



Department of
Transport and Main Roads

PROPOSED NEW 6-KNOT ZONE - NOOSA RIVER

In response to safety concerns raised by user groups and the broader community, Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) is proposing to gazette a 6-knot speed limit on the lower reach of the Noosa River from Thomas Street to the Noosa River mouth. This is a distance of approximately 1.8 nautical miles (3.3 km) and will apply to all vessels. The proposed 6-knot speed limit area can be found on a map on the last page of this document.

The lower reach of the Noosa River is currently subject to a gazetted 20 knot speed limit. During the Christmas and Easter holiday periods a seasonal 6 knot speed limit applies. The Noosa River seasonal 6 knot speed limit applies to an area between the port lateral mark adjacent to the intersection of Weyba Road and Gympie Terrace, and the river mouth.

The proposal would permanently apply the current seasonal 6 knot speed limit and extend the area approximately 600m upstream.

MSQ would like to receive input from you or your organisation and request the following questions are answered from you or your organisations point of view.

If you or your organisation are interested in providing feedback to MSQ, please answer the following questions and return by email within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

1. Do you agree with the proposed 6 knot zone being gazetted on the Noosa River (see the map at the bottom of the page);
2. If not, please advise your reason(s) why
3. If not, please advise an alternate option that may be considered;
4. If yes, please advise your reason(s) why;
5. In the interests of safety of persons and vessels on the Noosa River, do you think that this proposal is the most appropriate;
6. If not, please state your reason(s);
7. Please advise any other considerations you think may be appropriate.

At the end of the 30-day consultation period, the responses will be evaluated to determine if the speed limits changes will be implemented at this time. Please send your replies to the following e/mail address:

MSQNoosa@tmr.qld.gov.au

Should you wish to mail in your response, please mail to the following address:

Maritime Safety Queensland
PO Box 1094
Mooloolaba QLD 4557

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback in relation to this proposal.

Regards,

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