



BLUEWATER

BLUEWATER COMMUNITY · VALLEY, NEBRASKA

COMMUNITY COMPACT
COMPANION

The Neighbor Standard

Two hundred seventy acres, and every dock has a front-row seat. On a lake this visible, everyone sees everything: the perfect first pull, the too-close pass, the boat that maybe, possibly, might have been speeding. **What we do with what we see is the difference between a community and a comment section.**

NEIGHBOR FIRST.

Most lake friction ends with a conversation, not a citation. The wake that rocked your dock was probably somebody's kid's first set. Walk over. Wave them in. Say hi before you say anything else. Assume good intent — around here, you'll be right far more often than not.

PATTERN SECOND.

The board acts on patterns, not moments. One speeding moment or close surf run isn't a case; the same boat each time might be. If something keeps happening, note it — dates, times, specifics — and let it either accumulate into something real or evaporate into the one-off it probably was.

BOARD THIRD.

Genuine safety issues and genuine patterns belong with the board — through the contact form at bluewaterne.com/contact-us or the MyLakeAccess app, with specifics. Every report gets the same treatment: heard, weighed against the whole lake, and answered. That's a commitment. What we can't act on is "somebody should do something about that boat."

SOCIAL MEDIA NEVER.

No dock dispute in history has been resolved by a Facebook thread. Screenshots aren't stewardship. If it matters, bring it to a person. If it doesn't rise to that, let the lake have it — that's what compromise on a shared lake looks like.

AND IF YOU'RE THE ONE MAKING THE WAKE —

Ride like the whole shoreline is watching, because it is. Know where the swimmers are. Give the anglers their morning. The dock you buzz belongs to a neighbor who votes on next year's rules. The surest way to keep this a full-throttle lake is to run it like people live here — because they do.

Nobody gets everything they want on a shared lake. Everybody gets a lake worth sharing. That's the trade, and it's a good one.
