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### REGULATORY BUOY 5 MPH AREA HAZARD BUOYS

#### GUIDELINES FOR CHOOSING AND PLACING A REGULATORY BUOY

A Lakebed Administrative Encroachment Permit must be obtained for a Regulatory Buoy. There is a one-time permit fee of \$50.

#### BUOYS:

- ◆ Use U. S. Coast Guard approved buoy such as Rolyan or Caljune.
- ◆ Wording: “**SLOW 5 MPH**”, **Swim Area, Hazard**
- ◆ Label the buoy with your name and phone number so it can be returned should the buoy become detached.

#### PLACEMENT:

- ◆ Lakefront property owners may normally place one 5 MPH buoy per parcel.
- ◆ Place the buoy no farther than 200 feet from the most lakeward point of your pier or other structure.
- ◆ Swim area and Hazard locations must be approved by Lakebed Management prior to placement of a buoy.
- ◆ Your buoy anchor should weigh approximately 90 pounds.
- ◆ Use 3/16 inch proof coil or galvanized chain for the anchor chain.
- ◆ Loop the anchor chain through the anchor eye twice then attach the end link to one of the chain links with a chain connecting link.
- ◆ Lower the anchor to the bottom with anchor chain.
- ◆ After the anchor reaches the bottom, allow enough additional anchor chain for high lake level of +12 feet Rumsey (i.e. if the lake is at zero Rumsey, allow an additional 12 feet; if the lake is at +4 feet Rumsey, allow an additional 8 feet, etc.). This will allow the lake to rise without sinking the buoy or pulling the anchor.