

2010 SPORTFISH REGULATION PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Submitted by: Region 5

Date: 4/1/2008

PROPOSAL IDENTIFICATION

Title Proposal (*Name of Proposal*): Reduce minimum length limit on Lake George lake trout to Statewide length limit

Proposal ID (*To be assigned by Central Office*):

Project Description (*Provide very brief and succinct description of proposal*): To reduce the minimum length for lake trout caught in Lake George and tributaries to the first barrier impassible by fish to the statewide minimum length of 21 inches.

PRE-REGULATION ASSESSMENT/ANALYSIS

Assessment: (*Provide an analysis of the available data and information that supports the proposal. Include specific measures that were used to determine that a change is needed e.g. creel survey, environmental conditions.*): Lake George angler diary data indicate that the average size of lake trout in Lake George is 21 inches. Approximately 33% of lake trout caught in 2007 were 23 inches or larger, but 60% were 21 inches or larger.

Rationale for Proposal: (*As in the past, state rationale for the proposed regulation change.*): Reducing the size limit would allow greater harvest of lake trout and reduce the predator base in Lake George.

Objective for Proposal: (*State objective of the regulation proposal. General Guidance—Objectives should have the following components: Specific, Time Bound, Outputs/Benefits, Realistic, Measurable.*): To provide better opportunity to harvest lake trout. To reduce the abundance of 21-23 inch lake trout. One benefit may be enhanced survival of stocked landlocked salmon.

Public Feedback Plans: (*Describe plans for obtaining constituents and angler community input on the proposal in the coming year.*): Warren County Conservation Council, Lake George Fishing Alliance, Lake George Angler Diary participants, and Washington County Federation of Fish and Game Clubs, have been recently, or soon will be notified of the proposal and feedback will be obtained.

Regulation Evaluation: (*State how the objectives and stated outcomes of the proposal will be evaluated. Include a time frame for the evaluation.*): Lake George salmonid fisheries are evaluated through fall spawning assessments and through the angler diary program. These efforts will continue on an annual basis.

CENTRAL OFFICE REVIEW

Section:

Proposal ID:

Recommend Approval

Section Head Signature

Date

Recommend Denial

Section Head Signature

Date

Central Office Notification to Regions/Unit of Denial:

Date:

__ Pending (<i>Proposal requires further action and/or discussion.</i>)	
Central Office Notification to Regions/Unit of Pending Information Needed:	Date:

Comments/Remarks for Denials and Pending:

Bureau Chief Sign Off	
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