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## **Modifications From Agency**

August 24, 2017

Representative Joan Ballweg, Co-Chair Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules Room 210 North, State Capitol

Senator Steven Nass, Co-Chair Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules Room 10 South, State Capitol

Subject: Modification to Clearinghouse Rule 16-061

Senator Nass and Representative Ballweg:

In response to a motion of the Joint Committee for Review of Administrative Rules at its July 26, 2017 meeting, the Natural Resources Board adopted the following modifications at its August 9 meeting.

## SECTION 2. NR 25.06 (1) (c) and (Note) are created to read:

**NR 25.06 Quotas and catch fees.** (1) Lake Superior. (c) *Cisco* <u>until January 1, 2021</u>. The total allowable annual harvest of cisco by state fishers during the open season in Wisconsin waters of Lake Superior may not exceed 7.5 percent of the total of the most recent hydroacoustics cisco biomass estimate, expressed in round weight pounds of cisco, as determined by the department and:

**NOTE:** After January 1, 2021, the total allowable annual harvest of cisco by state fishers is not limited by a quota.

SECTION 3. NR 25.07 (1) (b) and (Note) are created to read:

NR 25.07 Individual licensee catch quotas. (1) LAKE SUPERIOR. (b) *Cisco until January* 1, 2021. 1. Each state commercial license shall be allotted an equal individual licensee catch quota of the total allowable annual cisco harvest quota established under s. NR 25.06 (1) (c).

**NOTE:** After January 1, 2021, the total allowable annual harvest of cisco by state fishers is not limited by a quota and individual licensee catch quotas will not be established.

Attached is a copy of Natural Resources Board Order No. FH-13-16 (Clearinghouse Rule No. 16-061) incorporating these modifications.

Under s. 227.19 (5) (b), Stats., the Department of Natural Resources refers this action to your committees for an additional 10 working day review. If the Department does not hear from you within 10 working days of receipt of this letter, the Department will continue processing this rule.

Sincerely,



Cathy Stepp, Secretary