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**From:** Slaney River Trust SRT <slaneyrivertrust@gmail.com>  
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Below please see submission in relation to the Wild Salmon and Sea Trout Tagging Scheme Regulations 2021, to provide for the management of the wild salmon and sea trout fishery by Inland Fisheries Ireland from 1st January 2022.

This submission relates to THE RIVER SLANEY and in particular to the opening date for salmon anglers. In the absence of a date published within the draft we have been left with no choice but to make the assumption that opening and closing dates will be in line with 2021.

On Mon, Nov 1, 2021 at 10:49 AM [REDACTED] wrote:

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Dear Minister Ryan I respectfully ask that you consider opening the river Slaney on the 1st of March 2022 as opposed to the 1st of April. I have explained some reasons for the request below in order to help you come to your decision.

- (1) Firstly I am not asking you to change the status of the river as it is already open for catch and release. I am asking you to allow a slightly earlier start.
- (2) Secondly catch and release is highly successful and the colder the water the easier it is to release fish as the oxygen level is higher in cold water.
- (3) Thirdly and of great importance to the preservation of salmon the presence of legitimate anglers on the bank keeps poachers and those who would kill fish off the bank. IFI have a difficult job and extra eyes on the bank are a great help.

Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]