## CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023- 12

## RESOLUTION DECLARING ZEBRA MUSSELS A NUISANCE AND ESTABLISHING REOUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN BOAT DECALS, BEACH PASSES, AND CLEANING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN WATERCRAFT AND EOUIPMENT PRIOR TO LAUNCHING ON CORDRY AND SWEETWATER LAKES

WHEREAS, the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District ("CSCD") is an Indiana Conservancy District organized and operating pursuant to I.C.14-33; and,

WHEREAS, the affairs of CSCD are managed by a Board of Directors authorized to exercise general supervision of and make regulations for the administration of the affairs of CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of CSCD has determined that zebra mussels pose an immediate and significant threat to the ecology of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of CSCD has determined that in order to protect Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes from significant damage which would be caused to the lakes if zebra mussels were introduced into the lakes, it is necessary to adopt rules and regulations which reduce the risk of zebra mussels being introduced into Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District that:

- 1. Zebra mussels are hereby declared a nuisance and a significant threat to the ecology of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes.
- 2. To receive boat stickers or a beach pass, a Freeholder must score a 100% on the Zebra Mussel Awareness Course.
- 3. 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, must 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.
- 4. 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 will 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 must 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 must 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 must 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.
- 5. All boats, trailers, personal flotation devices, paddle boards, and equipment to which this rule applies must be cleaned and free of debris, mud, or scum, prior to arriving at the decontamination/quarantine site.
- 6. Operators to whom this rule applies should work with the Boat Steward or self-decontaminate/quarantine.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. As to watercraft, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption. As to beach passes, this Resolution shall be effective January 1, 2024.

Adopted this 19th day of September, 2023.

## CODDDY SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY

	DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS				
Josh Edwards, Chairman	Aye	- —— Nay	Aaron Parris, Vice-Chairman	X Aye	——— Nay
Herb Benshoof	Aye	 Nay	Between Sherman	Aye	Nay
Michael Leavitt	Aye	—— Nay	Fu Col	Aye	———Nay
Mark Rasdall	Aye	Nay			
ATTEST:  Michael Lowvitt, Secretary	Aye	 Nay			
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