Citizen Resolution # 210222

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Change the Forest County Trolling Regulation to "1 hook, bait or lure per person: 3 lines maximum per boat" as stated in the Wisconsin DNR Fishing Regulations, 2021-2022. aligning Forest County with all of the northern-most counties including Florence, Vi

There are conflicting regulations on surrounding lakes include 2 different counties within the span of each lake. These conflicting regulations cause confusion for individuals fishing those lakes. Ex: Kentuck Lake: covers Vilas County (1 line trolling per angler max 3 per boat) and Forest County (3 lines per angler no maximum per boat.) Sevenmile Lake covers Oneida county (1 trolling line per angler max 3 per boat) and Forest County (3 lines per angler no maximum per boat.) Julia Lake in Oneida County (1 line trolling per angler max 3 per boat) and Forest County (3 lines per angler no maximum per boat.) Current regulations in Forest County do not protect smaller lakes under 200 acres to sustain current walleye and muskie population estimates. (There are 208 named lakes in Forest County "Find A Lake" Wisconsin DNR website. Of those, only 27 are more than 200 acres or roughly 13%. The remainder 181 named lakes in the county are less than 200 acres or 77%.) Furthermore, boats with up to 6 planer boards (there is no maximum) are allowed to troll these lakes, depleting walleye and muskie populations.

Would you support Adding Forest County to the list of counties with the trolling regulation "1 hook, bait or lure per person: 3 lines maximum per boat," would align Forest County with all of the northern-most counties (including Florence, Vilas, Oneida, L

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