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**From:** Slaney River Trust SRT <slaneyrivertrust@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday 20 November 2021 16:38  
**To:** IFD Public Consultations  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Slaney River Fishery - Request For March Opening

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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 Thu, Oct 21, 2021 at 9:48 AM [REDACTED] wrote:

To whom it may concern,

I live in the UK and every year I travel to Wexford to fish the River Slaney as a UK angler, that being the highlight of my fishing season. I will stay in local B&Bs and spend money wherever I can in the locality of the river.

I strongly believe the river should be open in March when it gets the best run of spring fish and when poaching is arguably at its worst. As a hardened advocate for catch and release, I have absolutely no interest in killing salmon and therefore see no reason why this river should be closed to Anglers such as myself in March.

I do hope you will carefully consider the high number of UK anglers such as myself who, if permitted, will make the journey to Ireland to fish this river in March and the associated positive economic impact.

Best regards,

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