

generated by the operation of pleasure craft on the waters of the State [not later than January 1, 1976]. [Such] THE SOUND LEVEL limits shall be established at the most restrictive level consistent with the environmental noise standards adopted by the Department of the Environment which is achievable through the application of the best available technology and at a reasonable cost. The Department shall [promulgate] ADOPT regulations for the administration and enforcement of [such] THE SOUND LEVEL limits, taking into account accepted scientific and professional methods for measurement of sound levels.

(g) The Department shall adopt [rules and] regulations to prohibit a person from:

- (1) Operating an unauthorized vessel over a power boat race course; or
- (2) Swimming across a boundary of a power boat race course.

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(b) A governing body:

- (1) [shall] SHALL act as the district council for the district; and
- (2) [may] MAY carry out the duties vested by law or which are reasonably necessary.

(c) A governing body shall refer every proposed district to the section of waterways improvement of the Department for a report and evaluation of benefits to be achieved by creating the proposed district. The Department shall review the proposed district and submit a report to the governing body containing recommendations on feasibility and need for the proposed district. The report shall include the area within the district, the work or project to be carried out within the district pursuant to § 8-707 OF THIS SUBTITLE, and the estimated cost for the work or project recommended.

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The Department shall carry out the administrative duties concerning the waterways improvement districts. In addition [it], THE DEPARTMENT shall:

- (1) Review proposals and petitions to establish waterways improvement districts and report to the governing body on each proposed district as provided in § 8-705 OF THIS SUBTITLE;
- (2) Provide engineering design for waterways projects[,] and supervise[,] or provide supervision for these projects;
- (3) Clear debris, aquatic vegetation, and obstruction from waters of the State;
- (4) Provide liaison with the United States Army Corps of Engineers on projects under § 107 of the Rivers and Harbors Act;