

CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 2021- 04

**RESOLUTION DECLARING ZEBRA MUSSELS A NUISANCE AND ESTABLISHING
CLEANING REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN WATERCRAFT AND EQUIPMENT
PRIOR TO LAUNCHING ON CORDRY AND SWEETWATER LAKES**

WHEREAS, the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District (“CSCD”) is an Indiana Conservancy District organized and operating pursuant to I.C.14-33; and,

WHEREAS, the affairs of CSCD are managed by a Board of Directors authorized to exercise general supervision of and make regulations for the administration of the affairs of CSCD; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of CSCD has determined that zebra mussels pose an immediate and significant threat to the ecology of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of CSCD has determined that, in order to protect Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes from significant damage which would be caused to the lakes if zebra mussels were introduced into the lakes, it is necessary to adopt rules and regulations applicable to certain watercraft and equipment which could introduce zebra mussels into Cordry or Sweetwater Lake.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District that:

1. Zebra mussels are hereby declared a nuisance and a significant threat to the ecology of Cordry and Sweetwater Lakes.
2. All barges, boats, dredges and trailers required to obtain a barge permit and all communal trailers that move boats to and from multiple bodies of water, and any other equipment which could potentially introduce zebra mussels into Cordry or Sweetwater Lake, must be decontaminated or quarantined prior to launch or use on Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. Decontamination or quarantine shall occur every time the barge, boat, dredge, trailer or other equipment leaves the boundaries of the Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District, and prior to launch or re-launch upon Cordry or Sweetwater Lake.
3. Decontamination shall occur utilizing one (1) of the following options:
 - (A) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall be pressure washed with water at a minimum of 140°Fahrenheit (F), no chemicals needed. This will occur at a location determined by CSCD Staff and monitored by CSCD Staff.
 - (B) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall remain in quarantine for five (5) days prior to launch. Boats, trailers and equipment may be wiped dry by a towel, but all components of the boats and trailers must be completely dry before launching, including hulls, bilges, live wells, carpet on trailers, etc. If this option

is selected, the five (5) day quarantine shall occur at a location to be determined by CSCD Staff.

(C) Boats, trailers and associated equipment shall be cleaned using a ten percent (10%) bleach solution with a contact time of five (5) minutes. Boats, trailers and equipment must be washed and cleaned before the solution is applied. The less corrosive chemical, Virkon Aquatic, may be used at a two percent (2%) solution with a ten (10) minute contact time. Any solutions must be washed off of boats, trailers and associated equipment after expiration of the minimum contact time. Cleaning shall occur at a location determined by CSCD Staff and monitored by CSCD Staff.

- 4. The fee per decontamination is set at \$25 payable to the CSCD.
- 5. All boats, trailers and equipment to which this rule applies must be cleaned and free of debris, mud or scum, prior to arriving at the decontamination/quarantine site.
- 6. Operators to whom this rule applies should contact the CSCD Office to schedule the decontamination/quarantine.
- 7. A violation of this rule shall result in immediate loss of lake privileges granted to the owner of the boat, trailer or equipment and to the boat, trailer or equipment.
- 8. Operators utilizing boats, trailers or equipment on the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake in violation of this rule shall be deemed trespassers upon the waters of Cordry or Sweetwater Lake. The CSCD Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to enforce these rules, to declare violators to be trespassers and to take all actions necessary, including referral to local law enforcement, in order to secure compliance with these rules.
- 9. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

Adopted this 20th day of April, 2021.

CORDRY-SWEETWATER CONSERVANCY
DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
_____ Herb Benshoof, Chairman	—	—
_____ Josh Edwards, Vice Chairman	—	—
_____ Jay Nogan, Secretary	—	—

Patrick Sherman, Member

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