

Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on a permanent rule FH-16-18 to revise ch. NR 20 – 23 and 25, relating to taking catfish and rough fish by hand or with a bow and arrow or crossbow, at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: March 20

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: Coughlin Center, 625 E County Rd Y, Oshkosh, WI 54901

Date: March 19

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: State Office Building Room B-19 and B-20, 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse, WI 54601

Date: March 27

Time: 5 p.m.

Location: Fitchburg DNR Service Center, 3911 Fish Hatchery Road, Fitchburg, WI 53711

Accessibility

1. Hearing impaired persons may request an interpreter for this hearing. Please make reservations for a hearing interpreter at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing, by writing to e-mail.
2. Alternatively, you may contact the Department of Natural Resources TDD at (608) 267-6897. The hearing facility is accessible to disabled users.
3. 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 with specific information on your request at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.
4. Handicap access is available at the hearing location.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before March 25, 2019. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, E-mail, or through the internet 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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Or by email at: Meredith.Penthorn@wisconsin.gov

The rule may be viewed at: <https://dnr.wi.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html>

Comments can be made at: DNRAAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis: Impacts on small businesses as a result of this rule will be minimal, as the proposed regulations will continue to allow catfish and rough fish to be harvested through the new methods and will not significantly impact current hook and line fishing. These rules are mainly applicable to individual anglers and impose no compliance or reporting requirements for small business, nor are any design or operational standards contained in the rule.

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