

Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on a permanent rule, FH-06-16, to revise Chs. NR 20 and 26, relating to minor changes to fisheries administrative code, at the time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: July 25, 2017

Time: 11:30 a.m.

Location: Room 608 of the Natural Resources State Office Building (GEF-2), 101 South Webster St., Madison, 53707.

Rule Information

The proposed rule addresses minor changes to administrative code relating to the regulation of fishing. The rule is being pursued to ensure the rule language that governs fishing in inland, outlying, and boundary waters is accurate and properly reflects the desired management of Wisconsin waters. The objectives are to; remove sections of code that are outdated or have been replaced by other statute or code changes, correct errors that occurred during the drafting of rules, and add or repeal language to clarify intent of original rules.

Accessibility

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations, including the provision of information material in an alternative format, will be provided for qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. Please call Scott Loomans with specific information on your request at least 10 days before the date of the scheduled hearing.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before July 25, 2017. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, fax, email, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. Any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:

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Comments can be made at: DNRAdministrativeRuleComments@wisconsin.gov

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis:

The proposed rule will not have an effect on small businesses, as defined under s. 227.114 (1). The proposed rule will have minimal impact on sport anglers and is not expected to have an economic impact. As with any change in regulations, there will be a requirement for anglers to learn the new rules. However, a majority of this rule change clarifies code to reflect existing policies for which anglers must already comply. The department works to notify the public of new regulations via press releases, the internet, and fishing regulations pamphlets.

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