



April 20, 2026

Dear City Council,

RE: 2026.EX30.2: Toronto Personal Watercraft Safety Plan

On behalf of **Hanlan's MWEZ Community Watch**, I am writing as a follow-up to the Executive Committee meeting to provide additional comments for the upcoming City Council meeting. These comments are intended to supplement those previously submitted to the Executive Committee.

1. Number of Navigation Buoys

In 2025, we believe that approximately 8-9 navigation buoys were installed at Hanlan's; however, this number proved insufficient. Our observations indicated that the wide spacing and lack of clearly defined boundary markers contributed to both accidental and deliberate intrusions into the Motorized Watercraft Exclusion Zone (MWEZ).

Additionally, the shoreline at Hanlan's is non-linear (as seen in the aerial below), further complicating the effective demarcation of the zone. As a result, additional navigation buoys are necessary to ensure the MWEZ is clearly and consistently defined.



We strongly recommend that City Council direct the Toronto Port Authority to install at least 10 large "airport-sized" navigation buoys to clearly and effectively demarcate the MWEZ at Hanlan's.

2. Cost of Navigation Buoys

The responsibility for funding these critical safety measures must not fall on the City.

We demand that Toronto Port Authority be responsible for covering the full costs of these large "airport-sized" navigation buoys.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

The countdown to beach season is on. See you there!

Cheers,
Roland Brunner

Hanlan's MWEZ Community Watch

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