

Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law No. XXX, 2021

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To whom it concerns.

I am a lifetime Trout angler, plus a member of one of the largest Trout angling clubs in the west of Ireland and I am deeply concerned about the above Draft Bye-Law. The wording of this proposed Bye-Law offers little or no protection to the salmonid species which dominate these waters. It also takes the powers and decision making away from the professional experience of I.F.I. staff.

I hereby object to the proposed Bye-Law for the following reasons

- 1. The listed waters should be managed exclusively for the benefit of salmonid species.**
The word "primarily" (number 4 on the proposed Bye-Law) implies that these waters may also be managed for other fish species.
- 2. Stock Management plans should be of at least 5 year duration (numbers 5 and 6 of the proposed Bye-Law)**
- 3. Point 7 of the proposed Bye-Law should be deleted.**
The effect of this point would be to transfer control to Department civil servants, of a primary development role of Inland Fisheries Ireland.

Yours Sincerely

