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This bye law is an act of environmental vandalism and should be stopped immediately.

Removing pike from any water will have the opposite effect as there will be less large pike to predate on the smaller jack pike and coarse fish, causing an explosion in smaller pike and coarse fish numbers.

Pike and trout have co existed for 1000s of years before these barbaric culls started without interruption.

This is only going to upset the natural balance of the lough.

The most obvious and clear way to improve salmonid stocks is to impose a bag limit on trout anglers from killing everything they catch. Catch and release. Fishing is a sport not a bloodbath

Culling pike will not enhance trout stocks in anyway

Pike anglers from all over the world no longer flock to Ireland for annual fishing holidays as it is a shadow of what it used to be, this is a massive own goal with the revenue lost for the economy.

This can be rectified before its too late, leave the fish alone, let them thrive and it will return to its full potential

This country was once the pike and trout mecca of Europe.

Gill nets, bye laws and organised culls have the loughs of Ireland in a sad state of affairs

Please end this madness

Regards

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