

PML
Wakeboard and Waterski Club

Lake Use Survey

2008

Purpose

- To clarify the perceptions of lake users regarding fast boating, wakes, and their impact on other activities on the lake
- Help guide the Board in their decisions
- Start building a broad consensus of support for the Lake Rules based on data

Methodology

- Sent notice of the survey and hardcopy ballots to 545 families:
 - All 240 lakefront owners –the most impacted
 - All 305 other families that registered boats – the most familiar with conditions on the lake.
- Link to online survey thru PMLWWC website
- Article in PML News directing all other PML owners to survey

Response Rate

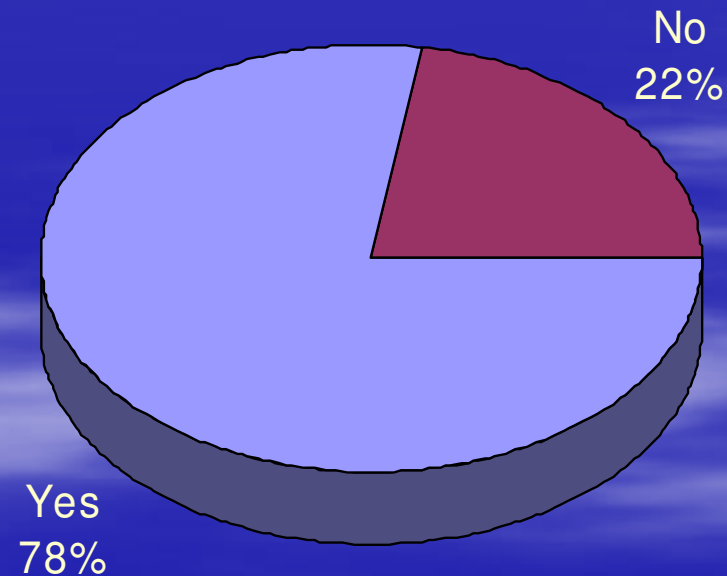
- 278 total respondents
 - 44% of those targeted, 8% of the association
- Solid representation from all areas
 - 47% of all lakefront owners
 - 55% of pontoon boat owners
 - 56% of power boat owners
 - 45% of sailboat owners
 - 51% of fishing/row boats & other

A very credible group of respondents

- 61% of the part time residents said that they spend most of the summer or several full weeks and weekends at the lake
- 55% of all respondents said they get out on the lake daily for at least an hour when they are at PML
- Another 39% say they get out every couple of days for an hour or so

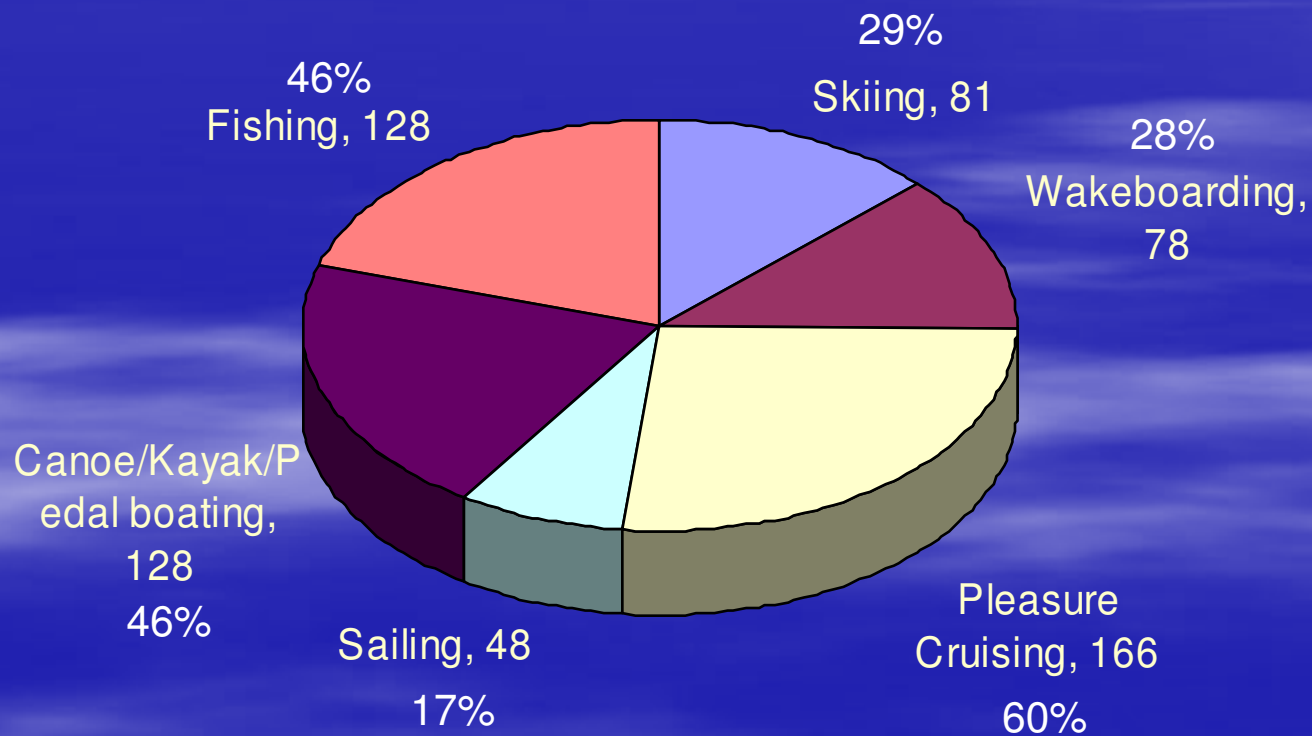
The association is **VERY** supportive of fast boating at PML

Do you believe that the association should continue to allow fast boating activities on the lake?



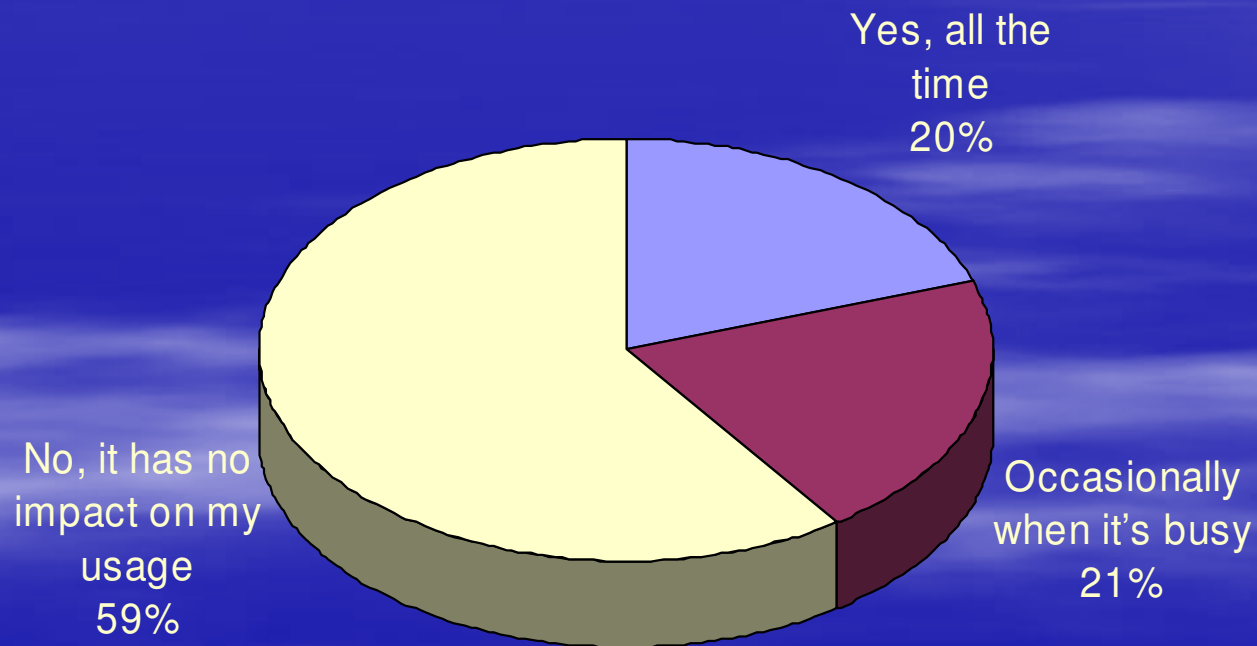
Despite Pleasure Cruising being cited by the most respondents as a favored activity...

How does your family primarily spend their time using the lake? Check up to 3



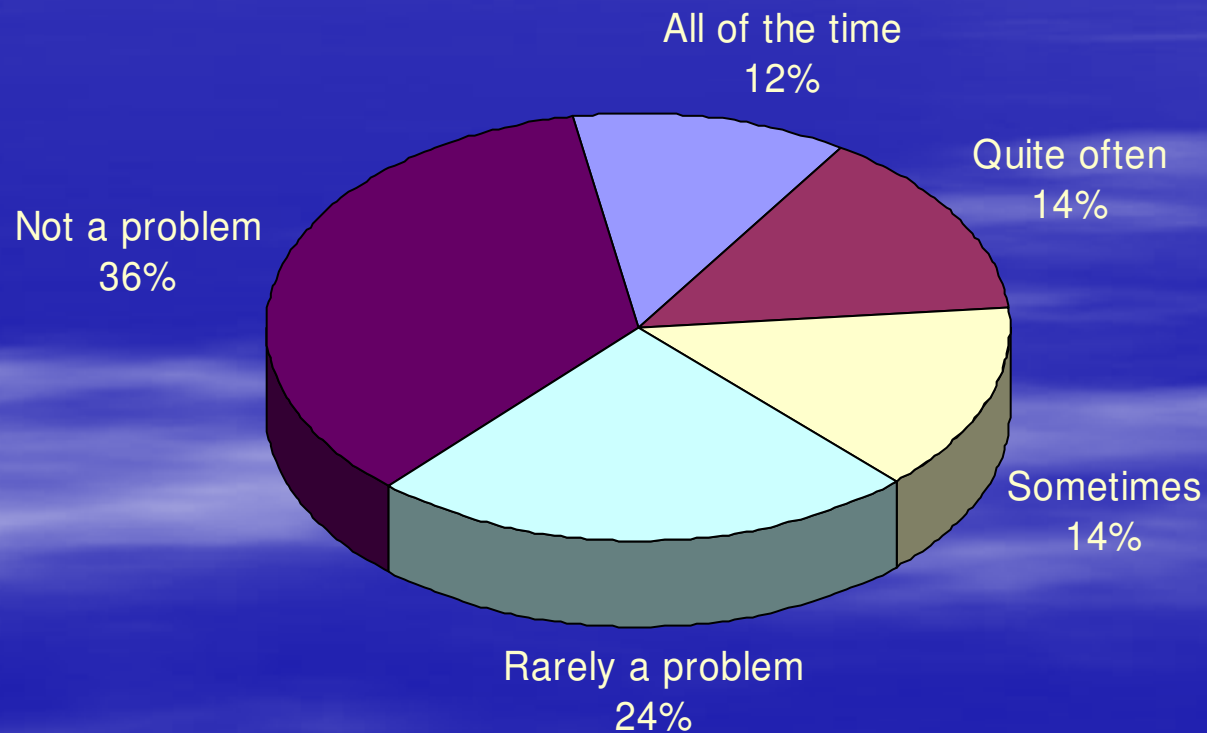
Most respondents DO NOT believe that wakes during fast boat hours restrict **THEIR** use of the main part of the lake

Do you believe you are unable to utilize the main part of the lake the way you would like to during ski hours because of large or excessive wakes?



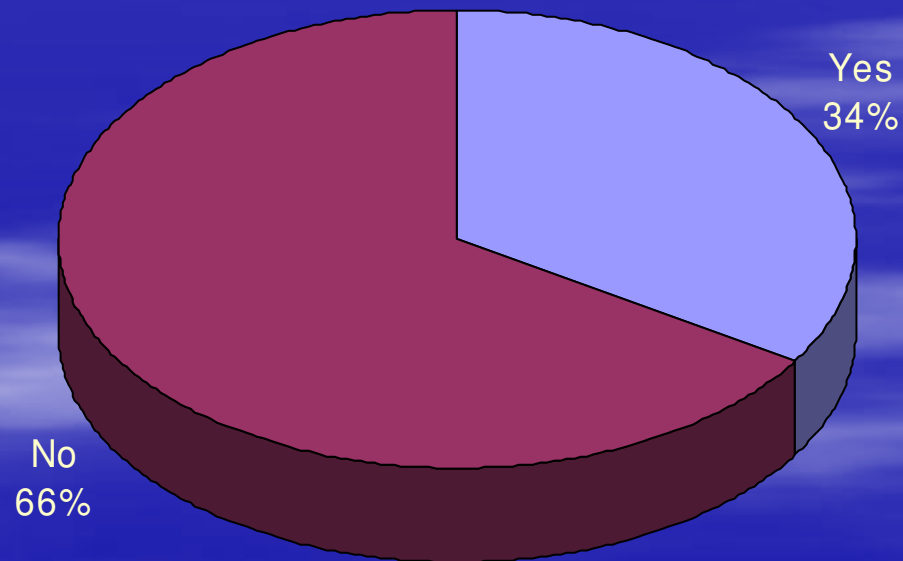
Most respondents DO NOT believe that wakes during fast boat hours restrict OTHERS use of the main part of the lake

How often are wakes a significant problem for other boats or swimmers using the lake during ski hours?



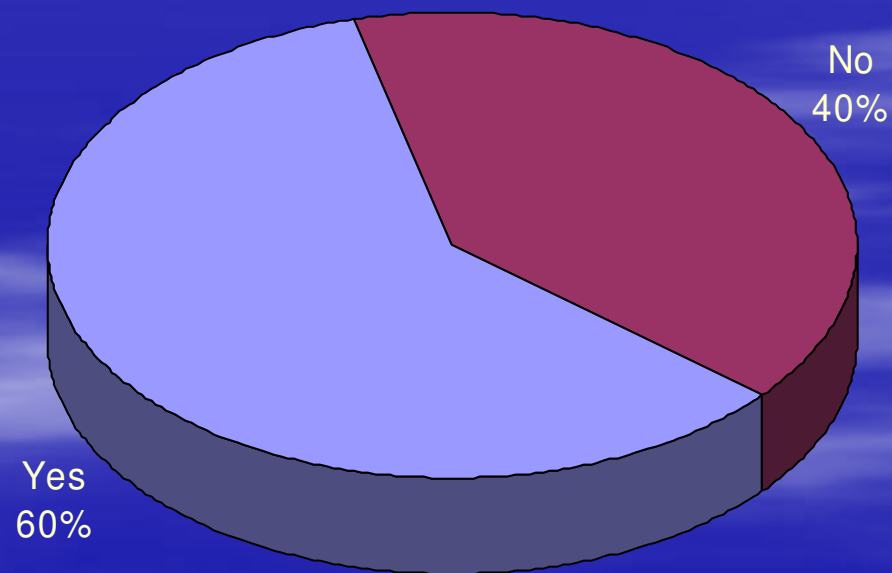
Most respondents DO NOT believe that eliminating wake/knee boarding will address issues that people may have with wakes

Do you believe that eliminating knee and wakeboarding will address problems that may exist with large wakes?



Most respondents DO believe that further restricting access to skiing and wakeboarding will reduce property values.

Do you believe that further limiting access to skiing and wakeboarding will lessen the attractiveness of PML and reduce property values?



Most Lakefront homeowners DO NOT find wakes to be a significant problem

- 71% believe that the association should continue to allow fast boating.
- 55% believe that large or excessive wakes during fast boat hours have NO IMPACT on THEIR ability to use the main part of the lake, 23% say they are occasionally impacted.
- 67% of lakefront homeowners believe that wakes are NOT a regular problem for OTHER users during fast boat hours.
- 55% of lakefront homeowners DO NOT believe that eliminating wake/knee boarding will address any issues with large wakes.

Most Pleasure Cruisers DO NOT find wakes to be a significant problem

- 73% believe that the association should continue to allow fast boating.
- 54% believe that large or excessive wakes during fast boat hours have NO IMPACT on THEIR ability to use the main part of the lake, 21% say they are occasionally impacted.
- 67% of pleasure cruisers believe that wakes are NOT a regular problem for OTHER users during fast boat hours.
- 61% of Pleasure cruisers DO NOT believe that eliminating wake/knee boarding will address any issues with large wakes.

Full time residents are more negative towards wakes, wakeboarding and fast boating but the majority support it

- 60% believe that the association should continue to allow fast boating.
- 41% believe that large or excessive wakes during fast boat hours have NO IMPACT on their ability to use the main part of the lake, 19% say they are occasionally impacted.
- 52% of full time residents believe that wakes are NOT a regular problem for other users during fast boat hours.
- 57% of full time residents believe that eliminating wake/knee boarding WILL address problems with large or problem wakes.
- Full time residents represent 30% of the families registering boats and 20% of lakefront owners.

Wakes are caused/compounded by.....

- Wind and normal chop
- How weight is distributed in the boat including ballast.
- The trim of the prop and the plane of the boat.
- The speed of the boat.
- The shape of the ski pattern and the tightness of corners
- The size of the boat and it's hull design
- The number of boats in the pattern

Eliminating Wakeboarding will not reduce wakes!

- The device being towed does not create the wake.
- Small kids won't go any faster on ski's than they do on a wake board, maybe slower because they'll all be beginners.
- More families will want to utilize the late hours with flatter water creating more chop for pleasure cruisers.
- The same boat owners and drivers will still be pulling the kids around the pattern.

Eliminating Wakeboarding will only succeed in reducing wakes if it drives families off the lake

- Kids want to wakeboard just like they want to snowboard, it's easier to learn and just as fun on a flat wake.
- Most families have a mix of skiers and boarders and both are very popular at PML. 43% of survey respondents said they enjoy doing one or both.
- Skiing alone is no longer a draw as the ski areas found out.

Recommendations

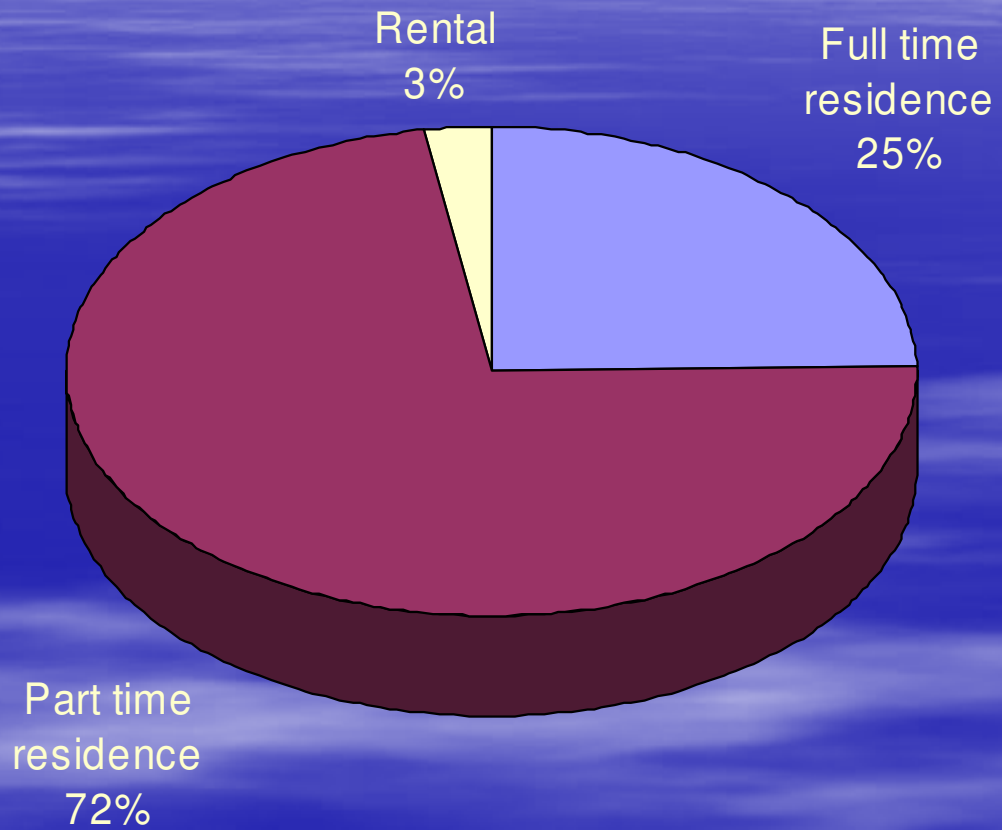
- Restore Wake/Knee boarding hours as recommended by WWC in March.
- Consider reducing the number of boats in the pattern during slower times as suggested by WWC in March.
- Consider a minimum speed guideline for boats in the pattern.
- Enforce the current rules on Wake Enhancement and Good Neighbor Rules.
- Evaluate the layout of the pattern. (take as much of the bend out as possible)
- Form a Lake Committee to study additional solutions and advise the board



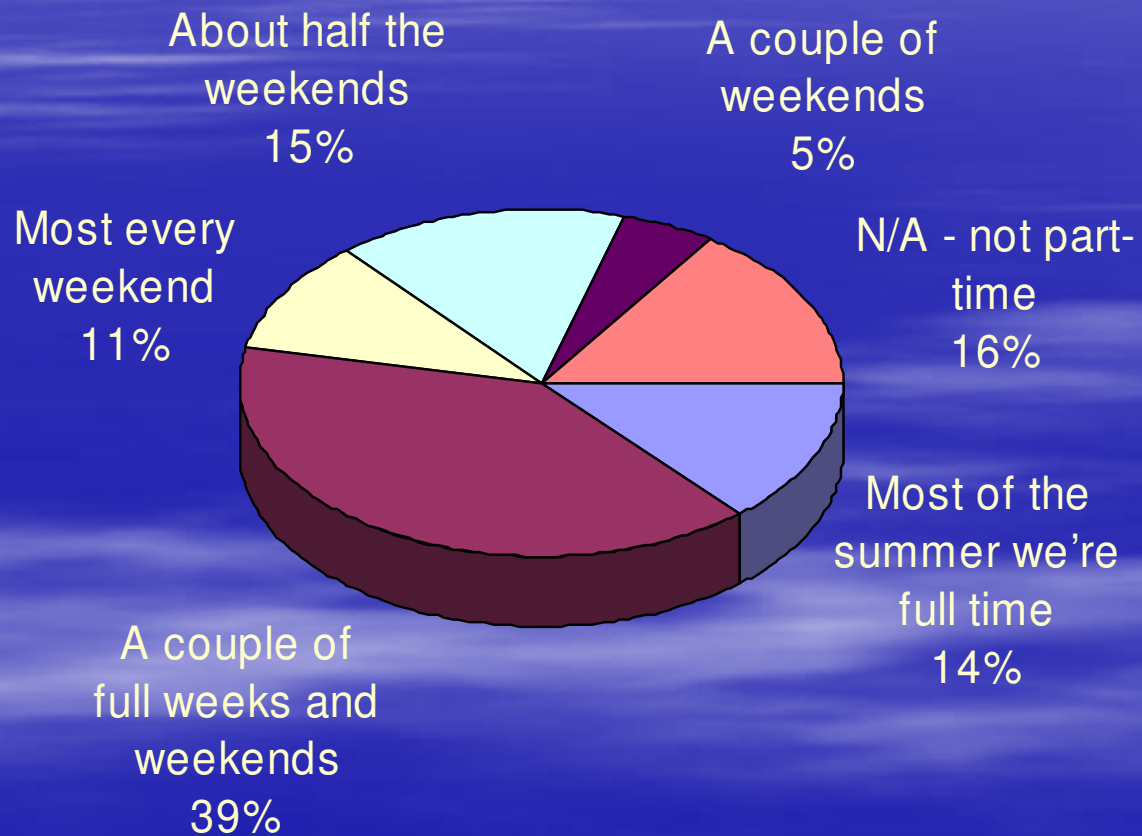
Thank-you!

Appendix

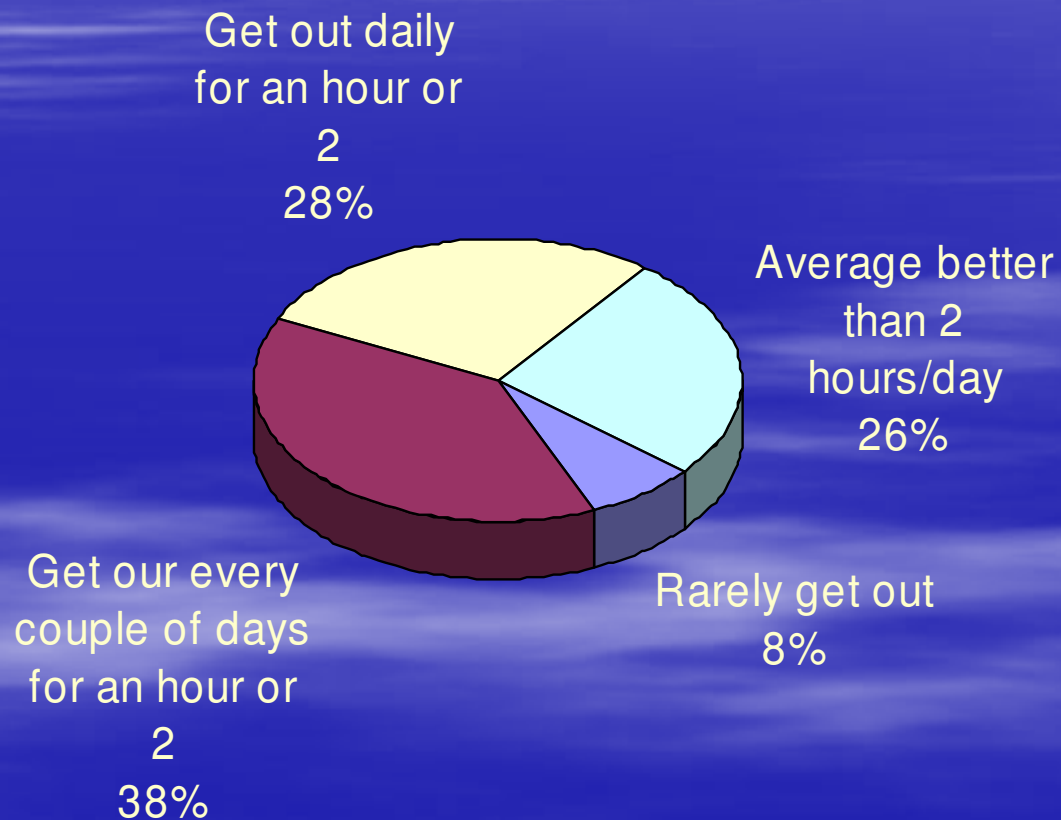
Is your PML home your?



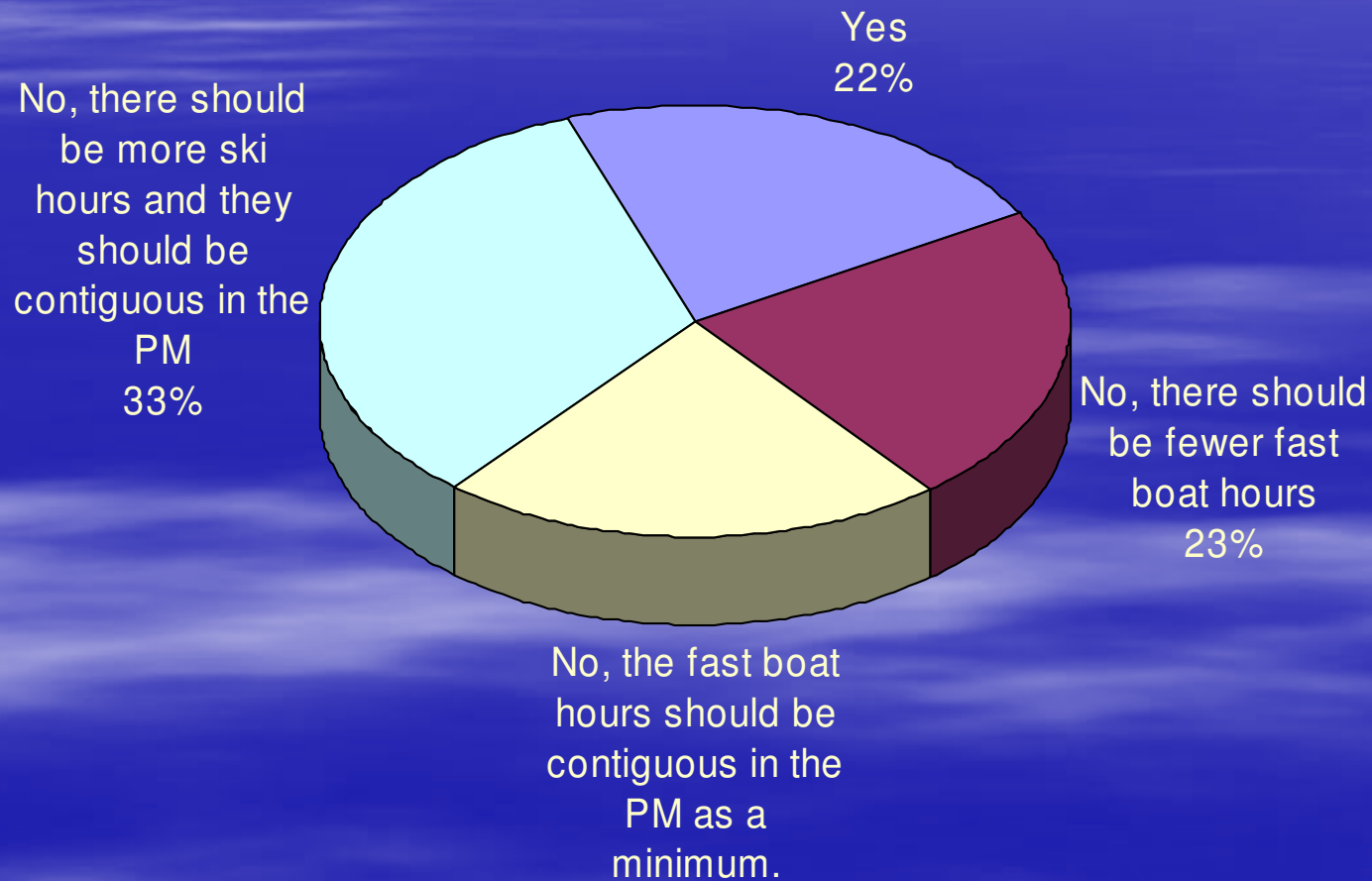
If part time, how much time are you able to spend at PML during the summer months?



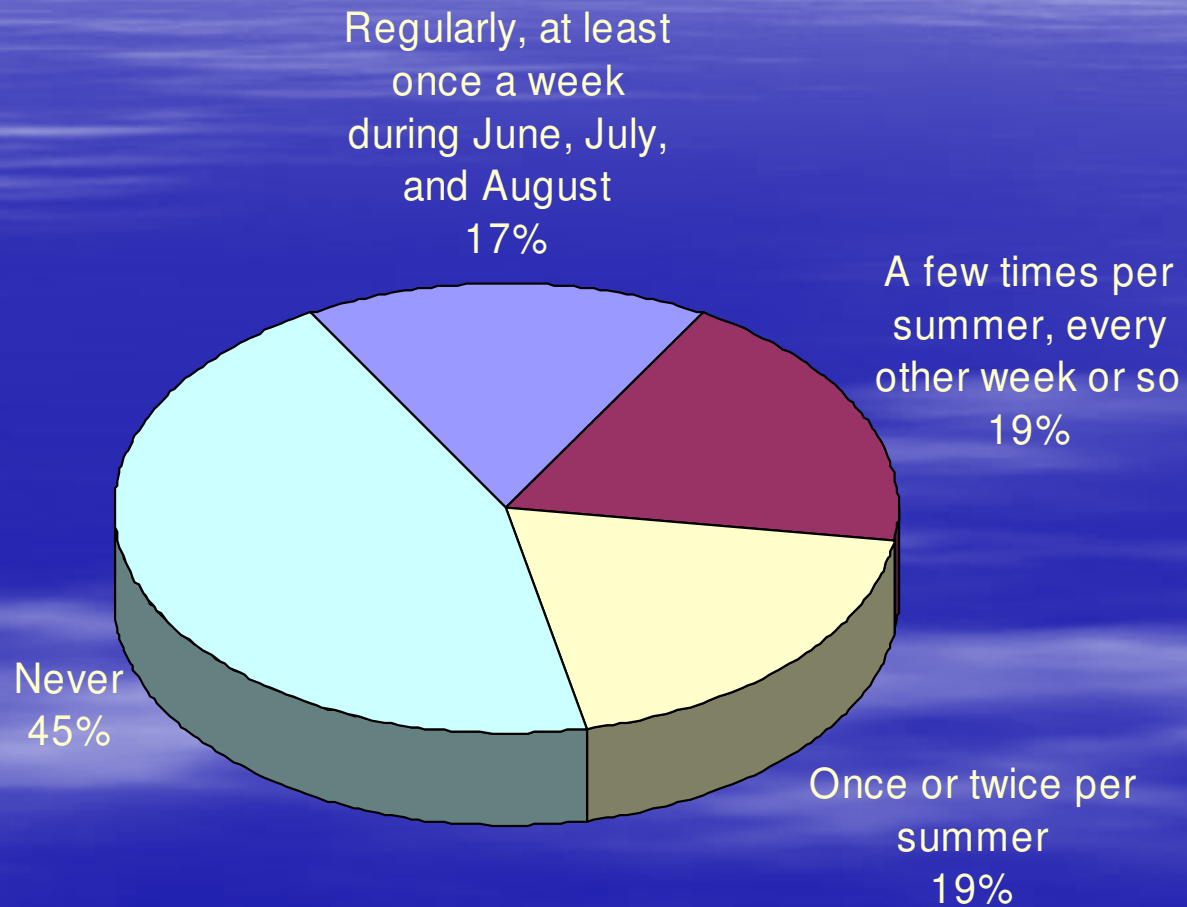
When at the lake, how many hours per day do you average on the water?



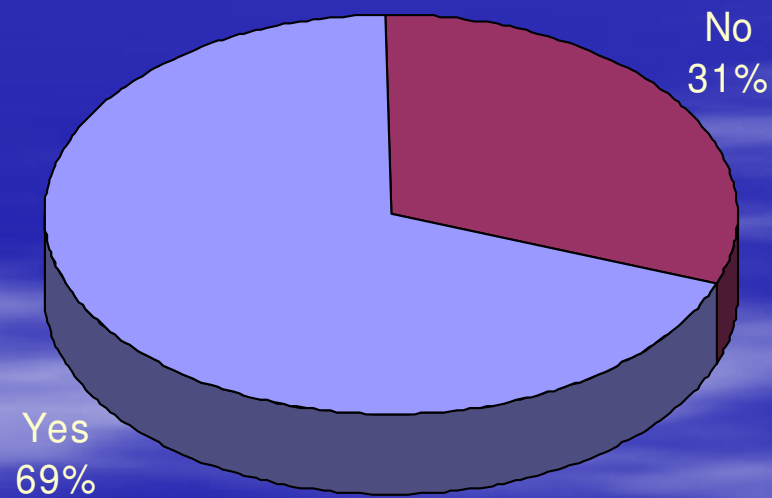
Do you believe that the proposal to restrict fast boating hours from 9-noon and 5-6 daily, and 7-8 daily except Weds, provide for an equitable use of the lake for fast boaters and skiers vs. the access all other users have?



How often would you use the 6-7 slow boat hour for a dinner cruise?



Do you believe that forming a Lake Use committee to examine the issues and recommend solutions would be productive in bringing a common understanding of the issues and a better long term solution to the health and Equitable Use of our lake?



Association Member Comments

The rules as negotiated 3 years ago were a fair balance and should be reinstated

Instating or especially removing any PML sanctioned activity should not be made at the sole discretion of the association board without prior receipt of a majority response via an open poll or ballot from the association members.

The values on the properties and interest from the people to come over to PML to enjoy the summer months will be reduced drastically if knee and wake boarding as well as skiing are limited. This would have a tremendous impact financially as well. All those skiers and wakeboarders consume at food the Marina Grill, but if these activities are canceled, Lake Don Pedro would get those revenues instead. If PML is looking for more revenues, they are not been practical about, instead, they will be loosing a great deal.

Limiting a popular activity because of a few property owner complaints is ridiculous. It only sets precedent for restricting other amenities at PML.

Association Member Comments

Slow Boaters interrupting prime ski/wakerboard hours should have the same requirements to sign up that fast boaters are required to do. If no slow boaters have signed up, then ski/wakeboard time could continue.

Having owned my property on the for 7 plus years, and own a ski boat, yet rarely wakeboard or ski, I find the prospect of eliminating this sport preposterous. We always cruise during dinner hours and find the impact from the wake minimal or non existant. If I am correct, one of the board members is relatively new to the area and if this is true, would that person buy a home next to an airport and then complain about the noise?

You really can't negotiate with these people, they have wanted us gone for a long time and will stop at nothing to achieve their goal.

Association Member Comments

We bought our home at PML because we wanted our kids to be able to ski and wakeboard in a safe environment. We are shocked that the Board feels that they can take this amenity away from the membership with no documentation to support their reasons for eliminating wakeboarding. We believe that if the Board has had complaints about wakes or equitable usage of the lake, they should form a committee to explore all aspects of the issues, give the committee specific tasks, and perform their duty as Board members in representing and responding to the entire membership of PML.

We would urge that those deciding upon this issue to consider input from all concerned parties. We would strongly hope that whatever is necessary to attain this input is pursued.

1. The patrol boat and slow boats generate sometimes sizable wakes in our "no wake" area of the lake. This is a bigger problem to us than the ski/wakeboat wakes.
2. I think that only 1-2 boats on the lake continuously generate large/oversize wakes. There should be an ENFORCED process in place to give 1-2 warnings and then revoke ski permits. This would probably solve the problem.

Association Member Comments

I knew there were rules when I bought my place, but I have come to realize there are way to many rules. Are dues are getting too expensive. The Lake and the Golf course are why I bought and it seems that there are to many people who did the same but have forgotten about enjoying the lake. Let's just all enjoy what we have.

I am 87 years old and I DO NOT want to see PML become a retirement community. I stongly feel that banning wake and knee boarding will have a direct NEGATIVE inpact on our property values at PML. I stongly encourage the board to look at the big picture on how futher restictions of lake or any of the amenities we have at PML will reduce our property values and potential considerations for resdidents at PML. I have enjoyed watching my grandchildren learn to ski and wakeboard on PML. PML has been a place that my entire family has wanted to come to and I hope that they will contuinue to want to come. These lake rule changes the baord has suggested are absoulty rediculous.

Association Member Comments

The use of the lake by skiers and wakeboarders is really only a few hours a week during the summer months and it seems this is a reasonable use of the lake. Not all boaters use boats that enerate big wakes and the slots available are not always full during the week. We are really talking about minimal use by skiers and wakeboarders as it is.

I can't believe the board would just change the lake usage without at least considering comments or more data from a lake use committe. Makes me feel like I have no say in what we will do with the lake. What's next no boats!!! There must of been a good discussion back in 1997 about allowing wake boarding and knee boarding, what a wasted effort for those individuals

Remember we are only really addressing concerns that come up for 6 weeks of summer and not even really whole weeks but mostly week-ends. Let the children play.

Association Member Comments

We are a family that loves to ski and wakeboard. However, we are starting to see more and more restrictions placed on those that wakeboard. I intend to have grandkids learn to ski. They first learn to be pulled at speeds of 5 to 10 miles per hour creating no wake at all. Finally, if property owners are so concerned with erosion, then they should look to include CCRs for the type of docks that are allowed to be built on the lake. Some of these docks contribute to erosion simply by there design and methods of polluting the lake.

We have been skiing on the lake for 28 years without this problem. A few new home owners move on the lake and want to end our reason to enjoy the lake as we have for 28 years.....why?

If kneeboarding and wakeboarding are banned or drastically limited there is a good chance my family will look for another lake to buy on.

Association Member Comments

I believe the constant fighting and changing of rules (when we bought in 1999, it was accounting as the "big" fight, along with golf course losses) and the various control issues are ruining PML. No data on wakes has been produced, and the board should never take a big issue and make a unilateral decision. It goes against fair play and basic values.

when we purchased at PML, it was with the express purpose of having a boat on the lake.. if the Bd were to reduce or eliminate that use, I would lead a comittee to remove the board

The lake is much too small for fast boats...

There are many lakes in the area that fast boats can use. I would utilize the lake more often if fast boats were restricted. The Lake is much too small for fast boats...

Association Member Comments

I feel that the home values will go down without wakeboarding and Knee boarding. We part time residents are paying for lower fees for the full time residents. If the part timers leave, than the full timers rates will increase. Basic economics.

We primarily use the lake for swimming.

I am concerned that this Board is making assumptions about the damage that wakes do to the lake front property, without knowing for sure whether it is the fast boats that are the culprits. It could be the winter storms that do the most damage; we do not know for sure. I am especially concerned that this Board is once again pitting one kind of property owner and Amenity User against other kinds. This has happened before at PML, and it was not pretty. I am concerned that lake front property owners are being given "super rights" over the rest of us property owners, and I resent that.

Association Member Comments

Hmm, I suspect the choice of survey questions makes my response appear negative. I'm a fisherman and you obviously can't fish anywhere near the ski boats. But skiers could just as well complain that they can't ski where I'm fishing. We all share the lake as public property as part of our purchase at PML. That means we all have to share the usage. I much prefer allocated time vs a 'free for all'. The current ski hours or a minor variation are OK with me with the assumption that we have some sort of 'fair' allocation based on number of people/usage. If we are going to get hung up on our pet peeves, I'd like to talk about the sailors who cut across my trolling lines or the 2 lots who make a point of scaring off the fish whenever I come near their lakefront property. My point is that you can't really legislate against stupidity, rudeness or self-centeredness. Most people will be OK and there will always be a few jerks. I'd really prefer to see a discussion about environmental issues that can truly affect property values. Is erosion an issue? Should we outlaw 2 cycle engines (I have one)? Why is it that the valve that vents sewage directly into the lake get 'accidentally' left open once or twice a year? Why does the valve even exist? If the skiers could get that valve permanently removed, they'd deserve an extra hour of skiing a day due to having fixed a real issue. Thanks for a nice letter and listening.

Association Member Comments

The lake was the primary reason I purchased property at PML. I already pay extra to register my boat AND an additional fee for the privilege to ski.

We do not use the lake enough to have an opinion on wake impact to other boaters, property owners, docks etc. Our use is limited to a 10' dingy with outboard, we usually just putt around in mid-afternoon hours, we have never seen a ski boat while we are out on the lake.

One of the main reasons we built our home here was for our kids to be able to use the lake for both water skiing and wake boarding.

I do not want to stop skiers from enjoying the lake- but I do not want to turn this into another Bass Lake. I bought here because it was a mature boating lake-with restrictions. I know some young people came here from Bass lake and are now wanting to turn this into a fast boating lake.I can see some of the damage done to some of the lakefront homes- we need to protect our property- no wake boards- jet ski's. Hopefully a committe can help work this out

Association Member Comments

There should be a way to limit the amount of times you can sign up for skiing, so that certain people don't monopolize the use. After a certain amount of times, you can only be on the standby list so others will have a chance. A couple of years ago, we paid our fees and never was able to make it on the list.

The wake from 'fast boats' are negatively impacting our shoreline. It's amazing how those waves travel and how strong they are when they reach our shore! I would prefer no fast boats...there are plenty of opportunities for skiing in nearby large lakes.

#9 - 1 hr of "slow boat time" between ski time is rather dumb! I would rather see 12-6 as "slow boat time" and have skiing 6-8.

#12 - I believe limiting skiing would reduce property values. I don't believe limiting wakeboarding will reduce property values. If you look at Wed. (for instance) you'll see that most patio boats are tied up at the mouth of Big Creek or near the dam and don't really use the center of the lake that much.

Association Member Comments

Compromise is at the center of community living.

lake use committee would be like most committees in that it will be predominantly full time residents and not representative of all property owners or users of the lake

The question of a "wake" is not limited to just fast boating. I usually cruise at minimum speed (about) 5 mph. Because of my hull design, I leave a wake (so do the geese). The lake front property owners must accept the fact that water movement along the beach is a natural occurrence and should take steps to protect their beach. A windy day creates far more erosion and dock damage than a boat wake. If the lake front owners continue to push the issue of no wakes, they are risking the possibility that high speed boat owners will not put their boats on the lake and thus leave the expensive and revenue generating moorage nearly empty. This of course would suit the lake front people just fine. After all, they are probably the ones that want the country club to stay open even with it's history of huge losses.

Association Member Comments

My position is that while traditional ski wakes are annoying to me personally, they are an established part of PML. The added damage, risk, and general disturbance of activities like wakeboarding is unacceptable.

I believe the current restrictions already force many families to use other lakes other than PML due to inconveniences and time restrictions. Further limiting them will only reduce the number more, thus further limiting the number of skiers/wakeboarders. When counting lake usage, the number of skiers vs. slow boaters will be further unbalanced, thus throwing the statistics off even more

Younger families have bought into PML for the water activities for their children. Restricting boat use would make PML less attractive. Older people are over-reacting and showing discrimination to younger families.

Association Member Comments

The wake & knee boards go slow (not plane) and create a lot of waves. I bounce up and down in the canoe, sailboat, or pontoon boat. I have seen people go flying along with the food/drinks as a wave drove the front end down with a sudden stop. Our lake is too small for the wake type boats. The big growth is in kayaks, canoes, & pontoon boats. Go to Don Pedro for the wake boards. Regular skis are OK. BIGGEST frustration is NO fast boats on the lake many evenings BUT we cannot plan to take people out as we DON'T know till it occurs whether wavy boats will be on the lake. THE COMPROMISE IS TO KEEP SKIS ONLY WITH FEWER HOURS. (They get an unfair % right now vs all the other registered boats on the lake. I will not let grandkids go out by themselves during ski hours for safety (the unexpected) !

Association Member Comments

We all were promised skiing is allowed on the lake . . It will be illegal to change that now. plus . It will lower the property values dramatically. . Skiing and is only busy on some week ends in the summer . Most of the time it is not busy with skiers.

Thanks for taking the initiative to do this

Limiting a popular activity because of risk of property damage to a few property owners is wrong. Should we ban golfing because a home on the course might get hit with a golf ball and damage property?

The more activities at PML attracts homeowners and keeps our property values up in this slumping market.

We do not want to pay for any more committees! We have been coming up regularly since 1984 and have coexisted with skiers and fast boats with no problems ever. We don't care about wakes for lakefront properties! Complainers need to realize that everyone has a right to a different recreational source be it sailing, skiing, fishing or whatever. Thank you

Association Member Comments

When we purchased a home at PML in 1992 kneeboarding and wakeboarding was not permitted. Since we had a son, and friends, who were kneeboarding, we simply went to Don Pedro. Teh wakeboarding and kneeboarding got started around 1997 or 1998 and never should have been started in my opinion. This lake is to small for wakeboars and wakeboarding and kneeboarding, sooner or later someone is going to get hurt. The wakes are so large at times boats are rocking to the dangerous point and standing on some docks is dangerous. I think watersking should be continued. It is difficult to believe that anyone bought at PML for the primary reasons of wakeboarding and/or watersking. When sail boats and slow boats are being used on the lake other water craft can use the lake, but when wakeboats are bing use other boats cannot not logically use the lake. I can also tell you that the people on the pontoon boats are not just a bunch of old people who do not like kids (well maybe old people) but many times there are kids out on the pontoon boats. There is no easy answer to this matter, but I do support the PML Board with the nrew lake rules going back to pre 1998 and not allowing wakeboard/kneeboarding. I am sure thisis not what some of you want to hear

Association Member Comments

We own a power boat and do waterski and innertube, but only at Lake Don Pedro. We enjoy kayaking and dinner cruising on PML. I grew up spending every summer at PML as my family built our cabin at PML in the 1970's. We used to waterski on PML when I was a teenager in the 80's, however, even back then as a kid I didn't think the lake was big enough for waterskiing and we mostly skied at Don Pedro. PML is a great lake for kayaks, fishing and cruising. The lake is simply too small for waterskiing and I believe that avid waterskiers realize this and take the time to go to Don Pedro which provides a much better skiing experience. If skiing, wakeboarding, engine blow out, etc. is to be allowed on PML I think it should be in the mornings only from 9am to 11am.

When I bought my property in 1972 access to the lake and skiing was unlimited. I think it would be unfair to limit waterski hours any further.

Association Member Comments

This is a very difficult issue - balancing lake use in a fair way. I commend the WWC for its efforts to find a solution

The old Wed night -no ski, was ok. The 6-7 restriction was NOT USED by the slow boaters last year

Eliminating wake boarding has us considering selling our property at PML!

Don Pedro provides excellent water sports activities of all kinds. PML is too small for speeding boats

I bought my property partly because of the lake, and opportunity to ski on it. If this changes, I should be compensated since the value of my home with decline

Association Member Comments

I have a ski boat, but PML is too small. I found it to be a toilet bowl with just a couple of boats. I now use Don Pedro. I have a pontoon boat and use it on PML. This is more suited for that size of lake. The power boats don't bother me because I don't live on the lake. I just think the lake is too small and the speed should be a maximum of 10 mph. sorry!

Having been on and fished other lakes, it is my opinion that given factors, (size, physical orientation, etc.)skiing would be more appropriate on a larger lake.

I like the hours we have now. It seems that it gives time to everyone.

I don't have sufficient insight to Q8 to form an opinion.

Association Member Comments

PML is a small lake and therefore limits are needed. However, we have them and they don't seem unreasonable. There are only a very few lots that are wake affected and these are a small percentage of even lakefront lots. It's a balance, and I don't feel we are out of balance today.

I believe that current board members bring bias and conflict of interest to the table in addressing watercraft issues. Professional mediation should be considered for issues that set horrible precedents for a diverse community. Family values are undermined when rules that support drinking and boating (Wed. wine nite) over family based water sports

We just feel that PML is too small of a lake for the mentioned water sports- especially with Don Pedro nearby. We have nothing against these water activities or the people who do them, but since we don't- of course it's easy for us to say that we'd rather not have these activities on the lake. It just comes down to personal use/habits.

Association Member Comments

PML Lake recreational usage is a complex issue. There is no way to please everyone. A good compromise is the best that can be done. For many water sports enthusiasts, a major reason they own property here is lake usage including boating, swimming, fishing, and water sports. Wakeboarding is a very popular water sport activity for the younger generation as is jetskiing and fast boating. Of course the size of the lake and serenity of PML makes jetskiing and loud fast boats undesirable. But wakeboarding should be allowed with some limitations to minimize adverse impacts on others. Wakeboarders are not the problem, it is the wake that the boats produce that creates a problem for erosion and excessively rough water bouncing the docks and boats tied up at shore. Management of this usage so as to best still allow wakeboarding is to better manage the wake issue. One possibility, although somewhat difficult, is to not allow for boats to produce excessive wakes, while this may lessen the thrills for the wakeboarder, it still allows them to use the lake without impacting others as much. Another potential is to allow wakeboarding only for some morning hours when fewer swimmers and pleasure boaters are out on the lake. Optionally, the route for wakeboarding could be altered to not use the eastern portion of the lake towards Lake Lodge and the houses that are along that waterfront area. There are less homes near the dam, marina, and Dunn court beach so as to minimize waves breaking on waterfront docks. This is not totally equitable to all waterfront property but does provide some kind of compromise. I personally lean to allow wakeboarding in the AM hours and disallow boats that produce too great of a wake. This type of usage would be equivalent to waterskiing's impact and probably be the best compromise.

Association Member Comments

The survey questions were answered as if our construction were complete, reflecting our intended use. 9am is too early for fast boating hours, and 8pm is too late. Prohibiting fast boat hours would, however, be foolish for everyone from a real estate investment standpoint. We would like to see contiguous am and pm hours, for example, 10-12 and 4-6.

I do kneeboard and this was not a category. My main use is for Groveland/visiting kids to learn to kneeboard.

This survey should have an "Undecided" option. When I sail, I need wind which is mid to late afternoon. I would also like to have FULL access to the lake during this time.

Re: Item 11 How will this committee be formed? Who will it represent? What will its powers/responsibilities be? What would the timeline be?

Association Member Comments

I don't have strong feelings about the time split but I just would like it to be clear and consistent - It seems to change frequently

It seems to me that homeowners on the water knew that the lake was used for waterskiing at the time of purchase. Why change the rules now?

I don't believe that there should be changes to current lake rules that would eliminate time zones, activities or any type of boating unless we have an opinion letter or letters from qualified licensed individuals. Studies on the lake should be done immediately for an entire year so that we get a feel for what occurs over a 12 month 4 season time frame. I think all the board member should have to discuss the reasons for their wanting to change the rules and where it is that they got their qualified information. If they have not consulted a qualified licensed individual then they should not be allowed to vote on the subject. They also should not be impacted directly - if a board member has a doc on the water they should not be able to vote

Association Member Comments

Swimming and diving from boats should be allowed during non water ski times. The lake fees for small crafts (paddle, windsurfer, kayak, rowboats) should be eliminated.

The primary reason we bought a second home at PML was the advantages of having a lake near our home for our young children to learn to wake board and ski.

If the lake was properly maintained and dredged like the original by laws stated we would not be worrying about the erosion problems cause by the wakes. Think about it. This is just a recent problem. If we followed our original intent to maintain the lake everyone can still enjoy it. I see more pontoon boats breaking the 5 mph zone and making larger destructive wakes. Some of the most serious offenders are the boat patrol and water taxi. Time to get our priorities straight here.

Association Member Comments

Inforce the current boating rules. Wakeboarding is not the problem. The way people drive their boats can sometimes be a problem! We have kids that look forward to the lake and are really loving wakeboarding. This is one of our reasons for buying lake front! Shleping the boat, kids food Grandparent, down to Padro is not why we bought our house. This has all been very disappointing, I haven't been able to tell my kids yet. I guess I'm hoping things might change before we get there!?

The board seems to be on a mission to ban all fast boat activities on the lake without regard to the opinions of the members they represent. There is no emergency to have new rules in place by summer. Create the lake use committee and take the time to do this right.

PML is just too small for fast boating.

Association Member Comments

Instead of reducing the water sports, the size and style of the power boats should be examined. Knee boarding should not be linked to knee boarding. Knee boarding uses the same speed as water skiing.

How about enlisting the Ass'n to have a list of damaged property and injured people?? Then we'd really know. Affected party calls security; they log the call; they do a touch and go to verify the claim. BTW - I had sailboats on SF Bay for 20+ years. The Bay swells rarely damaged the docks and they are 5 times or more higher and nastier than the little lake chop & wakes.

There has been far too much time spent on this subject, its a waste of our money and time...

to the board and mgmt--put our resources to better use and stop wasting time policing the lake

Association Member Comments

We are lake front owners (for 15 years) and never had a wake problem or erosion issues due to wakeboarding. We bought our property on the lake for the purpose of wakeboarding/sking/fast boating and with anticipation that we will be able to continue indefinitely. If wakeboarding is taken away, our property values, and the personal value that PMLA is to us will diminish significantly. With our experience on the lake, etc, we see absolutely no safety problems with wakeboarding. PMLA will lose a lot of revenue from wakeboarders to other surrounding lakes in the area (non registering boats/ concession revenues, etc)

We do not use our boat on P.M.I. because it is soooooo restricted. We prefer tube and that is not allowed at all. We keep our boat at Pedro because this lake is basically for paddle and party barges. The choice of P.M.I. We were told once by a marina employee that the people with lake front homes do not like the wakes, probably should not have purchased on the lake then. Bottom line Pedro is the place to be with a power boat.

Association Member Comments

we won't have a lake in another 20 years if something is not done about the siltation problem.

I would appreciate a PML Board perspective that represents its entire constituency and balances their desires, not individual preferences

PML Residents should all be willing to compromise so that others have an opportunity to enjoy the lake. We don't do either, activity, but skiing and float boats should be able to share the evening with time separation.

Our Lake is a very big attraction to home owners and visitors. The present rules help to keep it accessable to all lake users.

I don't think you made a distinctin between skiing, a nonissue, and the real issue, namely, wakeboarding.

Association Member Comments

I would use my boat on PML if the restrictions were not so difficult. PML makes it hard to ski/wakeboard on the lake.

We are only able to visit the lake for a couple of weeks a year. We enjoy the water skiing and are disappointed they are reducing the hours. We will have even less time to enjoy our favorite activity on the water.

we have a wakeboard boat and we keep it at Lake Don Pedro. We're there in 15 minutes. This lake is too small for wakeboarding.

Wakeboarding should never have been allowed to start in the first place. The lake is too small for such an activity.

Association Member Comments

I strongly believe the wrong issue is being addressed. If large wakes are the problem, then ban boats with the bladders that make the large wakes - I cannot for the life of me figure out why towing inner tubes is an issue - or wakeboards behind a "normal" ski boat. If the issue was addressed by looking at the physics of how large wakes are created, it would be obvious that it is primarily related to how much water is displaced by the boat and/or the object being towed. Since the objects being towed are relatively small and displace little water, they are not the culprit. Behind a standard ski boat, there is no increase in the wake just because of the type of thing being towed - it is only the specialized boats made to sink into the water specifically to displace large amounts of water which create the large wakes that are the problem - so ban those! I have given up on PML as a place to use my boat. It has become so rule ridden that I no longer want to launch it here - I feel I have to tow it to Don Pedro or Cherry to use it. What a shame. I have been an owner for 9 years. I read in the PML news that the survey was being given to boat owners that have registered their boats - you are not taking into account those of us that keep boats at PML (I actually keep two boats here) but no longer feel it is worth it to use our boats here. You might be surprised at how large this group is. I believe a Lake Use committee would be made up of only full time residents and would not represent the vacation home owners

Association Member Comments

very concerned if lake us for skiing & wakebaording is furhter limited that PML values will suffer. Stongly believe that the evening hours should be continuous and allow for either skiing or wakeboarding during the two hour period.

The lake is our communities' most valuable asset, and should be used as originally planned. Why would wake boarders and kneeboarders want to be limited by such a small lake? Why would they want to risk ruining this valuable amenity, for the thrill of their sport? Please help save the beauty of our lake. Thank you very much.

I am increasingly frustrated by the antiquated leadership of the PML board members destroying the community through restrictive actions and overspending.

Wakeboarding at PML necessarily will result in continuing damage to property, endangering life and limb, all forbidden by the State's boating code. The activity must, by law, be banned.

Association Member Comments

I feel that PML Lake is getting so many restrictions being lobbied by a few individuals for their benefit only that it is tarnishing the whole PML Lake experience. They are forgetting the lake is there for the enjoyment of the community with family activities which is the cornerstone of having a lake! As someone whom who enjoys dinner/cocktails on the lake we are always been able to enjoy calm waters no matter if skiing or wakeboarding is staking place. I think if this proposal goes through just to satisfy a few individuals the values will definitely drop. People who moved on the lake need to realize that waves are part of lake living and it goes with the program. If they do not like waves then move to the golf course or stables

Like all PML homeowners, I knew the lake rules before I purchased. Changing the rules after the fact is unfair to skiing and wakeboarding enthusiasts.

Association Member Comments

As an interested PML property owner and general observer (ie, a non-owner of lake front property and non-owner of any boat), I have probably formed my opinions based on comments I hear from friends who do own lake-front property more than from part-time residents with kids/grandchildren. In my humble opinion, the PML lake is far too small for a lot of fast-boating activities. While I would hate to see a complete ban on this, I do think a majority of the PML owners (and especially the full-time residents, typically those who are older/retired) have little/no interest in these activities. It is unfortunate that the minority group can not reach an agreement with the majority over this issue without resentment and divisiveness. To me the bigger issue is the overall health of the lake, ie dredging. Thanks for giving me a chance to express my opinion.

A retired engineer who understands boating and marine problems says the wind causes more erosion than the boats.

Association Member Comments

PMI is too small for fast large wake craft. Nearby Tullock and Don Pedro are more appropriate for these boats

If a committee is formed, all participants should stick strictly to business, develop a list of problems and give pros & cons of solutions, with confirmation from each side.

When fast boating is in progress, the lake is not available to sailors, one can not navigate the edges and coves effectively.

We chose PML for the water activities, sure don't want to lose it!

We have one of the few available lakes which restrict excessive motorboat activity. Let's keep it that way. There are many other lakes for speedboats.

Association Member Comments

I would like to have less fast boats in the evening hours when we usually go on the lake

We have been at PML for 32 years and have loved to ski during that time. Our suggestion is to have skiing from 9-12 and 4-6 six days a week.

Our lake is too small for fast boat activities. We rented a seasonal boat slip at Moccasin for water skiing. This way the whole family can ski.

I feel that PML is too small a lake for fast boat activities.

My main concern with fast boats is that they do not stay within the bouys. That makes them unsafe and exacerbates the wake problem

Association Member Comments

We purchased our place at PML because of the lake and the opportunity to enjoy family activities on it. We are not aware of any problems waterskiing and wakeboarding create and we oppose changes to their usage.

The wakes are not caused by knee and wake boarding but by the boats they use

Concerned that issue/resolution is not being considered/studied on a non partisan basis by board. Board responsible to all PML owners, not personal preference, need committee to review.

All activities including swimming, canoeing, snorkeling, fishing are compatible. Waterskiing and wakeboarding have a significant negative impact on ALL of these other activities in a lake as small as PML. Allowing these high speed activities spoil it for EVERYBODY else.

Association Member Comments

The skiing and wakeboarding are destroying docks and waterfront bulkheads. The lake is too small to allow large fast boats on it. Don Pedro is close by and readily available for those activities

I think the people who have beach property and docks should do all the voting. We have all the problems that no one helps fix!

Large waves cause problems for my dock and boat tied to the dock.

High speed wake boats are destroying my shore line and dock.

I believe that allowing wake boarding on PML was a mistake a few years ago.

We like the hours the way they were

Association Member Comments

Any wake, especially large wakes are bad for sailors and party boats. For us it was much better when we had a 4-6 hour block of smooth water on one or 2 nights and late afternoons. Even when it was Weds only it was better than it is now.

We should be able to make runs in the ski pattern when the slots are not filled

I would be willing to discuss this issue with the club or the Board of PML

Change does not improve situation, most times leaving things as is is the best solution. This problem has been going on for 30 years.

Only change would recommend is no fast boats after 7PM and No Wakeboarding

suggest waterski hours 9-12 only Sat & Sun, 9-12, 4-6 M-F

Association Member Comments

We bought at PML based on the fact that skiing is allowed on the lake, if skiing is eliminated, I will sell

9-12 & 5-8 are good hours for skiing and wakeboarding

After 2 seasons it is my choice not to renew my boating privileges. The bureaucratic BS is more than I can tolerate.

Having lived in PML I do not believe skiing and wake boarding should be combined, Skiing has always been allowed, wakeboarding is for a larger area

I understand the big wake issue, a tough problem. I do feel that the only solution may be to ban wake boats. Wake boarders can still enjoy the ride at a quicker pace

Association Member Comments

Have boat patrol use a little common sense, stopping boats for going a mile or 2 over the lake limit - it is impossible to judge that speed so lighten up!

The new eliminations of hours will drive away families and will negatively impact the community as a whole. People with second homes and disposable income are a vital part of PML and essential to property values. The divisiveness and pettiness of some stakeholders will destroy our community and turn PML into a second rate destination.

Thank you for your efforts to resolve the issues of a comparatively small lake.

I don't think you can limit this type of watercraft for people that bought property with this in mind, you can phase it out.

The lake is just too small for skiing and wakeboarding. Don Pedro is 15 minutes away. We used it for 25 years and it was great.

Association Member Comments

Class action suit against Bd Dir for malfeasance in lowering property values should be a priority.

If you are going to prohibit wakeboarding, you should prohibit all fast boating.

Noise of boats is another factor to be considered as well as pollution. We have also heard that the wake erodes the shoreline and this factor should be considered.

I believe the 5-6 hour could be eliminated. But I'm not a skier so what do I know. I believe the use of the lake should be there for all members of the community to have equal access even though skiing has to be regulated.

We ought to eliminate all gas powered boats, go all electric in a few years.

Association Member Comments

I don't have strong feelings about the time split but I just would like it to be clear and consistent - It seems to change frequently

I fail to see why a dinner cruise can't be taken while ski is in progress

Fast boats are also very noisy

I don't need any more hard data than my broken equipment caused by excessively large wakes

Fast boating is limited to the short few months in summer. Slow boating can be done throughout the year with no restrictions, time slots or monitoring. Why do they need more.

It seems as tho most younger people prefer kneeboards & wakeboards. Kind of like my kids prefer snowboarding while prefer skis

Association Member Comments

Though we are not currently Wake boarders it is because our children are too young to participate in this activity. When we bought our house a few years ago it was our intention to participate in this sport in the years to come. I would like the option when my kids are old enough to participate. If the association continues to take away fun water sports this will impact home sales and the ability to attract young families.

The lake is too small for wakeboarding and kneeboarding as a result of the wakes that are generated by the boats that tow them.

Thank you for your help in addressing the concerns of the property owners that purchased homes at PML to actually use the lake!

Watersports are the main reason we bought our house at PML. I don't see how a few hours a day, during the summer only, is creating such a big problem with wakes. We own a 16ft trihull and there is no difference in the wake when we ski or wakeboard.

Association Member Comments

Erosion of shoreline and noise pollution are great concerns for property owners. Wakes bounce docks, I was thrown off dock by a large wake.

When I purchased my house over two years ago having the lake with all the activities was one of the main points . I have three young daughters that like the calm surroundings and make them comfortable to learn wake boarding when on the lake. On big weekends this is the only lake that we can go onto because of the major traffic on other lakes.