

Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on an emergency rule to revise chs. NR 20 and 23, relating to modifications in walleye harvest management in Ceded Territory waters, at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: Monday, March 7, 2016

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: Department of Natural Resources State Office Building, 101 S. Webster Street, Madison, WI 53707 Room 313

Accessibility

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including the provision of information material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Please call Joe Hennessy, 608-267-9427, with specific information on your request at least five days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before March 7, 2016. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, or email and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. Written comments and any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:

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The rules may also be reviewed and comments made at:

<https://health.wisconsin.gov/admrules/public/Home>

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis:

The rule change would have minimal impact on sport anglers. Similar regulations, including the 3-walleye daily bag limit, are already in place through a related emergency rule. Changes in angling regulations enacted to accommodate declared, expected, or realized tribal harvest could potentially alleviate or minimize regional social and economic disruption sometimes associated with reductions in walleye bag limits on off-reservation waters within the Ceded Territory. Exact economic impact of the rule is unknown, but more predictable, stable angling regulations may have a positive indirect impact on fishing-related businesses.

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