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#MindTheZone on Lake Union this summer

If you've been out on Lake Union on a beautiful summer's day, you know what a recreational gem it is and just how busy it can be. Usage of Lake Union has increased dramatically over the last five years. In an effort to manage seaplane, boat, and paddle craft traffic during the busy summer months, the City of Seattle annually installs five (5) seaplane advisory buoys that are in place from Memorial Day through Labor Day. These buoys run in a line north-south on the lake, and when the yellow lights are flashing, a seaplane is about to take off or land. Lake users are asked to be aware when they are close to the buoy line, and if they start to flash, move 200 feet east or west of the buoy – it's the nice thing to do!

The Recreational Boating Association of Washington (RBAW), a volunteer organization run by boaters for boaters, is leading this effort to raise awareness among all lake users -- power, sail, or paddle -- of the seaplane advisory buoys. RBAW has been working on behalf of Washington State boaters since 1956; they saved Sucia Island from developers, donated it to the State for a Marine Park, and are doing the same with the historic Lakebay Marina in South Sound! Please join today for \$20 a year to amplify the voice of the recreational boater. It's the best value in boating! rbaw.org

Have a great summer, be safe, and please help us spread the word!

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