

Department of Natural Resources Annual Spring Fish & Wildlife Public Hearing & Wisconsin Conservation Congress Annual Spring County Conservation Meeting

Monday, April 8, 2013 7:00 PM

Agenda

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Everyone will be given an opportunity to comment on the questions, but you will be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes for each question that you wish to discuss. If comments become repetitive the hearing officer may limit comments to issues not previously presented. No argument or rebuttal will be allowed on DNR questions. Written comments on all DNR proposed rule changes will be accepted until April 8, 2013.

The results of the 2013 Spring Hearings will be available online beginning Wednesday, April 10, 2013.

The results can be found at dnr.wi.gov – search for “Spring Hearings”

QUESTION 96. Change walleye size and bag limit on Spirit Lake and North Spirit Lake, Taylor County

Spirit Lake and North Spirit Lake, Taylor County, have a walleye protected slot size limit. No fish between 14 and 18 inches may be kept. The limit is five fish daily with only one over 18 inches. Because there is no natural reproduction and the population is maintained solely through stocking, many feel this is the wrong regulation. The Spirit Lake Improvement Association would like to see the harvest reduced.

96. Do you support removing the 14 to 18-inch protected slot size limit, with a daily bag limit of five walleye on Spirit and North Spirit Lakes in Taylor County and replacing them with an 18-inch minimum size limit and a daily bag limit of three walleye?