Citizen Resolution # 370922

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Reducing pan fish bag limits on Norrie Lake to 10 fish of each species from the current 25

February 13, 2022 Citizen Resolution Proposing a new harvest regulation on pan fish for Norrie Lake. Currently, Norrie Lake has a standard daily bag limit of 25 pan fish per day. For a small lake, 110 acres, Norrie sees tremendous fishing pressure. The Mountain Bay trail boarders the north end of the lake and allows for public shore fishing. There is a parking lot there for a beach and picnic area which sees a lot of tourism along with people coming out of Wausau which is about 25 miles away. There is a public boat landing on the south end of the lake which the Norrie Sportsman Club maintains a dock at, and it is not uncommon to see 7 to 10 boats on Norrie Lake in the evenings or on the weekends. The lake has been seeing a steady decline in the pan fish over recent years. The lake has blue gill, black crappie, and yellow perch in it. The black crappies once abundant is now rare to catch. Heavy fishing pressure continues as the lake has good access and is close to populated areas. Norrie Sportsman Club would like to propose changing the current 25 daily pan fish bag limits to a 10 daily bag limit. (All species) The purpose to this regulation change is to improve the number of pan fish in the lake. Norrie Sportsman Club has worked to improve fish habitat by putting in fish sticks and fish cribs. If the bag limits would be reduced, the lake should recover on its own. Would you support the proposed regulation change to secure the future of the fishery on Norrie Lake? Norrie Sportsman Club Ray Warpehoski President – Norrie Sportsman Club rwarpehoski@lselectric.com 715 551 3350 cell 222939 Bradley Street Birnamwood, WI 54414

Would the Conservation Congress reduce the pan fish bag limits on Norrie Lake to 10 fish of each species.

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