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**From:** Slaney River Trust SRT <slaneyrivertrust@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday 20 November 2021 15:55  
**To:** IFD Public Consultations  
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**Subject:** Re: River Slaney Opening Date 2023

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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 Fri, Oct 22, 2021 at 2:15 PM [REDACTED] > wrote:

Minister Eamonn Ryan  
Inland Fisheries Division  
Department of the Environment  
Climate and Communications  
Elm House  
Earlestown Vale Road  
Cavan Town  
22/10/2021

Dear Minister Ryan

I am a member of The Slaney River Trust and I feel that the Byelaws should be amended for The River Slaney in 2022 for the following reasons:

1. To enable anglers to protect the River Slaney by changing the opening date to 1st March 2022.
2. This will allow anglers to protect the river during this period when poachers are out in force.
3. Early - run salmon are particularly vulnerable to poaching and must be protected.
4. To strengthen the community of legitimate anglers by permitting them to fish at one of the best times (March) of the year for Spring Salmon.
5. Catch and release is accepted to be an excellent and sustainable conservation measure and an extremely low mortality rate for fresh run Salmon, improved even further by cold water in the system which will be the case in March.

Hopefully this my submission and appeal will be given some thought by you to safeguard the survival of "Salmo", the King of Fish.

Yours Sincerely  
[REDACTED]