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## **MEDIA RELEASE** **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Date:** 20 August 2021

**Incident:** High water advisory – No Wake Zones within 500 feet of shore

**Location:** Cayuga County Lakes and Waterways

**Release Prepared by:** Sheriff Brian Schenck

Due to the significant rainfall and flooding, all local lakes and area water ways remain at an exceptionally high level and it appears that they will for some time. Cayuga County Sheriff Brian Schenck is advising that a “no wake zone” be observed within 500 feet of shore when boating.

Boaters should also be aware of floating debris in the water as well as docks near shore that may now be below the surface.

Anyone boating on our lakes and waterways should respect a no wake zone within 500 feet of shore due to the potential for shore damage.

“It is my hope that we all can continue to enjoy what is left of our summer boating season in Cayuga County; however, in the coming days and possibly weeks, those on our lakes and waterways must remain aware of the potential for shore damage due to high water and waves, as well as hazards consisting of floating debris that may not be visible from the surface.” Sheriff Brian Schenck

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