



**MISSISSIPPI
DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS**

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***In Re:* Temporary Suspension of all Recreational Boating Activity; Wolf Lake, Yazoo
County, Mississippi**

EXECUTIVE ORDER

PURSUANT to the authority set forth in MISSISSIPPI CODE ANNOTATED §59-21-111 *et. seq.*, the Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, with the approval of the Commission, hereby orders the suspension of all recreational boating activity on the lake or lakes listed below, due to the emergency flooding situation that currently exists along the Mississippi River. Information from the Corps of Engineers shows that an exigent condition of high water exists. This suspension of privileges applies **ONLY** to recreational boating and not to any boating activity that must be employed for the safe transportation of persons to and from a home or dwelling or other legitimate purpose. Any boating activity during the suspension period shall be conducted in a reasonable manner, minimizing any wake created (also known as “dead slow”), or otherwise conducted to minimize any negative effects on surrounding property. The lake or lakes set forth below shall remain closed to recreational boating only, until further notice:

LAKE: Wolf Lake, Yazoo County, Mississippi

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this order shall extend to boating activities for all tributaries and related bodies of water along the Mississippi River, currently experiencing rising backwaters, as a result of the rising Mississippi River. In order to protect and ensure the health, safety and welfare of the general public, and protection of private property, any boating shall be conducted according to a “Dead Slow; Leave No Wake,” standard, until further notice. Failure to comply with this order may subject an individual to criminal liability.

SO ORDERED, this the 24th day of March, 2021.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S. Polles", written over a horizontal line.

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