

Citizen Resolution # 450722

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Excessive noise from watercraft

There has been a recurring issue of excessive noise from watercraft on my lake. Over the past 2 years there has been an "air boat", motor boats and a "cigarette" boat passing by my home with excessive motor noise. I have even seen the "air boat" enter a marsh and low water area at high speed with no respect for wild life or plant life, including scaring deer out of the marsh. I have never seen a state official in the area taking a sound level of the water craft. State law says that "it is illegal to operate a vessel that produces a sound level that exceeds 86 decibels measured from a distance of 50 feet or more from the vessel unless a special permit has be obtained."There needs to be testing performed on the decibel levels of these crafts, no just on my lake, but any other lake in Wisconsin.

Develop a coordinated plan to monitor decibel levels at the lakes where high speed, big and loud boats are active and fines placed on those who violate the law.

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