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Subject: Re: River Slaney Opening Date 2022

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On Sun, Oct 24, 2021 at 11:40 AM [REDACTED] > wrote:
Dear Minister Ryan,

My name is [REDACTED] from Maynooth. I have fished the river Slaney on several beats over the past 30 years.

I spend a substantial amount of money on an annual basis fishing catch and release throughout Ireland. I feel the Bylaws should be amended because all the fish caught on the Slaney and other Catch and release systems are returned by the anglers. We have the welfare of the Salmon at heart. Having an angling presence on the river at an earlier time would discourage the poachers who can devastate the remaining stocks.

The catch and release system is accepted to be an excellent and sustainable conservation measure with an extremely low mortality rate for fresh run salmon, improved even further by the cold water in early March. The catch and release system is practiced world wide and is a very successful conservation method.

Regards
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