

Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a preliminary public hearing on Statement of Scope SS 016-23 which affects ch. NR 25, and is related to Lake Michigan trawling regulations, at the virtual time and place shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: March 6, 2023

Time: 5 p.m.

Virtual Location Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) (Meeting ID: 237 486 393 654

Passcode: cpUW54) or join by phone at [+1 608-571-2209](#), Phone Conference ID: 433 970 689#

Rule Information:

This scope statement would allow the department and stakeholders to develop a rule that may review and update trawling regulations for whitefish and other species currently allowed to be taken by trawling in Lake Michigan. Because no rule has yet been developed, no specific rule proposals are currently under consideration.

Accessibility

For the hearing or visually impaired, non-English speakers, or those with other personal circumstances which might make communication at the meeting/hearing difficult, DNR will, to the maximum extent possible and with reasonable advance notice, provide aids including an interpreter, or a non-English, large-print, or recorded version of hearing documents. To access these resources, please contact the email address or phone number listed below as soon as possible.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which is available here <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html>. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, please download and complete the fillable [Hearing Appearance form](#) and send it to Meredith.Penthorn@wisconsin.gov.

Comments on the proposed scope statement must be received on or before March 7, 2023. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing.

Written comments and any questions on the proposed scope statement should be submitted to:

Department of Natural Resources

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The scope statement may be viewed at: <https://dnr.wi.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html>

Comments can be made at: DNRAAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

The scope statement may be reviewed, and comments made at:
https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment.