

## Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a preliminary public hearing on Statement of Scope SS 004-21 relating to Lake Michigan whitefish management. In accordance with s. 227.136, Wis. Stats., the DNR is seeking public comment and feedback on Statement of Scope SS 004-21 at the time and virtual location shown below.

### Hearing Information

Date: Feb. 8, 2021

Time: 6 p.m.

Virtual Location Link: Online via [Zoom link](#); by phone at 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID 863 0192 3865

**Rule Information:** This is a statement of scope for a proposed emergency rule; no rules have yet been developed. The future emergency rule would address lake whitefish quota allocations in Zone 1 (Green Bay) and associated regulations in Green Bay, including electronic harvest reporting for whitefish and bycatch in Green Bay.

### Accessibility

For the hearing or visually impaired, non-English speakers, or those with other personal circumstances which might make communication at the meeting/hearing difficult, DNR will, to the maximum extent possible and with reasonable advance notice, provide aids including an interpreter, or a non-English, large-print, or recorded version of hearing documents. To access these resources, please contact the email address or phone number listed below as soon as possible.

### Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which is available here

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/news/input/ProposedEmergency.html>. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, please download and complete the fillable [Hearing Appearance form](#) and send it to [Meredith.Penthorn@wisconsin.gov](mailto:Meredith.Penthorn@wisconsin.gov).

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before February 8, 2021. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. **Written comments and any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:**

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The Statement of Scope may be reviewed, and comments made at [https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope\\_statements/comment](https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment).