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RESOLUTION

A resolution to lower the bag limit on crappies on all lakes north of Hwy 8.

The Problem:

The overall size of crappies being caught on many northern lakes appears to be dropping. The problem may be overharvest of large crappies. Most crappie fishermen do not at the present practice catch and release as is done in musky and bass fishing. More people fish for crappies in Wisconsin than any other fish except walleye.

At present the bag limit for crappies on most northern lakes is 25.

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Conservation Congress at its April 13th 2009 Spring hearings begin work with the DNR to set new lower uniform bag limits or other management activities on crappies on all Wisconsin lakes north of Hwy 8.

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