

TITLE: Overharvest of crappies on many of Wisconsin's inland lakes

THE PROBLEM: The Department's Bureau Director of Fisheries, Mike Stagg, has indicated that more research is needed to see if there is a problem of overharvest. Crappies are the number two targeted fish during winter fishing season. We don't need further studies, we need immediate action!

Former DNR Bureau Director of Fisheries, Lee Kernan, recently stated that in order to maintain a quality crappie fishery the bag limit needs to be reduced to two or three – at the most.

BE IT RESOLVED: That Oneida Lake in Oneida County will be a leader to stop the continued overharvest of crappies by uncaring fisherman.

That the Wisconsin Conservation Congress, at its county's annual meeting held in Oneida County on April 11, 2011, recommends that the Warm Water Committee of the Congress work with the Department to take action to correct this situation by introducing rule changes that lower the daily bag limit of crappies to five, with a possession limit of ten on Oneida Lake in Oneida County.

I can assure you that many other waters will follow the action taken by Oneida Lake.

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