

# Citizen Resolution # 560422

(For Hearing Officer completion)



## Creating a catch and release season for sturgeon that mirrors the Minnesota catch and release season

Sturgeon numbers have more than rebounded to a self sustaining population in many of Wisconsin waters. Our neighboring state has a catch and release season that starts in the summer and extends through the winter in most waters. Studies through tagging and reporting tags have proven sturgeon can successfully be captured, tagged and then caught and released multiple times with little to no mortality rate. Extending the catch and release season before and after harvest would not only give anglers more opportunities to fish but also lower the stress on these fish during the one month harvest/C&R season as anglers will not all be forced to take advantage of the small window of time available to catch and release.

### Would you support creating a catch and release season for sturgeon that mirrors the Minnesota catch and release season?

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