

The Lake Michigan Commercial Fishing Board will conduct a meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, 2015 in the Peninsula Room at the Door County Government Center, 421 Nebraska St., Sturgeon Bay.

Agenda

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the January 14, 2015 meeting minutes
3. Update – Jessiah Bennett, Natural Resources Graduate Student will provide an update on a volunteer research project comparing Wisconsin commercial quota management system to other systems from around the U.S. and world.
4. Update on Bloater Chub Rule Change – Dave Boyarski (DNR)
5. Update on Zone 3 lake whitefish trawl study – Titus Seilheimer (Wisconsin Sea Grant)
6. Discussion regarding a Commercial Whitefish Proposed Rule Change – At this time the Department does not have a specific rule change proposal. The Department would like the LMCFB input into developing a specific rule change to address the lack of recruitment from the North-Moonlight Bay spawning stock. There are several general potential means to achieve this protection:
 - A. Changes to fall season for lake whitefish in Zone 2 (e.g., season changes, effort restrictions, area restrictions).
 - B. Changes to the overall lake whitefish quota which will include a Department update on the lake whitefish population model as well as other monitoring results.
 - C. Changes to the current zone allocation system for lake whitefish.
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment