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From: Slaney River Trust SRT <slaneyrivertrust@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday 20 November 2021 16:09
To: IFD Public Consultations
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: River Slaney Opening Date 2022

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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 Sun, Oct 24, 2021 at 9:10 PM Ciaran Ward <[REDACTED]> wrote:
Minister Ryan,

My name is [REDACTED]. I am an angler for over fifty years. I currently run a project to teach fishing to inner-city teenagers in [REDACTED] in Dublin to help pass on this extraordinary hobby to the next generation.

As a salmon angler on the Slaney, I urge you to allow the river to open on the 1st of March in 2022. I completely support the designation of this river as Catch & Release. This is vital to protect the invaluable stock in the river to ensure that future generations will be able to witness the life cycle of wild Atlantic salmon.

The best support we can offer Inland Fisheries Ireland in protecting the stock from illegal poaching is by the presence of genuine anglers on the river bank. The current opening dates simply ensure that the vital spring run is open to illegal fishing. There is nothing that deters poachers more than the presence of law-abiding anglers. This is true for the River Slaney as it is for all other waters.

Yours Faithfully

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