

# Citizen Resolution # 200623



## Remove the size limit on Northern Pike on Wolf Lake (Fond du Lac County)

Wolf Lake is a 75-acre deep lowland drainage lake in northeastern Fond du Lac County. Deep lowland lakes stratify during the summer months and have a watershed greater than four square miles. Wolf Lake has 2.3 miles of shoreline, a maximum depth of 47 feet.

In 2019, a comprehensive fishery survey was conducted on Wolf Lake using a variety of sampling methods. Survey data from 2019 indicates bluegill relative abundance (fish/mile) was below average when compared to lakes with similar characteristics statewide (complex – warm - dark). Also bluegill relative abundance was lower in 2019 than in 2008.

Currently steps are being taken on Wolf Lake to increase the panfish population by introducing artificial habitat structures like fish cribs and fish sticks, and stocking panfish. Wolf Lake supports a healthy Northern Pike population which feeds heavily on young panfish. The current size limit on Wolf Lake for Northern Pike is 26 inches. Removing the size limit should allow the lake's panfish to recover faster.

## Would you support removing the size limit on Northern Pike on Wolf Lake (Fond du Lac County)?

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