

Citizen Resolution # 070120

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Protection of spawning walleyes in Wisconsin River from the Wausau dam upstream to Kings dam (Bradley township in Lincoln county)

Concern,

It is important to protect spawning walleyes on the Wisconsin River. Throughout the year the area from the Wausau Dam upstream to Kings Dam receives an intense amount of fishing pressure. This pressure only intensifies during the spawning run of walleyes. Such fishing pressure results in degradation of the spawning cycle and depletes numbers of walleye due to concentrations of fish below dams.

Excellent year round and trophy fisheries are the result of protection of spawning walleyes. Under this resolution walleye fishing would continue throughout the year. However, harvested walleye from March 1st to the general opener are to be over 28 inches in length.

Currently other gamefish such as musky within this portion of river are protected during the critical time of spawning. Other areas within the State from which the 28 length limit for walleye was derived incorporate the protection standards of the resolution.

Be it resolved,

To assist in increasing mature walleye and fisherman satisfaction the walleye season on this portion of the Wisconsin River from the Wausau Dam upstream to Kings dam shall incorporate a walleye season that protects spawning walleye.

From March 1st to the General Fishing opener one walleye over 28 inches can be harvested per day. Upon the general fishing opener the current slot limit of 15-20 inches with one being over 28 inches would be in effect.

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Signature: _____

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