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## **TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

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Under IC 4-22-2-23, the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

**OVERVIEW:** Amends 312 IAC 11 that governs construction activities along and within public freshwater lakes. Amendments are made to the regulation and treatment of a seawall. These include standards that distinguish a seawall placed in a manmade channel from one placed on a natural shoreline. Allows a bulkhead seawall to be permitted along the upland sides of a manmade channel; defines “natural shoreline”; and amends the definitions for “area of special concern” and “significant wetland”. Also provides discretion to grant a license for a seawall or other structure, which might not otherwise satisfy the rule, where public access is enhanced or where a written assessment by a qualified professional demonstrates a particular methodology is needed to control erosion or to stabilize the shoreline and that the methodology would not violate IC 14-26-2. Questions or comments may be directed to [slucas@nrc.in.gov](mailto:slucas@nrc.in.gov) or by telephone at 317-233-3322. Statutory authority: IC 14-10-2-4; IC 14-26-2.