

Citizen Resolution # 220123



Change the starting time for Muskrat/Mink Season to 6 AM

Currently, Muskrat/Mink season opens at 12 midnight in each zone. Muskrat trapping is competitive, and many trappers do start setting muskrat traps at midnight on public land. This causes a problem for new trappers and very young trappers learning to trap muskrats that want to start at a later time, to be able to put in good sets and for safety reasons. But when they get to these public muskrat trapping spots, the muskrat area is already set up with traps. A 6 AM starting time would be fair for all muskrat trappers no matter what their experience.

Would you support changing the Muskrat/Mink season opening time to 6 AM for each zone, both private and public land for uniformity and fairness to all trappers.

Additional Information provided by author:

We submitted this resolution in past for public land only, and it passed the WCC advisory questions, but the WDNR committee tabled the question, as Conservation Wardens did not want a separate muskrat starting time for private and public. Suggested to resubmit the resolution.

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