shall be decontaminated or quarantined prior to launch or use on Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. Decontamination or quarantine shall occur every time the barge, boat, dredge, trailer or other equipment leaves the boundaries of the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District, and prior to launch or re-launch upon Cordry or Sweetwater Lake.

2. Decontamination shall occur utilizing one (1) of the following options:

(a.) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall be pressure washed with water at a minimum of 140° Fahrenheit (F), no chemicals needed. This shall occur at a location determined by CSCD Staff and monitored by CSCD Staff.

(b.) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall remain in quarantine for five (5) days prior to launch. Boats, trailers and equipment may be wiped dry by a towel, but all components of the boats and trailers shall be completely dry before launching, including hulls, bilges, live wells, carpet on trailers, etc. If this option is selected, the five (5) day quarantine shall occur at a location to be determined by CSCD Staff.

(c.) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall be cleaned using a ten percent (10%) bleach solution with a contact time of five (5) minutes. Boats, trailers and equipment shall be washed and cleaned before the solution is applied. The less corrosive chemical, Virkon Aquatic, may be used at a two percent (2%) solution with a ten (10) minute contact time. Any solutions shall be washed off of boats, trailers and associated equipment after expiration of the minimum contact time. Cleaning shall occur at a location determined by CSCD Staff and monitored by CSCD Staff.

3. The fee per decontamination is set at \$25 payable to the CSCD.

4. All boats, trailers and equipment to which this rule applies shall be cleaned and free of debris, mud or scum, prior to arriving at the decontamination/quarantine site.

5. Operators to whom this rule applies shall contact the CSCD Office to schedule the decontamination/quarantine.

6. A violation of this rule shall result in immediate loss of lake privileges granted to the owner of the boat, trailer or equipment and to the boat, trailer or equipment.

7. Operators utilizing boats, trailers or equipment on the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake in violation of this rule shall be deemed trespassers upon the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. The CSCD Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to enforce these rules, to declare violators to be trespassers and to take all actions necessary, including referral to local law enforcement, in order to secure compliance with these rules.

Title Five: Operation of Watercraft

§5-1-1-1 Use of the Lakes

All Indiana state boating laws are hereby adopted by the CSCD. More restrictive regulations may be enacted by the CSCD.

§5-1-1-2 Lake Traffic.

1. All operators of motorized watercraft shall have a valid driver's license and shall observe the following traffic rules in addition to the Indiana Boating Rules:

(a.) In coves, bays, and waters designated as idle or no wake zones, persons shall operate their watercraft at the slowest possible speed, not exceeding five (5) MPH, whereby the wake or wash created is minimal.

(b.) Watercraft leaving an idle zone, dock, pier, shore, or ramp shall yield the right of way to watercraft underway.

(c.) Watercraft shall follow a counter-clockwise pattern, except during idle hours. Turn right and enter the pattern before crossing the line of traffic.

(d.) No watercraft shall be moored or anchored to a buoy, or moored or anchored in any location that impedes the flow of traffic or presents a danger to persons or property.

(e.) No watercraft shall be moored or anchored within the ski area during green light periods.

(f.) No “donuts,” tight, circular, or other erratic patterns shall be permitted except to retrieve a downed tuber or skier.

(g.) Watercraft under headway over ten (10) MPH shall remain at least fifty (50) feet from shorelines and beaches, at least one hundred (100) feet from dams and spillways, at least thirty (30) feet from other watercraft, and shall stay clear of all buoys.

(h.) No watercraft shall be permitted to operate over forty (40) MPH on weekends and legal holidays.

(i.) Sailboats under sail, windsurfing watercraft, kayaks, canoes, paddle boats, and all other non-motorized craft shall not operate in the ski areas during the green light period.

§5-1-1-3 Safety.

1. No occupant of watercraft underway shall be permitted to sit or stand on the gunwales, seat backs or stand on the craft’s bow, except for the purpose of anchoring, mooring or casting off.

2. No dangling of legs or feet in the water while watercraft is in motion.

3. The continual use of bright lights on any craft, except for emergencies or docking, is prohibited.

4. Power loading at the ramps shall not be performed, since it destroys ramp approaches.

5. A life-preserving USCG-approved, wearable life vest or jacket shall be on board for each occupant. Children six (6) and under shall have on a life jacket when the watercraft is underway.

6. No unnecessary sounding of whistles or horns, unless used as a warning to persons or watercraft in immediate danger.

7. A watercraft may not be operated in such a manner as to create a large wake unless the watercraft is towing a skier, tuber, or wake boarder, and the individual or item being towed is attached to the watercraft by means of a rope or other tethering device.

8. No person who is impaired as a result of the consumption of alcohol or drugs may operate a watercraft.

9. Fly boarding is prohibiting regardless of the unit used to elevate the individual out of the water.

§5-1-1-4 Launching and Storage of Watercraft.

1. All watercraft shall be launched and loaded ONLY at the CSCD ramps. Non-motorized watercraft may be hand launched and loaded at the Nuthatch picnic area; no trailers are permitted at the Nuthatch picnic area.
2. An owner of an off-shore lot within the CSCD, not abutting either lake, shall have the right of access to or from the lakes ONLY at the CSCD ramps. Off-shore freeholders shall not store any watercraft overnight on either lake.

§5-1-2-1 Control Lights and Signs

1. RED means that use of the lakes is restricted and limited to watercraft whose sole means of propulsion is provided by the occupant or occupants of the watercraft. Watercraft propelled by gasoline engines, electric motors, wind, or any other form of propulsion except that provided by the watercraft's occupant or occupants may not utilize the Lakes during RED light periods.
2. YELLOW indicates that the lakes are open for idle speeds only.
3. GREEN means the areas are open to boaters for skiing, tubing, cruising and other authorized activities.
4. All signs pertaining to use of the Lakes, beaches, parks and marinas shall be obeyed.
5. A RED LIGHT displayed on the Lake Patrol watercraft means to stop immediately. Failure to stop constitutes a violation of these rules.

§5-1-3-1 Towing Devices.

1. No watercraft shall tow a skier or persons on any other device, unless the watercraft is occupied by an operator and at least one other competent person twelve (12) years of age or older (observer). The observer shall give their full attention to watching the objects and persons being towed. The operator shall give their full attention to operating the watercraft safely.
2. A plain RED or ORANGE flag shall be displayed immediately whenever a person or object is down in the water. If using a handheld flag, the observer shall display the flag. If using an automated flag, it shall be activated by the observer. The flag shall be at least twelve (12) by twelve (12) inches of a flat flexible material and visible 360 degrees around the watercraft.
3. No watercraft shall pull more than two (2) people at one time. No towed devices shall carry more than two (2) persons at one time.
4. Purposely dropping of skis is prohibited. Any ski dropped shall be retrieved immediately.
5. Class 4 watercraft shall not tow any object in the water. All Class 4 watercraft shall follow the same traffic pattern as required by all watercraft and shall not trail within one

hundred (100) feet of other watercraft, skier, or towing device. Class 4 watercraft shall remain at least twenty-five (25) feet from other craft when passing or going alongside other watercraft.

6. Towing a ski kite or similar device is not permitted. Flying tubes are not permitted.

7. Wake surfing is prohibited. By way of example and not limitation, wake surfing is defined as a water sport in which a rider trails behind a watercraft, riding the watercraft's wake.

8. All persons being engaged in any water sport with the assistance of a motorized watercraft being pulled behind the vessel shall utilize a tow rope. Ropes or lines utilized to tow skiers or wake boarders or equipment utilized for recreational purposes that are towed behind a watercraft shall be attached to the watercraft by a tow rope at least 40 feet in length measured from the point of the rope's attachment to the watercraft to the point where the rope is held by the skier or wake boarder or attached to the device that is being towed.

§5-1-4-1 Marking Buoys

1. No unauthorized person shall move, deface, strike, or damage a marking buoy that is owned by the CSCD.

2. No freeholder shall allow a person to move, deface, strike, or damage a marking buoy that is owned by the CSCD.

3. Any person in violation of this rule shall forfeit their boat decal and lake and beach privileges for a period of 365 days from the date of the violation.

Title Six: Fishing

§6-1-1-1 General Fishing Rules

1. All CSCD fishing regulations shall be adhered to, and the CSCD shall have those published.

2. A CSCD Beach Pass is required to fish from CSCD-owned property, such as dams, roads, and parks.

3. Fishing with goldfish, carp, or other predatory fish is prohibited. No live minnows of any species may be released into the lakes.

4. All fish stocking shall be approved and authorized by the CSCD.

5. Fishing tournament participants shall obey the signal lights regarding idle speed periods, the traffic patterns on the lakes, and all other applicable rules and regulations.

§6-1-2-1 Bag and Size Limits

The CSCD Ecology Commission is delegated the authority to establish bag and size limits for fish taken from the waters of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes provided that said authority may only be exercised by the Ecology Commission if consented to by the CSCD Board Member appointed to the Ecology Commission. In the event the Ecology Commission amends the Fishing Rules, it shall cause a copy of the amendment to be promptly delivered to the Conservancy District Manager. No amendment by the Ecology Commission shall become effective until notice of the amendment is delivered to the Conservancy District Manager.

§6-1-2-2 Smallmouth and Largemouth Bass.

1. No smallmouth bass measuring under twenty inches (20") may be harvested. No largemouth bass measuring between thirteen inches (13") and twenty inches (20") may be harvested. Daily possession limit of largemouth bass less than thirteen inches (13") per angler is twenty-five (25). Aggregate daily possession limit of smallmouth and/or largemouth bass over twenty inches (20") is one (1) per angler, although release is encouraged.

2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any bass fishing tournaments sponsored by the Cordry-Sweetwater Anglers Club and approved by CSCD are not subject to the length limitations specified herein during the course of any tournament, provided that, at the conclusion of the tournament, no more than ten (10) fish allowed to be legally harvested pursuant to Section 1.1 may be retained by any tournament angler, and that every reasonable effort shall be made to maintain all other fish in a healthy condition and return them to the lake, with the exception of any that may expire and can therefore be retained by the angler.

3. An angler who violates this Section commits a Class 1 violation.

§6-1-2-3 Bluegill and Red-Ear Sunfish.

1. Aggregate daily possession limit per angler of either bluegill and/or red-ear sunfish is fifteen (15). No more than ten (10) shall be red-ear sunfish.

2. An angler who possesses fifty (50) or fewer bluegill or red ear sunfish commits a Class 1 violation. An angler who possesses more than 50 but less than 76 bluegill or red ear sunfish commits a Class 2 violation. An angler who possesses 76 or more bluegill or red ear sunfish commits a Class 3 violation.

§6-1-2-4 Black Crappie.

1. Aggregate daily possession limit per angler of black crappie is twenty-five (25).

2. An angler who possesses fifty (50) or fewer black crappie commits a Class 1 violation. An angler who possesses more than 50 but less than 76 black crappie commits a Class 2 violation. An angler who possesses 76 or more black crappie commits a Class 3 violation.

§6-1-3-1 Cleaning Prohibition.

1. Fish may not be gutted, filleted, or otherwise cleaned while on the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lakes.
2. An angler who violates this Section commits a Class 1 violation.

§6-1-4-1 Inspection.

1. As a condition of being allowed to fish the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake, CSCD requires that all anglers consent to the inspection, for purposes of species' identification, counting and measurement, of all fish taken. Inspection shall include the viewing of the contents of closed containers, such as coolers; if CSCD authorized representatives reasonably believe that the containers might contain fish. The inspection shall be conducted by CSCD authorized representatives, which shall include, but not be limited to, CSCD boat patrol personnel and local law enforcement. CSCD, acting by and through its Board of Directors, may, from time to time, authorize other CSCD employees, directors, officers and agents to perform inspections.
2. An angler who violates this Subsection (5) commits a Class 3 violation.

§6-2-1-1 Fishing Penalties.

1. A person who commits three Class 1 violations within a 12-month period shall not be permitted to fish the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the last violation occurred.
2. A person who commits two Class 2 violations or one Class 1 violation and one Class 2 violation within a 12-month period shall not be permitted to fish the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the last violation occurred.
3. A person who commits one Class 3 violation shall not be permitted to fish the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the violation occurred.
4. Revocation of fishing privileges pursuant to Sections 1, 2, or 3 shall also result in revocation of all boat decals issued to the violator for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that fishing privileges are revoked.
5. The decal issued to the boat upon which three Class 1 violations occur within a 12-month period, together with all other decals issued to the owner of the boat, shall be revoked for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the last violation occurred.
6. The decal issued to the boat upon which two Class 2 violations or one Class 1 violation and one Class 2 violation occurs within a 12-month period, together with all other decals issued to the owner of the boat, shall be revoked for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the last violation occurred.

7. The decal issued to the boat upon which one Class 3 violation occurs, together with all other decals issued to the owner of the boat, shall be revoked for a period of 12 months beginning upon the date that the violation occurred.

8. Upon the issuance of a citation for violation of the Fishing Harvest Rules, the CSCD representative issuing the citation shall take custody of all fish in the possession of the violator. Fish confiscated as a result of the issuance of a citation shall be photographed, counted, and if the violation is the possession of undersized fish, measured. Thereafter, the confiscated fish may be disposed of in a manner to be determined by the Ecology Commission.

§6-2-1-2 Appeals for Violation of Fishing Rules.

1. Appeals from the issuance of a citation for violation of the Fishing Rules shall be made to the Ecology Commission within 30 days of the issuance of the citation. Appeals shall be in writing and filed in the District Office within the time allowed and shall concisely state the grounds for the appeal and the relief requested. The Ecology Commission shall consider the appeal at its next regularly scheduled meeting following the filing of an appeal unless the appeal is filed within 5 days of a regularly scheduled meeting, in which case the appeal shall be considered at the Ecology Commission's subsequent regularly scheduled meeting. The Ecology Commission shall make a non-binding recommendation to the CSCD Board of Directors to either, affirm the citation, set the citation aside, or take such other action as may be deemed appropriate by the Ecology Commission. All recommendations of the Ecology Commission shall be in writing and a copy shall be provided to the violator.

2. The recommendation of the Ecology Commission shall be considered by the Board of Directors of CSCD within 30 days of the date of the Ecology Commission's recommendation. The Board of Directors shall consider the recommendation at a regularly scheduled meeting. The Board of Directors may adopt the recommendation of the Ecology Commission or take such other action as the Board of Directors deems appropriate.

3. Failure to file an appeal to the Ecology Commission within the time allowed shall result in the citation becoming final and non-reviewable.

4. The filing of an appeal does not stay any penalty imposed.

Title Seven: Other Recreational Uses

§7-1-1-1 Swimming.

1. There shall be no swimming or floating on rafts, tubes, or any flotation device in the areas designated for skiing, as defined by the buoys, during the green light period except for downed persons waiting to be retrieved by the towing craft.

2. Swimming or floating on rafts, tubes, or any flotation device shall occur within twenty-five (25) feet of the shoreline, except within the prescribed beach area, and within fifteen

(15) feet of any watercraft or platform in an idle or “no wake” zone. Lake Patrol shall monitor these areas.

§7-1-1-2 Floating Platforms & Buoys

1. Floating platforms shall include, but not be limited to, single person mats, air mattresses, or bounce or trampoline-type platforms.
2. Floating platforms and buoys shall not extend past 25 feet from the shore. At no time shall a platform take up more than 25% of a cove. At no time shall a platform, buoy, or swimmers around the platform or buoy, become a navigational impediment. When swimmers are not present, these platforms and buoys shall be pulled and secured to the shore or attached to the dock and not extend past the dock.
3. Any floating platform or buoy in violation of this rule is subject to removal by CSCD staff.

§7-1-2-1 Beach Rules.

1. One valid CSCD identification card (Beach Pass) is required for freeholders and guests to use the beach and park areas. The beach pass is issued free and is not to be duplicated. There is a charge to issue a replacement and an affidavit shall be signed stating the original was lost.
2. To receive a beach pass, a freeholder shall score a 100% on the Zebra Mussel Awareness Course.
3. Upon arrival or when requested, the Beach Pass shall be presented to the beach attendant or other authorized CSCD employee.
4. A Special Use Permit shall be obtained for a group of more than fifteen (15) guests. The permit, which shall be obtained prior to the event, is available at the CSCD Office during regular business hours.
5. No vehicles, boats, or trailers are permitted within the boundaries of the beach. No fishing is permitted within the boundaries of the beach at any time.
6. No dogs, pets, or domestic animals are allowed within the beach area, which includes the sand area and grass area east to the road.
7. Watercraft, including paddle boards, are prohibited within the beach area.
8. Beach passes are a privilege. Violations of beach rules may result in the revocation of the beach pass. If the pass is revoked, the freeholder may appear at a hearing before the Security Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting to determine why whether the privileges shall be reinstated. The Board shall hear the recommendations of the Security Commission and may impose any or all, but not limited to the following:
 - (a.) Forfeiture of the freeholder’s beach pass.

(b.) A suspension of the freeholder's beach pass for a time period determined by the Board.

(c.) Civil or criminal legal action.

§7-1-3-1 Scuba Diving

1. Certified Scuba divers shall obey Indiana State regulations. Divers shall be permitted to dive in the idle zones at any time.

2. Diving shall be permitted outside of the idle zones during the yellow light period only.

3. A diving flag shall be displayed while a diver is in the water as per regulations.

4. Night divers shall use underwater lights.

5. Special Use Permit diving activities not covered by these rules shall be obtained prior to the event.

Title Eight: Office of the Conservancy District Marshal

§8-1-1-1 General Provisions.

1. The District may employ a Conservancy District Marshal and not more than six (6) deputies.

2. The District may expend such sums as may be necessary to create, equip, staff, and maintain a Conservancy District Marshal's Office, including, but not limited to, funds for the employment of a Conservancy District Marshal, and not more than six (6) deputies, the purchase of vehicles, the purchase of such supplies and equipment as may be required, and the creation of such infrastructure as may be necessary, in amount as determined from time-to-time by the Board.

Title Nine: Enforcement

§9-1-1-1 Enforcement.

1. Any violation of the Rules and Regulations by a freeholder or their guest shall be documented as one ticket.

2. The accumulation of three tickets, with the exception of traffic violations, in a twelve-month period, shall result in the immediate suspension of lake and/or beach privileges. To have privileges re-instated, a freeholder may appeal to the Security Commission, in person, at its regularly scheduled meeting. **Each freeholder is responsible for informing their guests of the rules, and shall be held accountable for their guests' actions.** In order to have a community that can be enjoyed by all, freeholders shall read and adhere to the Rules and herein.

3. Any violations of the Rules and Regulations adopted by the CSCD Board, acting as Park and Lake Management, may result in a civil suit being filed to prohibit the freeholder's use

of CSCD facilities. In addition, the CSCD may recover court costs, attorney fees, and other costs of enforcement and correction.

Title Ten: Procedures for Adoption of Rules and Amendments

§10-1-1-1 Promulgation Procedures

1. Amendments and proposed new rules may be introduced at a monthly meeting of the CSCD Board by either a Board Member, CSCD Staff, or a Commission Chair.
2. After its introduction, the Board may choose to either refer the proposed rule or amendment to its Commissions or to take no further action.
3. For proposed rules referred back to the Commissions, the Commissions shall review the proposed rule and make any recommendations to the Board in writing at least five (5) days prior to the next CSCD Board meeting at which the rule shall be considered.
4. The CSCD Board may consider the rule for adoption at any subsequent meeting after the rule is introduced, so long as the meeting agenda reflects that a vote shall be taken regarding same.