Citizen Resolution # 500521
(For Hearing Officer completion)

Proposing a new harvest regulation on pan fish for Lake Helen

At present, Lake Helen is subject to the standard daily bag limit of 25 pan fish per day. With the current bag limits and fishing pressure of this relatively small fishery, a quality panfish fishery remains difficult to maintain. This is especially the case for maintaining the quality abundance and size-structure of bluegill, black crappie, yellow perch, and pumpkinseed sunfish in the lake. I would like to propose changing the current 25 daily bag limit to a 10 daily bag limit (all species in aggregate) for pan fish on Lake Helen.

The purpose of this regulation change is to maintain and improve panfish size structure and population abundance. Our Lake Helen District fish committee is actively pursuing habitat improvements and are currently maintaining high predator abundance in an effort to support the goals associated with the new harvest regulation.

Would you support the proposed regulation change to secure the future of the fishery of Lake Helen?

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