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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**Slow-No-Wake Declared on Rock River for Pops on the Rock July 4th Celebration**

**For Immediate Release**

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Following discussions with officials from the City of Beloit, Sheriff Fell is declaring a slow-no-wake speed restriction on the Rock River from Preservation Park south to the Stateline on Tuesday, July 4th, 2023, from 5:00 p.m. to midnight. This area of the Rock River becomes very chaotic and dangerous due to the large number of boats on the Rock River for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks celebration. The slow-no-wake speed restriction will help ensure that all boaters are traveling at a safe speed before and after the event.

Rock County Sheriff's Office and Department of Natural Resources Boat Patrol units will be on the water on July 4th, and will enforce safety violations, including the slow-no-wake ordinance. Safety is Sheriff Fell's primary concern during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration; he encourages all boaters to boat safely throughout the festivities.

The Sheriff's Office is providing public notice of the Rock River's slow-no-wake status during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration. Deputies will place slow-no-wake signs along the river at all public access points between Preservation Park and the Stateline on the morning of July 4th.

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