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Hi Elaine

Here is another one. Same situation.

Thank you,

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I have lived on the river for 13 years and I have seen a continued increase in boat traffic. There are many daily infractions on the river. Speed, driving on the wrong side, no observer, no flag, no nav lights at night. But the biggest hazard is the wake surfing. They are a 100% hazard to anyone else on the river. Boats, kayaks, paddle boards and a definite hazard to the floating docks and their pier poles. There is a dramatic negative effect to the shoreline as these wake boats surf by. If you encounter these enormous wakes while using the river you need to slow down dramatically and pray the bow doesn't dip under their wake and drench your passengers. Then the boat slams down on the other side. If you are skiing or tubing it's best to just stop and wait for the wake boat to pass rather than try to encounter the wake and risk a dangerous fall. Ban the wake boats on the river. The lake is just around the corner Beyond those river problems. The thought of putting several hundred more boats on the river is unjustifiable. Plus, if nothing is done about banning the wake boats what percentage of the new boats will be wake boats.? Nothing positive can come from ANY more slips on the river. Common sense needs to dictate the decisions moving forward.

Not MONEY, POLITICS OR FRIENDSHIPS. Please stop this before someone gets hurt or killed. Phil Restuccia