



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Joint resolution approving an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) between the Village of Wauconda, Lake County, and the County of Lake, regarding regulatory authority over watercraft use of the surface waters of the unincorporated portion of Bangs Lake for a period of five years.

- Bangs Lake is a recreational body of contiguous water consisting of approximately 300 acres 80 percent of which is in the jurisdictional limits of the Village of Wauconda and approximately 20 percent of which is within the unincorporated territory and jurisdiction of the County.
- The Village of Wauconda has a comprehensive body of watercraft use regulations contained in Chapter 92 of its Village Code and the Village maintains a regular police marine patrol presence upon Bangs Lake consisting of sworn members of the Wauconda Police Department providing police service, protection, and regulatory enforcement on the watercraft users upon its jurisdictional waters of Bangs Lake.
- The Village, through its Marine Patrol Unit, is desirous of conducting seasonally appropriate routine patrol over the entire surface area of Bangs Lake for the purposes of enforcing Village ordinances and Village regulations, promoting boater safety, and preventing law or safety violations, including responses to serious emergency circumstances arising from conduct or situations on or under the waters.
- The Village shall bear all costs associated with the exercise of its authority under this Agreement. The County shall have no obligation to bear or financially contribute to the costs of the Village in exercising the authority granted by this Agreement. All revenue generated by the Village through boat safety inspection permits, lake use permits and fines and penalties for violation of Village ordinances and regulations shall be the exclusive revenues of the Village.
- The Lake County State's Attorney's Office has reviewed this IGA.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Bangs Lake is a recreational body of contiguous water consisting of approximately 300 acres 80 percent of which is in the jurisdictional limits of the Village of Wauconda and approximately 20 percent of which is within the unincorporated territory and jurisdiction of the County; and

WHEREAS,. The Village of Wauconda has a comprehensive body of watercraft use regulations contained in Chapter 92 of its Village Code and the Village maintains a regular police marine patrol presence upon Bangs Lake consisting of sworn members of the Wauconda Police Department providing police service, protection, and regulatory enforcement on the watercraft users upon its jurisdictional waters of Bangs Lake; and

WHEREAS, The Village, through its Marine Patrol Unit, is desirous of conducting seasonally

appropriate routine patrol over the entirety surface area of Bangs Lake for the purposes of enforcing Village ordinances and Village regulations, promoting boater safety, and preventing law or safety violations, including responses to serious emergency circumstances arising from conduct or situations on or under the waters; and

WHEREAS, The Village shall bear all costs associated with the exercise of its authority under this Agreement. The County shall have no obligation to bear or financially contribute to the costs of the Village in exercising the authority granted by this Agreement. All revenue generated by the Village through boat safety inspection permits, lake use permits and fines and penalties for violation of Village ordinances and regulations shall be the exclusive revenues of the Village; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that the County of Lake enters into this intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Wauconda granting the Village regulatory authority over watercraft use of the surface waters of the unincorporated portion of Bangs Lake for a period of 5 years.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on July 12, 2022.