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spear fishing of panfish.

The problem; presently divers can legally spear panfish in some waters of the state, and between certain dates.

Whereas; it is very easy for divers to spear panfish in this underwater environment.

Whereas; panfish daily limits have been reduced over the past several years in Wisconsin waters to protect panfish species.

Whereas; the taking of the largest panfish by divers should be considered unethical and not in line with a (fair chase) concept.

Whereas; removing the largest of each panfish species by divers can and has had a dramatic effect on some Wisconsin lakes.

Whereas; DNR Department of fisheries own research shows that removing the largest panfish from the environment has a strong tendency to stunt the remaining population.

Therefore be it resolved; that our DNR modify the fishing/spearing regulations to include panfish is a fish that cannot be taken by spearing in all Wisconsin waters.

By a vote taken on April 11, 2011 in Waushare County.

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vote yes-----

vote no -----

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