To whom it may concern,

My name is Kurt Westra. I own a cabin at 3763 Pirate Point Rd Helena Montana. It is located along the shoreline of Magpie Bay. I want to express my concerns on the no wake zone proposal on Canyon Ferry Lake. My wife and I have seven kids and love Canyon Ferry Lake. We fish, boat, tube, wakeboard, water ski, swim, and Kayak on the lake. In Magpie Bay there are many Adults and kids who enjoy paddle boarding, fishing, kayaking, and use paddle boats. Many of these activities are very dangerous because of the lack of respect of some boaters and the amount of boat traffic. We are very concerned about the safety in Magpie bay with the very high amount of boat traffic, large wakes, and at high speeds. There are times where rules should be made to keep people safe. I believe that Magpie Bay should be a no wake bay, or at a minimum there should be a 200-300 foot no wake zone enforced from all docks and shorelines in the entire bay.

This past summer my 8 year old son was nearly hit by a boat. He was swimming about 15 feet off the end of our dock and a boat went flying by within 20 feet of the end of our dock. At this time all my kids where on the dock and it was very obvious the kids were swimming. Thankfully our son saw the boat coming and swam toward the dock. We consistently have boats going by at a high rate of speed within 30 -40 feet or our dock while our kids are swimming and on the dock. In Magpie bay there are always people out enjoying the lake along the shoreline. I see as almost as many people swimming, and enjoying the lake along the sides of the bay as by the boat ramp and campground. Almost every day on the weekend we have wake surfing boats going around and around in the bay for 8+ hours making 3-4 foot tall waves that come crashing into the docks and shoreline. These waves are causing a high amount of shoreline erosion. The surfing boats will come within 60 feet of the docks causing huge waves all along the docks and shoreline. The waves will be so high that standing or laying on the docks is almost impossible as the waves are crashing in. The high wakes are causing damage to the shoreline, the docks, and boats that are docked. Also the large amounts of large wakes in the bay cause navigating the bay by boat dangerous between all the boat traffic.

Last summer my family spent at least 20 days on the lake. I am sure that Magpie bay is only second in boat traffic to the bay going to Kim's Marina. It almost always has more boat traffic in it that Court Sheriff, Chinaman's bay, and Hellgate bay. It has way more traffic in it that Kayley bay. We actually go to Kayley Bay and pull onto the shoreline so the kids can swim where it is safe. It only seems like common sense to create/enforce more restrictions to Magpie bay.

I believe someone is going to get hurt or killed if something is not done to slow down the boat traffic and wakes in the bay. I am asking that you please put on a no wake zone for all of Magpie bay or for a 300 no wake restriction from the shoreline and <u>all boat docks</u> in the bay and to please enforce it.

Thank you,

Kurt Westra

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: lsiroky@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 7:41 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

I would like a no wake buoy in our bay of lots 39 to 52 on the east side of canyon ferry.

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would like a 200 ft no wake zone around private docks as well in the interest of safety.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: Colleenmora3612@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 6:14 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Being longtime residents of Canyon Ferry since 1982, and living in Maggpie Bay, we definately see a huge need for the 300' rule to be implemented. Please take this request under advisement.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: joecardenas92@hotmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 3:41 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

I respectfully request that the same no wake rules that apply to western Montana waters be implemented in Canyon Ferry Reservoir. In other words, no wake within 200 feet of all docks. This would greatly enhance safety and reduce the potential boat-boat collision risk as well as the risk to swimmers. Joe Cardenas

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: lakelivin@mt.net
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 2:32 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Magpie Bay definitely needs a no wake zone - more so than any other areas you are addressing.
Summer weekends in Magpie Bay are just an accident waiting to happen. At times, there are dozens of boats trying to recreate in the same small area. Some are tubing, skiing, surfing, etc. Additionally, some are trying to fish, others doing some kayaking. Mix in 4 or 5 jet skis traveling at 50 mph and you have a perfect recipe for a disaster. There are cabins on both sides of this bay - so there are kids on inner tubes or jumping off of docks and swimming in the same area. Something needs to be done or we will be experiencing another lake tragedy. There's a large body of water for all of these folks to recreate and create tidal wave, etc.
Please acknowledge receipt of this email.
Thanks,
Dennis Doherty

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: kgaskin@k2ent.net
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 10:36 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Why not make keep it simple and use the Western Lake No Wake definition 200' from shoreline?
Or if more restriction is needed for congestion make it 300' from all shoreline?

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: joe@pssmt.com
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 9:20 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

On the north end of Canyon Ferry Lake there are home sites with docks on the developed bays. All of that area should be included in the no wake zone restriction. With the lake being kept full plus increased activity, the boating needs to be moved to the south. There are homes on less than 5% of the lake shore. That leaves lots of room for boating towards the middle of the lake, or to the South. There needs to be better visible law enforcement of boating on the North end of the lake on the weekends from noon on Saturday until 4:00pm on Sunday.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: kgaskin@k2ent.net
Sent: Tuesday, November 13, 2018 8:49 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Why create another rule. Currently MTFWP states:
Lakes greater than 35 acres
All watercraft operating on public lakes and reservoirs greater than 35 surface acres within the western fishing district are limited to no-wake speed from the shoreline to 200 feet from the shoreline.

...use the rules you have

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: fishingicon@yahoo.com
Sent: Wednesday, November 14, 2018 4:46 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

We have a cabin on Canyon Ferry Lake West Shore with a dock. It is not uncommon to have individuals, including small children, on the dock and in the water around it.
I strongly feel a no wake zone around all docks would help increase safety for all individuals both on the dock and in the water.
In addition, unnecessary wakes caused by boats speeding past our dock creates wear and tear on the dock as well as our boat when it is in the slip.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: duane_mcc@msn.com
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 7:51 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Canyon Ferry has become a busy boating recreation area. Also, one of the busy recreation uses in jet skies. I believe motorized water craft should be limited to no more than 200 ft from shore line to a no wake speed for safety purposes. Many fisherman in trolling or slow moving boats are closer than 200 feet from shore, also all boat ramps and docks are used for recreation and boating, especially jet skies can be a danger to those people and moored water craft. I believe a 200 ft no wake speed should be established as a law all around the shore line of Canyon Ferry reservoir.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: scottplace@bresnan.net
Sent: Thursday, November 15, 2018 11:52 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

As a long time Canyon Ferry resident living right next to the water, I support No Wake Zones in the area of private docks. The new "Wake Boats" that are so popular are a lot of fun but it is obvious in many areas that they are playing havoc with areas of shoreline and private docks. Banks are being weakened and ate away by the extra waves produced by the new boats (and others) and it seems the time is now to do our best to minimize the weakening of shoreline (and loss of private property) while creating safety barriers for docks and recreational swimmers.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: wockda@gmail.com
Sent: Sunday, November 18, 2018 8:16 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

As an owner of property on Canyon Ferry, I am am for an amendment that would change the rules to increase the distance to 300 feet. I am very concerned with the safety of my children and grandchildren while they are on or near my dock. I have observed boats that create wakes for "surfing" and those wakes have tossed our boat and dock and damaged our boat. Please contact me if you have any questions.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: canyonferry@aol.com
Sent: Friday, November 23, 2018 6:18 PM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

Do not enforce the 200 foot no wake zone for private docks. It will promote exclusivity for the 265 cabin owners that have docks on the north end of the lake and will not allow boats to go into certain bays that contain those docks. Some bays on the west shoren already have ropes across the bay to prohibit boats from entering.

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Kilbreath, Phillip

From: kurtandevan@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, December 5, 2018 8:19 AM
To: Kilbreath, Phillip
Subject: Public Comment: Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments and Adoptions Pertaining to Canyon Ferry Reservoir No Wake Zones

My name is Evan Westra. My husband and I own a home at 3763 Pirate Point Rd.
This past summer our 8 year old son was almost hit by a surf boat 8 feet off our dock. In fact, our 7 children are unable to safely swim off our dock most weekends in the summer due to speeding boat traffic in Magpie Bay in general. It is a zoo and quite frankly highly unsafe. Take 100?s of boats through a weekend, add copious amounts of alcohol, egos, the ability to make a wake, speed...you get the point. Several of us home owners are just waiting for someone to be killed. My son almost was. This is not in any way an exaggeration. Kayakers, paddle boarders in the dozens in this bay. The wakes make this activity very unsafe.
We have to time when walking on our dock with the waves coming in from all the wakes otherwise we will fall off. I?m young and steady on my feet, my 84 year old neighbor... Well, I?m sure you can imagine how precarious his journey is from shore to dock to his boat. The wakes in magpie bay are not only a safety issue. The damage caused to the shoreline is quite troubling. The damage to boats slamming into docks is troubling. This is a major issue that needs to be addressed and enforced not only for the sanity of homeowners, but more importantly for the safety of all who come to enjoy this beautiful area. Please put in place a no wake zone for all of Mag Pie Bay! Please enforce it! My son was lucky this past summer, he scrambled quick, maybe someone else won?t be so lucky next time.
I ask you to put yourself in our shoes. Would you feel safe, would your kids? Would you too be frustrated with the current regulations and lack of enforcement?
Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Written Comment

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A- GOOD START

KAYLEE BAY NEEDS TO BE A FULL NO WAKE BAY-

A LITTLE EFFORT DOESN'T HELP THE OTHER 17 CABIN SITE DOCKS AT ALL.