

Citizen Resolution # 570822

(For Hearing Officer completion)



Wisconsin Northern Pike Ice Spearing

Harvest of Northern Pike by method of hand propelled spear is a long lasting tradition that is still practiced by many of our neighboring states with great success. As seen by Wisconsin's own sturgeon spearing season which draws thousands of anglers from all over to participate in a great winter past-time. The suggested law change would allow for the harvest of Northern Pike within the state of Wisconsin by hand propelled spear through the ice. The law would only allow for another method of harvest and would coincide with current individual waterway size and possession restrictions. Season restrictions should follow the examples set by the Minnesota department of natural resources opening December 1st and going throughout the remaining game fish season. Holes by law would need to be properly marked as is practiced in Wisconsin's sturgeon spearing season. This change to our current Wisconsin fishing laws could provide a boost to local economies by allowing local anglers to participate without having to travel out of state. While promoting a safe and responsible method to enjoy our states natural resources.

Would you support a Wisconsin Northern Pike spearing season from December 1st through the last Sunday in February?

Additional Information provided by author:

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/gofishing/ice-fishing-northern-pike-spearing.html>

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