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From:

Damian MaloVca <yomodeus@yahoo.com>

Sent:

11 May 2018 05:43

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Regards

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From:

jacek markiewicz <jacek30m@gmail.com>

Sent:

10 May 2018 23:43

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries
Do not kill pike!!!!!! C&R

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From:

Stephen O flanagan <stephenoflanagan15@icloud.com>

Sent: To:

05 May 2018 22:23 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Objection to this outrageous bylaw

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I would like to object to this bylaw by the minister, how can this even be considered, while the pike review is taking place.

This minister doesn't represent the vast majority of anglers . With the exception of some over privileged trout anglers, who walked out of the review group .

So here is my objection

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Regards Stephen O'FLANAGAN

From:

Simon Rosbotham <srosbotham@hotmail.co.uk>

Sent:

17 May 2018 09:19 Inland Fisheries

To: Subject:

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stephen <stephenemmett737@gmail.com>

Sent: To: 08 May 2018 19:46 Inland Fisheries

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From:

qermatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

From:

stephen <skeogh64@hotmail.com>

Sent:

08 May 2018 20:03

To:

Inland Fisheries

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Stephen keogh

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From:

Daniel Heaney <danielmheaney@gmail.com>

Sent: To: 06 May 2018 11:44 Inland Fisheries

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From:

Paul Mcevoy <mcevoy19689@yahoo.ie>

Sent:

08 May 2018 19:17

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

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Paul McEvoy

From:

Sent: 22 May 2018 13:14
To: Inland Fisheries

Subject: Pike conservation and management

Categories: Red Category

Hi,
My name
I was looking for some information. I see minister Sean Kyne is looking for a proposal to be passed. Allowing the killing of 4 pike of any size. Im actually interested in how you are allowing this to be even debated. Your own studies show pike are native. The best part about this is, you try to promote pike fishing in Ireland! How can this happen if you want them wiped out. Pike are tormented enough with gill nets, electro fishing, certain individuals killing them(and not only pike). Losing tourism as well as income from the Irish anglers. Also, as your well aware, trout anglers killing pike and leaving them hanging in full view. Visitors must be so happy to see what is going on. Absolutely disgusting behaviour by trout anglers. They must be so proud. You can be sure if i hung a baby lamb from a fence post,id be prosecuted. Look forward to hearing your response, if I get something more than an automated message. Ger Matthews

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Catriona Brady From:

Sent: 24 May 2018 22:10

To: Inland Fisheries

Cc: Opposition to proposed pike fishing bye-law

Categories: Red Category

Re: Opposition to proposed Pike Fishing Bye-law.

To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose the proposed new bye-law to allow for the removal of four pike of any size on the waters listed.

I believe that it will make enforcement of the current National pike bye-law 809 of 2006 completely unenforceable on all other waters as people may falsely claim that any pike found in their possession were caught in one of the seven listed waters.

I oppose any change in pike bye-law 809 of 2006 on the named waters as these waters are famous for producing specimen pike. The introduction of this bye-law will adversely effect pike angling tourism on these waters as there will be less large pike to catch if people are allowed to catch and take four pike of ANY size.

Genuine pike anglers practice 'catch and release'. The National Strategy for Angling Development – Market Research 2015 recognises the 'Great Western Lakes' as one of Ireland's 'top class pike fisheries'. I oppose the new proposed bye-law as it is unnecessary.

The ESRI paper 563 of May 2017 clearly states that 61% of brown trout anglers are 'negatively disposed towards pike stock management'. If the purpose of the bye-law is to help protect brown trout then the bye-law should be limiting the number and size of the brown trout an angler can take per day. In this regard, perhaps it should mirror the current pike bye-law 809 of 2006, ie; one brown trout of up to 50 cms per day.

From:

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Sent:

24 May 2018 15:48

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

RE: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

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From: Sent:

To: Inland_Fisheries

Subject: FW: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

From:

Date: 17 May 2018 at 19:45:27 IST

Subject: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

Hello all,

I am writing to you to express my deep opposition to the proposed bye-law proposed by Minister Sean Kyne that enables anglers to keep and kill pike of any size on "designated brown trout fisheries". This comes on top of the rudimentary management practiced by IFI, which only involve culling huge numbers of pike.Please do not go ahead with this proposal.

I have been fishing for both pike and trout for many years and I've been studying aquatic ecosystems for even more years. There is no science to sustain this type of management of aquatic resources that involves the culling of one species to favour another. This is just primitive and childish thinking, ecosystems are a lot more complicated than that.

By removing the top predatory fish there is a very high possibility that trout populations will be also negatively affected. Large pike are the only thing that keep under control species like roach, bream and perch. These are the species of fish that the trout angler should be worried about, as they are trout's direct competitors for food. Once pike is removed these are the populations that will flourish and not trout. Compared to trout, these species are very adaptable to water conditions and have a very high reproductive rate that is not dependant on the existence of nearby spawning rivers. These are the species that will eliminate trout, if the controlling power of pike is reduced. Nature has its own ways to create equilibrium.

I do not dare to imagine the negative impact such a measure would have on the already dwindling fishing tourism in this beautiful country. Ireland used to be a worldwide famous angling destination and still is. Millions of euros are generated in revenue, supporting thousands of local businesses in rural Ireland.

On another note, you have to consider that such measure would only encourage poaching to a whole new level.

You should consider other measures to improve brown trout and salmon stocks, such as water quality improvement, catch and release and spawning beds improvement.

I trust you will act on common sense, science and not on make belief, and not in interest of the mislead few.

Regards,

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From:

Sent: To: 09 May 2018 16:01 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

OPPOSED TO BYE LAW SALMONID 2018

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Dear IFI (ministers attention). The slaughter of 4 pike per day of any size on the big loughs/lakes is totally unnecessary and inhumane. A total disgrace and I am firmly opposed to it. Mother nature looks after mother nature. Idiot human beings should leave well alone for the sake of all fish across the board, not just for Trout Anglers. Implosions of Perch and Roach will do more damage than killing Pike. They keep them and diseased fish in check. I strongly oppose this and I would like my voice heard. Anglers abroad will not come here anymore and its a big knock on affect.

From:

Sent: To: 16 May 2018 21:05 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Objections against new proposed salmonid waters bye law 2018

Categories:

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trongly object to the proposed by elaw as proposed by Minister Kyne. I cannot express my deep concerns enough over the effect of this law could have on the natural balance of an already uncertain ecosystem due to global warming and climate change.

To attempt to remove a native fish from the food chain in lakes and rivers will have a detrimental effect on the overall population of all fish stocks already under threat from pollution and illegal removal of fish from our water systems.

Be under no illusion our water systems are finely balanced with current stocks of course and game fish. Removal of the Pike species will only exasperate this issue even more.

With respect I ask that this Bye Law is rejected and instead ask that our fish stocks are nurtured instead of being destroyed by this reckless proposal.

Best Regards

From:

Sent:

16 May 2018 15:09

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Objection to bye laws

Categories:

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Owner of BORDER FISHING Guides.

We as a anglers are very much apossed to the actions been taken. Not only is our sport been taken away but from our children and there childlen. Not to mention put ourselves and many other guide's out of business.

Tackle shops b&b.s. boat hire cafes local shops will all be effected.

We have clients coming to us from uk europe usa and Australia every year. This is come to an end and ireland as fishing destination for anglers across the world.

Renards

From:

Sent: To:

18 May 2018 22:02

Subject:

Inland Fisheries Re:Pike consultation/Bye law

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We would like to oppose, this Bye Law.

Our Initiative is vigorously opposed too this unnecessary, bye law.

We are supporting IFPAC, IPS & every other angling fédération & individual pike anglers.

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Inland Fisheries Division

Dept. of Communications, Climate Action and Environment, Elm House Earlsvale Road Cavan Town H12 A8H7

Re: Draft Designated Salmonid Waters bye-law 2018 I oppose the proposed new bye-law to allow for the removal of 4 pike of any size on the waters listed. I believe that it will make enforcement of the current National pike bye-law 809 of 2006 completely unenforceable on all other waters as people may falsely claim that any pike found in their possession were caught in one of the 7 listed waters.

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I oppose the proposed new bye law as it is unnecessary. The ESRI paper 563 of May 2017 clearly states that 61% of brown trout anglers "are negatively disposed towards pike stock management". If the purpose of the bye-law is to help protect brown trout then the bye-law should be limiting the number and size of the brown trout an angler can take per day. In this regard perhaps it should mirror the current pike bye law 809 of 2006 i.e. one brown trout of up to 50cms per day.

I oppose the proposed bye -law as it undermines the current Inland Fisheries Ireland ongoing review of pike policy in designated wild brown trout waters and pre-empts the review group's findings. This makes for bad and ill-informed fishery management.

I oppose the proposed bye-law providing for the designation of the waters named under this proposed bye-law, their tributaries and distributaries as salmonid waters, if such designation infers that any existing species of fish living at present within these fisheries that is not a salmonid, can or should be removed by virtue of this designation.

From:

Sent: To: 19 May 2018 22:51

Subject:

Inland Fisheries
Pike limit review

Dear sir/madam

It has come to my attention that there is a proposed change to the laws regarding people taking and killing 4 pike a day!!!

In this age of conservation I believe this to be madness!!

Along with IFI kill all attitude with gill nets this will destroy not only an ecosystems apex Fish but also the local economy, I have visited Ireland on many occasions enjoying not only the fishing but the local atmosphere spending many an hour in the pubs eating and drinking, To be honest in recent years the horrific action of gill netting has reduced my trips, the destruction carried out by the gill nets leaves me deeply upset, On what would be a great days fishing with pals, sailing across a famous Lough, but to be greated with miles of nets across bays with rare water birds, pike and TROUT!gasping for breath But if the proposal is to be followed through I will not be back, yours sincerely

From:

Sent:

08 May 2018 18:27

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Killing Pike.

Follow Up Flag:

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Hi. This proposal is ridiculous. Pike only eat sick and injured trout so the pike are helping to maintain a healthy trout stock. Also, it will encourage poaching to no end. Please, please reconsider. Regards trout fisherman).

From:

Sent:

24 May 2018 16:55

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Submission on behalf of Tuam Anglers Association

To Whom it Concerns,

I wish to submit our show of support for The Minister of State at the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment Sean Kyne's new Salmonid Waters Bye-laws on behalf of

We believe this is a major step in the right direction in protecting the Fishing industry in Ireland, and its knock on affect on the tourism industry

Kindest Regards



Dear Minister Naughten,

as one of the angling representative members on Inland Fisheries Irelands' current Pike Policy Review Group.

We wish to convey to you our deeply felt concern that your Minister of State, Mr. Seán Kyne TD is planning to introduce arguably the most poorly conceived and potentially damaging angling legislation ever to be enacted in Ireland against a single fish species, in this instance, the pike (Esox Lucius).

Our deep concern not only extends to the future of pike angling tourism and the respective fisheries ecology that this bye-law potentially undermines, but to the Ministerial governance of our domestic angling product and the application of appropriate procedural process.

Mr. Kyne TD has initiated a public consultation process which will end on 25th May 2018, seeking observations or objections on the introduction of a revised pike angling bye-law for 7 specific fisheries i.e. Loughs Corrib, Mask, Carra, Conn, Cullin, Arrow and Sheelin, constituting approx. 20% of Ireland's lake surface area.

The proposed bye-law seeks to allow any angler to kill up to 4 pike every day of any size and to repeal the current national bye-law of 1 pike per day up to 50cm on these fisheries, a bye-law that was enacted country wide in 2006 to address a national angling crisis, which saw the previous pike bye-law regularly being breached and unenforceable.

The new bye-law proposed by Mr. Kyne TD is a backward step in the context of fish conservation and in the application of science to review fisheries management policy. Furthermore, it is thought by many applies who have contacted us, to be a knee-jerk response to requests from a section of Mr. Kyne's most vocal constituents who appear to have little interest in understanding the role pike has to play in the ecology of our shared fisheries.

Considering the above, we request that the current public consultation process is retracted pending a full investigation into the decision and process surrounding the introduction of the proposed bye-law change.

In the interest of brevity, the following observations are included on behalf of the Irish Federation of Pike Angling Clubs for your advice and consideration:

1. Representatives of the Irish Federation of Pike Angling Clubs; the Irish Pike Society; the Chairman of Inland Fisheries Irelands' Pike Policy Review Group and the CEO of Inland Fisheries Ireland met with Mr. Seán Kyne TD and Mr. Denis Maher (Principal Officer, Inland Fisheries, DCCAE) at Leinster House on 21st February 2018 to discuss the ongoing Pike Policy Review and other matters.

At no time during that meeting did either Mr. Kyne TD or Mr. Denis Maher give any indication that such a bye-law was being proposed, or alternatively, indicate that a matter that could have such serious implications for the outcome of the ongoing review of Pike Policy by Inland Fisheries Ireland was being considered by the DCCAE or the Minister;

- 2. At no point subsequent to the meeting held on 21st February with Mr. Seán Kyne TD, were the Pike Policy Review Group members made aware of the Minister's intention to introduce a new pike bye-law;
- 3. To our knowledge, the decision to introduce a new pike bye-law has not been ratified by the Board of Inland Fisheries Ireland;
- 4. To our knowledge, the decision to introduce a new pike bye-law has not been ratified by the scientific research department of Inland Fisheries Ireland;
- 5. To our knowledge, the bye-law proposed for the respective 7 affected major Irish fisheries has not considered the negative implications of its enactment on compliance and enforcement of the current 1 pike

From:

Sent:

09 May 2018 11:09

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries More Pike Slaughter

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Dear Sir,

You could not make it up. Pike anglers make representation to the IFI about the needless slaughter of pike by gill nets and the reply is to increase the number of pike anyone can kill, to four pike in a day instead of one. If that is not a slap in the face, I don't know what is. So it's protect trout by killing pike, but no restriction on the number of trout you can kill in national competitions or indeed at any time. Just blame the lack of trout on the pike. It is quite obvious, whoever is making these rules has no knowledge of, or refuses to accept, the scientific proof that pike are indigenous to the waters they occupy and have every right to be there. Someone needs to be held to account for this bad management.

From:

Sent:

08 May 2018 16:27 Inland Fisheries

To: Subject:

Fwd: new bye law

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From:

Date: Tue, May 8, 2018 at 4:25 PM

Subject: Fwd: new bye law

To: Inland Fisheries Ireland < contact@fisheriesireland.ie>

On Tue, May 8, 2018 at 4:24 PM, Mr.Kyne,

I strongly object to the proposed by law to introduce a bag limit of 4 pike a day on designated waters. The pike is a native species as has been proven by a scientific study. The trout anglers that have promised to vote for you in any election kill thousands of trout every year. They hold trout killing competitions to ensure that plenty of trout are killed. The proposed by law should read -a bag limit of 4 trout anglers to be knocked on their empty heads.

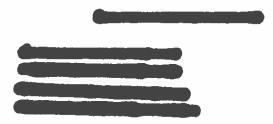
From:

 Sent:
 22 May 2018 15:10

 To:
 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Salmonid Waters bye law



Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the above club, I am writing to you Ref; Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018, we support Minister Sean Kyne T.D. proposal, the wild stocks of seatrout, salmon and wild brown trout must be protected.



Sent from my Huawei Y6II Compact on Three

From:

Sent:

18 May 2018 10:34

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Proposed (Draft) Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Categories:

Red Category

Dear Minister of State a the Depatment of Communications,

I object to your proposed bye law.

You are proposing the killing of up to 4 pike per day on the designated waters.

You are allowing the killing of trout on the same waters.

These waters have been "managed" for a long time now and you have no appreciable success in "controlling" the fish stocks - either trout or pike.

Killing more fish does not seem to be a sensible plan.

If you are determined to conserve ane protect fish stock then simply operate a catch and release policy on all these "trout" lakes and that should ensure the fish stock survives and thrives.

Please stand back and have an objective look at this proposed bye law. Will more killing solve the problem if a complete ban on killing is the alternative?

Tight lines



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From:

Sent:

11 May 2018 20:18

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Proposed (Draft) Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Dear Sir/Madam

I would like to submit my objection to the draft legislation 'Proposed Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018", for the following reasons:

- 1) There is no sound scientific/research evidence or findings to justify it
- 2) Daily removal of 4 x Pike of unlimited size will result in the killing of much prized, respected and sought after fish by anglers
- 3) It undermines an ongoing Pike Policy Review
- 4) The western lakes belong to all anglers in Ireland, and not just anglers who are Minister Kyne's constituents.

Yours Sincerely

Sent from my iPad

From:

Sent: To: 18 May 2018 19:51 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Proposed by law to allow the killing of 4 pike of any size per day

Categories:

Dear sirs my name is and im a very keen angler i not only enjoy pike fishing but i course fish carp fish and fly fish for trout i think this proposal is a disgrace it will not only ruin our great sport but it also will have a very negative financial effect Irish pike fishing is the best in the world and it attracts tourists from all over the world who come here spend there money and enjoy catching one of our greatest species the removal of so many pike would also have a very negative ecological effect as the pike is the apex fresh water predator in our country this would cause catastrophic harm to our rivers and lakes so as you can probably guess i strongly object to the proposal and hope that the politicians who came up with the idea to gain some votes see sense and scrap the idea

From:

Sent:

15 May 2018 13:40

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Proposed bye law

Categories:

Dear Sir/Madam

I do not support the proposed Bye-law. I do not believe that the new Bye-law proposal to allow for the removal of 4 pike of any size per day is in the best ecological interest of these fisheries as water quality and habitat destruction are primary factors affecting all fish stocks. Also it will negatively impact the domestic and overseas pike angling tourism market attracted to these fisheries, and Ireland's pike angling tourism market in general.

Yours sincerely

From:

Sent:

05 May 2018 09:47

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Proposed bye-law change

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Dear Sir,

I write to express my opposition to your proposed bye-law change to allow the increase in the number of pike that can legally be killed each day.

In these supposedly enlightened times, whereby across the globe, 'catch and release' policies are unilaterally accepted as those conducive to creating the best fishing environments for all fish species, I find this proposal absolutely bewildering.

Probably a better approach, if you believe that the killing of native fish is the best tack to take, why not REDUCE the number of trout that an angler can legitimately kill each day?

Ireland USED to have the best trout and pike fishing in the world on the western loughs. Oh how times have changed and without a doubt to my mind, all as a result of the intervention of man. Rather than continue to spend hundreds of thousands of euros trying to eradicate Esox Lucius, why not spend those precious funds trying to enhance trout spawning habitat, reducing pollution and educating trout anglers of the merits of catch and release? I look forward to receiving your response.

Best regards,

Sent from my iPad

From:

Sent:

07 May 2018 10:12

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Pike bag limit

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Categories:

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Sirs, please provide me with a copy of the peer reviewed and published scientific proof that a 4 limit bag on pike will actually have an effect on trout stocks?

May I be as bold to suggest that catch and release for trout would have a better effect on stocks than encouraging the destruction of a native species?

Sent from my iPad

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From:

Sent:

14 May 2018 23:10

То:

Inland Fisheries; ading@gmail.com

Subject:

Objection to the new proposed salmon by laws.

Categories:

Red Category

I am sending this email to voice my objection and my concern about the news proposed salmonoid by laws on selected lakes in Ireland. As a buisness owner directly linked to pike fishing, the news of this new proposed law is already spreading on the continent very fast. Many French, Belgium, Dutch and German anglers are worried for the future of the sport in Ireland. Some already are not coming back, choosing instead Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Spain as new pike fishing destinations.

I hope you can see the terrible effects this new law will bring to the affected regions. Like in cavan any poacher within 50 miles radius of lough sheelin, can catch and kill a pike and pretent that they caught it in sheelin. We already have a problem with littered lough and poaching. This new proposed law will only help the deterioration of the local economy for many guesthouses and B&B's.

Regards,

From:

Sent:

20 May 2018 20:48

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Minister Sean Kynes's proposal re Pike

Categories:

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Dear Sir/madam,

As a tax paying law abiding Irish citizen, as well as a life long trout and pike angler I would like to strongly object to the minister's proposal regarding the killing of pike. These fish have existing in tandem with trout for 100s of years without incidence. Pike are a crucial part of the ecosystem and maintain a healthy balance where they are present.

Secondly tourism angling has Senn a huge decline in the past 10 years due to the lack of good coarse and pike fishing throughout island. Many small towns on the shannon and suck systems have suffered due to the decrease in good fishing, in particular pike. Ireland was once knows as a world leader in pike fishing and sadly this is no longer the case!

Nature has a way of maintaining a balance between predator and prey, man need not interfere. The minister should focus on preserving and improving ALL areas of sport fishing within the island of Ireland to generate more revenue from tourism!

Sincerely

From:

Sent:

1/ May 2018 08:36

To:

Inland Fisheries

Categories:

Blue Category

As a multi species angler I would like to put my objection in wrighting against the new bye law proposal by Sean Keynes. I strongly reject the removal of any pike on any day. Pike have been in our waters for 1000s of years and are not to blame for the drop in numbers of trout and salmonoid, anglers and clubs catching big numbers in competitions for the dinner table foreign nationals and advacive species of birds are in my opinion much worse. A catch and release method just like the one most pike anglers practice is a much better idea.. in my eyes there is no difference in pike salmon or trout.

From:

Sent:

23 May 2018 11:45

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Object to the proposed Bylaw

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22/03/2018

Inland Fisheries Division
Department of Communication
Climate Action and Environment
Elm House
Earlvale Road
Cavan Town
H12 ABH7
Ireland

Re: Designated salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Minister,

We as members of the have since its inception in 1953 played a significant role in the development and conservation of Lough Corrib as a wild salmonid fishery.

The club and its members have invested heavily in the development of mooring facilities in Pordarragh, Moycullen and the construction of three angling huts, two of which are open access. To date the club has invested significant funds in the development of the Oughterard hatchery for the supply of trout fry, the development of streams and the management of pike. These activities coupled with other Lough Corrib clubs have been critical to developing and maintaining Lough Corrib as a salmonid fishery, which is now recognised internationally as a unique World Class salmonid fishery.

The club welcomes the proposed Designated Salmonid bye-law by the Minister and as a significant stakeholder of lough Corrib the club and its members wishes to express its full support in its implementation.

Sincerely

From:

Marcin Gregorczyk <marcingregor69@gmail.com>

Sent:

11 May 2018 10:44

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

NO KILL PIKE

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From:

Jay Cooke < Jaycooke 07@hotmail.com>

Sent:

08 May 2018 19:30 Inland Fisheries

To: Subject:

Objection to bye laws

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Anto

byrne_anto@yahoo.co.uk>

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Regards Anthony Byrne

From:

Jan Rut <janjandnb@gmail.com>

Sent:

09 May 2018 08:25

To: Subject:

Inland Fisheries
Observations/objections to the draft regulations

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Jan Rutkowski

From:

Marek Wojcik <mtaboo@interia.pl>

Sent:

11 May 2018 07:00

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries
Save Irish eco system, pike population

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Regards, Marek Wojcik

From:

Stuart Worrell <worrell.stuart@gmail.com>

Sent: To: 24 May 2018 22:14 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Salmanoid bye law 2018

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Stuart Worrell

From:

germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Sent:

22 May 2018 10:38

To:

Inland Fisheries; gerry.adams@oireachtas.ie

Subject:

Fwd: public consultation designated salmonid waters bye-laws 2018

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From: germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Date: 08/05/2018 2:10 PM (GMT+00:00)

To: inland.fisheries@dccae.gov.ie

Subject:

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From: germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Sent: 18 May 2018 23:36

To: sean.kyne@oir.ie; Inland Fisheries

Subject: Fwd:

Categories: Green Category, Red Category

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From: germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Date: 08/05/2018 4:51 PM (GMT+00:00)

To: sean.kyne@oir.ie

Subject:

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From: germatth

germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Sent: 22 May 2018 10:38

To: Inland Fisheries; ara.calleary@oireachtas.ie; pat.casey@oireachtas.ie;

richard.bruton@oireachtas.ie; ruth.coppinger@oireachtas.ie

Subject: Fwd: public consultation designated salmonid waters bye-laws 2018

Categories: Red Category

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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From: germatthews05 < germatthews05@gmail.com>

Date: 08/05/2018 2:10 PM (GMT+00:00)

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From:

Ken Flanagan <ken54@ymail.com>

Sent:

09 May 2018 19:26

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries
Protect our fish

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Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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09 May 2018 15:54

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Sent:

18 May 2018 11:58

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Sent:

16 May 2018 14:24

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Objection

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The minister has ignored the ongoing research. A decision like this should be at national level, not his own constituency. The IFI and the Pike bodies are presently working on the latest science since 2016 that proves the removal of the apex predator from these waters will be catastrophic to the trout stocks. This is the minister bowing down to a minority of trout anglers in the west so he can get local support.

Regards

Sent: To: 05 May 2018 12:32 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

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21 May 2018 11:09

To:

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Subject:

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From:

Sent: To: 04 May 2018 16:15 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

I have no problem with those waters being managed primarily for salmonid fish. However,I strongly object to an angler being able to kill 4 pike a day instead of the 1 at present. This proposed bye law preempts the recommendations of the IFI Review Groups recommendations on the management of pike in the managed wild brown trout fisheries. Another problem is that it will make enforcement of the current 1 pike bye law impossible on other waters. Say an angler is fishing a pike/coarse lake in County Cavan and has 4 pike in his car boot. This would be illegal but if he was to say that he had just arrived at this lake and had caught the 4 pike in Sheelin earlier, well what can the IFI enforcement officer do? It opens up much of the Country to the illegal catching and killing of more than one pike per day.

From:

Sent: To: 21 May 2018 14:37 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

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From:

Sent: To: 08 May 2018 11:50 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Bye law

To whom it may concern

I am writing to you this evening in a state of shock at the proposed bye-laws that Sean Kyne the Minister of State at the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment with responsibility for Natural Resources, Community Affairs, and Digital Development issued on Friday evening of a bank holiday 4th May 2018.

Inland Fisheries Ireland have and continue to implement a review of Pike management in designated wild brown trout fisheries, which they invited all interested parties to participate in with a view to protecting the future of these fisheries. It is my opinion that the proposed by elaws are taking none of the research findings into consideration, indeed the research has not yet been complete by the IFI, the state agency appointed for the protection and management of all of our fisheries, and Minister Kyne is eager to progress his proposals before the results are in.

The review taking place is being funded by the hard pressed tax payers of this country and if these proposals become law it would be deemed a complete waste of tax payers money by a government minister.

I believe implementation of this bye-law should be suspended indefinitely for the following reasons:

- 1. The current review by IFI hasn't yet been complete.
- 2. A campaign of false information and lobbying has been highly active in the ministers constituency of Galway West.
- 3. There has been no independent review of these proposals.
- 4. There has been no peer review of the proposals.
- 5. These proposals seem to be at best for pure political reasons and not for the best outcome of these fisheries.
- 6. IFI's own research has show that pike are an indigenous species.
- 7. The latest research as submitted to the pike policy review shows pike are not the reason for the decline in salmonoids in these designated waters.

These fisheries are for all of the people of Ireland and not those who shout the loudest. We in Ireland have some of the best fisheries in Europe, maybe the world and these should be managed by experts not by politicians with vested interests.

I would appeal for you to reconsider these bye-laws, as I believe these will cause long term damage to both trout and pike stocks, with a significant impact on our fisheries tourism and the wider angling community.

Regards

From:

Sent: To: 17 May 2018 07:46 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

opposition to the proposed bye-law

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From:

Sent:

18 May 2018 16:19

To:

Inland Fisheries

Dear sir/madam

I oppose the proposed new bye-law to allow for the removal of 4 pike of any size on the waters listed. I believe that it will make enforcement of the current National pike bye-law 809 of 2006 completely unenforceable on all other waters as people may falsely claim that any pike found in their possession were caught in one of the 7 listed waters.

I oppose any change in pike bye law 809 of 2006 on the named waters as these waters are famous for producing specimen pike and the introduction of the bye law will adversely affect pike angling tourism on these waters as there will be less large pike to catch if people are allowed to catch and take 4 pike of ANY size. Genuine pike anglers practice catch and release. Inland Fisheries Ireland recognise the tourism value of large pike on these waters by releasing all pike they catch which are over 85cms.

I oppose the proposed new bye law as it is unnecessary. The ESRI paper 563 of May 2017 clearly states that 61% of brown trout anglers "are negatively disposed towards pike stock management". If the purpose of the bye-law is to help protect brown trout then the bye-law should be limiting the number and size of the brown trout an angler can take per day. In this regard perhaps it should mirror the current pike bye law 809 of 2006 i.e. one brown trout of up to 50cms per day.

I oppose the proposed bye -law as it

Regards

From:

Sent: 14 May 2018 23:12
To: Inland Fisheries

o: Inland Fisheries

Subject: I Object to the introduction of Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018"

Dear Sir/Madam.

I do not support the proposed Bye-law. I do not believe that the new Bye-law proposal to allow for the removal of 4 pike of any size per day is in the best ecological interest of these fisheries as water quality and habitat destruction are primary factors affecting all fish stocks. Also it will negatively impact the domestic and overseas pike angling tourism market attracted to these fisheries, and Ireland's pike angling tourism market in general. Also where is the scientific evidence to prove pike control is needed in Salmonid waters. Obviously the people making these are uneducated and make the IFI look very unprofessional and backward. Some forward thinking would be good. Go back to basics if you remove one species from a habitat it will have a knock on effect on other species. So why interfere with what nature has already created.

Yours sincerely,

From:

Sent: To:

18 May 2018 11:54

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public consultations designated salmonid waters Bye-Law 2018

I object to the proposed bye_law Regards

From:

Sent: To: 21 May 2018 13:29

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Bye-law proposal

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you to express my discuss of your plans to introduce a new bye- law to allow people to kill 4 pike on trout lakes around Ireland. This is a ridiculous idea. Pike and trout have lived in lakes together for thousands of years and this has never been a problem before. If you start killing pike in trout lakes you are messing with nature. If you start messing with nature you will ruin the lakes. I really think ye should re think this bye-law

If you want to do something good you should bring in a new bye-law of a new bag limit on killing trout. One trout a day bag limit is more than enough for any person.

If you bring in this new bye-law you will be messing with people's lively hoods and their hobby. You have guides bring in tourist from all over t he world everyday which brings money into the Irish economy. If you bring this in that will be gone. Don't bring in a bye-law just for votes.

Regards

From:

Sent: To: 08 May 2018 09:11 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Minister Sean Kyne's proposed new bye law



Dear Sir/ Madam

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From:

Sent: To:

24 May 2018 19:50

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law May 4th, 2018

I object to this madness, catch and release all the way.

From:

Sent:

17 May 2018 23:22

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries Ye are a disgrace

It is a disgrace you tryin to bring in bein able to kill 4 pike on certain waters around ireland each day all you are doing is killing the sport on us anglers ye people are a disgrace and hope you reconsider in letting this happin

From:

Sent: To: 20 May 2018 21:38 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Why?

Hello

I m a french fisher. Since 10 years i come to irland to catch and relesase big pike, it s my hobby I come one week in your beautifull contry every year i spend 2000 € with pleasure but if all the big pike disapeared i wiil go to spain or other country, what a shame no?



From:

Sent:

08 May 2018 13:30

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Well done on the further destruction of pike in ireland. An absolute disgrace

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Follow up

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From:

Sent: To:

06 May 2018 00:06

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

The unwarranted killing of pike

Dear sir. I am an angler who fishes for every species of fresh water fish found in Ireland. Further more I do not kill any Fish regardless of species. I fish the Corrib one of the leading trout waters in Europe . I see countless anglers killing what they term as keepers. A fish of a suitable size. The fishing has declined in recent years but let me say the pike are not responsible for this as they have coexisted for centuries with no decline in fish stocks. It is the anglers who do more damage to fish stocks by killing large trout . I think killing of any fish should be outlawed to preserve all stocks . So please do NOT pass this foolish bylaw . Regards ... angler

From:

Sent: To: 25 May 2018 07:53 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

The law of killing 4 pike

Sent from my iPad I'm a proud Irish fisherman & I fish for every species of Irish fish in every season, I strongly object to the introduction of a new law, the will allow the killing of up to 4 pike in these 7 named lakes in the west of Ireland. Let Mother Nature take care of its own. CATCH & RELESE only.

From:	
Sent:	1/ May 2018 14:59
To:	Inland Fisheries
Subject:	TD Sean Kyne's proposed daily pike bag limit.

I herby give notice of my objection to the above proposal in the strongest possible terms, in my opinion the proposal is idiotic and the proposer must be suffering some form of lunacy, this is utterly ridiculous.

From:

Sent:

17 May 2018 23:03 Inland Fisheries

To: Subject:

Stop killing our native pike

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent:

21 May 2018 10:30

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries save the pikes!

Please do not let die fishing tourism in your beautiful country by sacrificing the beautiful pike of your lakes, it would be a very big mistake!



From:

Sent: To: . 17 May 2018 10:37

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Save our fsh

im objecting to this new bye law and slate the minister for trying to destroy fishing without even looking at all the recent research done by ifi ifi

From:

 Sent:
 15 May 2018 20:00

 To:
 Inland Fisheries

Subject: Salmonoid Designation

I fully support Minister Sean Kyne's proposals regarding the Salmonoid Designation for the Lough Corrib.

From:

Sent:

10 May 2018 14:06

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To Whom It May Concern

I would like to lodge my objection to the new proposed salmonid water by-law.

Kind Regards

From:

Sent:

23 May 2018 12:16

To:

Inland Fisheries sean.kyne@oireachtas.ie

Cc: Subject:

Salmonid waters bye law

Dear all at Inland Fisheries,

As you know there have been many rumours over the last few years of the neglect and proposed change of status of Lough Corrib. It is hard as someone who lives on the lake, and works long hours bringing high net worth trout fishermen to the area, and runs a business here, to know what is true and what the position of the Inland Fisheries is.

I own and run a 12 bedroom hotel on the shores of Lough Corrib, just outside Oughterard. We employ 14 local staff, pay rates and spend hundreds of thousands through purchasing from the local community. We are the longest running hotel or guest house in the same ownership in Ireland. A significant proportion of our business is to do with trout fishing on Lough Corrib. It is true to say that without trout fishing, we would be forced to close. Trout fishing allows us to extend the short tourist season, brings high spending guests on the shoulder months and valuable repeat business.

In my own fifteen years since I have returned from Canada to work here, I have never once had any pike fishermen to stay; they have never looked to stay here. Putting a rough figure on it, we get perhaps E150,000 per year directly from Trout fishermen, and NOTHING from pike fishermen. Thus it is with alarm that one hears that Inland Fisheries would have any objection at all to helping the smooth passing of Minister Kyne's proposed Salmonid Bye Law. I can tell you that pike fishermen bring nothing to the local community, local economy and are not part of the history of the area. I know of no one locally who would support in any way the encouragement of pike fishing on Corrib.

As the biggest employer on the Glann Shore, the only business to pay rates, and also pay rates on a lake in Connemara, Maam Wee, I would be most interested to hear back from you personally that you do fully intend to aid Minister Kyne's SI in any way you can. To not do so would be massively out of step with local opinion, local needs and local desires.

Looking forward to your response,



From:

Sent: To: 16 May 2018 21:44 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To whom it be concern.

Im writing to strongly object of the removal of 4 pike of any size. In fact I object for any pike of any size to be removed from any water! which is absolutely madness!!!

You could have 4 people on a boat, 12 pike per day! This can turn into like the trout number that has so called, "lowered" but as you see with trout anglers on facebook boasting their catches doing the same and you wonder why the trout numbers are so low.

With the gill of net its not controlling the number of pike, which is killing alot more and you know this. Leave nature to nature it will and always has looked after herself!!

The man behind this is an uneducated vote grabing with no interest in the future so call TD Sean Kyne. He seems to be more interested in votes then the future and rather listen to a small percent of backwards stone age so call trout anglers which is a really small percent of these by the way!!

If this goes ahead Ireland as a whole will lose people traveling to ireland for pike fishing hoildays, people will not be staying in hotels! Not staying in b&bs, not be buying boats, not buying gear. So locals will be losing a serious amount of earning, businesses could shut down!! Jobs lost!! Tourism lowered or gone....

If this goes ahead the pike fishing will seriously have a massive impack on so much!! Pike eat pike to keep the population down it also looks after the eco system and gets rid of the weak and ill fish to maintain the strong eco system in the waters...

It also effect young people as a major hobbie and this keeps them away from the drink and drugs off the streets.. its also a benifit to people to help with mental health to which 400 people die from in ireland each year!!

There will be absolutely nothing gained from this to be passed just for sean Kyne to stay in office.....

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

From:

Sent: To: 21 May 2018 09:20

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Salmonid Bye-law

To Whom it Concerns

All members of the Headford and Corrib Angling Club support the Salmonid Bye-Law and fully endorse it.

Signed

From:

Sent: To: 25 May 2018 17:14

Subject:

Inland Fisheries
Salmonid Bye Law

Dear Minister Kyne,

I have lived on the shores of Lough Corrib all 37 years of my life and have been boating and fishing since the age of 5.

The Corrib and her tributaries are a precious, prestine natural resources that have been some of the best Salmonid waters in Ireland and in Europe. These waters face many challenges and the introduction of non native species has decimated the Salmonid populations in the Owenriff feeder rivers. Locals and trout anglers have the best interests of these natural resources to heart, and understand that they need to be protected as they were for future generations. Continual management by IFI of invasive species and aiding of Salmonid species are needed through river bed enhancement programmes, helping the work of local hatcheries, and pollution protection. The proposed bye law is a significant step to continuing the improvement of the Corrib catchment as a Salmonid waters, helping Galway West tourism to return, and solidifying the reputation of the Corrib as the best Wild Brown Trout fishery in Europe. Please don't be distracted by outside invested, commercial and sometimes foreign parties from this crucial task, whom do not have the genuine best interest of the welfare of the Corrib, her waters and the fishery at heart.

Mise le meas.

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From:

 Sent:
 08 May 2018 16:47

 To:
 Inland Fisheries

Subject: Salmonid by laws 2018

To whom it may concern I am writing to you this evening in a state of shock at the proposed byelaws that Sean Kyne the Minister of State at the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment with responsibility for Natural Resources, Community Affairs, and Digital Development issued on Friday evening of a bank holiday 4th May 2018. Inland Fisheries Ireland have and continue to implement a review of Pike management in designated wild brown trout fisheries, which they invited all interested parties to participate in with a view to protecting the future of these fisheries. It is my opinion that the proposed by laws are taking none of the research findings into consideration, indeed the research has not yet been complete by the IFI, the state agency appointed for the protection and management of all of our fisheries, and Minister Kyne is eager to progress his proposals before the results are in. The review taking place is being funded by the hard pressed tax payers of this country and if these proposals become law it would be deemed a complete waste of tax payers money by a government minister. I believe implementation of this bye-law should be suspended indefinitely for the following reasons: 1. The current review by IFI hasn't yet been complete. 2. A campaign of false information and lobbying has been highly active in the ministers constituency of Galway West. 3. There has been no independent review of these proposals. 4. There has been no peer review of the proposals. 5. These proposals seem to be at best for pure political reasons and not for the best outcome of these fisheries. 6. IFI's own research has show that pike are an indigenous species. 7. The latest research as submitted to the pike policy review shows pike are not the reason for the decline in salmonoids in these designated waters. These fisheries are for all of the people of Ireland and not those who shout the loudest. We in Ireland have some of the best fisheries in Europe, maybe the world and these should be managed by experts not by politicians with vested interests. I would appeal for you to reconsider these bye-laws, as I believe these will cause long term damage to both trout and pike stocks, with a significant impact on our fisheries tourism and the wider angling community. Regards

From:

Sent: 15 May 2018 14:37
To: Inland Fisheries

Subject: ridiculous proposed new by law

I cannot believe that this new by law is even being considered, if your aim is to completely screw the angling tourism economy in Ireland then just keep going down the road you are going, every english, french, italian angler I have spoken with in the last few years are disgusted at the continued persecution of the irish pike, they have been and continue to be a massive draw to visiting anglers wanting to catch a wild hard fighting fish, I for one do not understand the reasoning for this continued destruction of a species, and coming from the very organisation that is 'supposedly' protecting our waterways, why not just introduce signs in every available fishing spot in the country saying take whatever you like because we do,

From:

Sent:

05 May 2018 06:17 Inland Fisheries

To: Subject:

Removal of pike (Sean kyne)

Please take into consideration the loss in revenue and respect, by anglers that travel /holiday in Ireland (including accommodation, food and loss in Guinness sales!

If minister Sean kynes bill goes through there should at the very least be a size limit!

From:

Sent:

10 May 2018 20:46

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Regard to Bylaw that effects Pike

Dear Sir/Madam

I have recently come across that a new bylaw is being arranged for Anglers to kill up to 4 pike of any size!. The sheer fact that this is even considered is a disgrace and as a committee member of one of the largest angling clubs in the UK, I'll be sharing this with hundreds of members who are potential tourists which will see no point in traveling over anymore as there sport is being killed off. With pike angling growing bigger each year, the thought of this is crazy for any country to do. Myself personally will never visit the country or arrange any club trips over if this bylaw is passed. I hope this issue is resolved and someone is educated on what a silly mistake this would be.

Thanks,

From:

Sent:

24 May 2018 15-94

To:

Subject:

FW: Re:pike

Importance:

High

----Original Message----

From:

Sent: 23 May 2018 21:12

To: Minister Kyne Subject: Re:pike Minister Kyne.

This is my 3rd email to yourself,my second directly to you & one Via minister Naughton, without reply or Acknowledgment, seemly I am not the only person who is having difficulty in corresponding with you, on the issue of your proposal on killing 4 pike of any size, per day per so called anglers.

Fishing is my chosen sport, & by your actions you are depriving me & others of doing something we love & are passionate about, the waters & tributaries your proposed by elaw is effecting belong to the people of Ireland, not you or a few people who kill trout on a daily basis.

Your bye law isn't in line with any scientific research either conducted by IFI any other organizations.

Pike fishing is worth millions to the Irish economy, which you seem to ignore, Foreign Anglers will stop coming to our country, to fish for pike, the biodiversity of the waters will be seriously damaged, as you are probably, I fish for trout, my friends fish for trout, but I don't want to kill any other kind of fish.

I don't play golf, at the same time I don't want to deprive others from playing so, why do you want to deprive me & so many others of our sport.

Introduce bag limits or introduce catch & Release on all trout waters for a period of time.

That would soon put a stop to the decline of wild brown trout.

You might also try an your influence on getting those who left the pike review back around the table.

Again I've said it in other emails, this is wrong & nothing more than Parish pump politics.

My family have voted FG most of their lives & I'll do everything to persuade them to vote for another party.

Personally I'll never vote FG after this .

However a reply would be welcome.

Sent from my iPad

From:

Sent:

19 May 2018 14:09

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Re:draft designated salmonid waters by-law 2018

I would like to put my objection in writing to the proposed change in the pike by-law allowing anglers to kill four fish a day of any size.

I was highly disgusted to hear of these plans, pike will sort out sick and weak fish and keep numbers in course fish at sustainable rates. To try to kill all pike in any water is a ridiculous idea.

We live in 2018 now and some people need to realise that.

If i want to fish the inny river or river suck i have to pay for that privilege so i think i should have some sort of opinion that matters on this subject.

If this goes through i will never vote for your party again and i will also tell family and friends never to vote for you again.

I find it hard to believe i even have to write to you to object to such a stupid and ridiculous idea.

Regards

From:

Sent:

08 May 2018 15:33

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Re: RE Designated Waters Bye-Law Regulations 2018

Sent: 08 May 2018 10:04 To: Inland Fisheries Subject: objection

To whom it may concern,

I want to object to the proposed

bye-law that encourages the killing of four pike per day on the lakes mentioned in the following link, https://www.dccae.gov.ie/en-ie/natural-resources/consultations/Pages/Public-Consultations-Designated-Salmonid-Waters-Bye-Law-2018.aspx.

This is not good for the conservation of Irish pike fishing or fishing in general in Ireland. It has been mentioned that should someone be found in possession of 4 pike in the surrounding areas the person in question could claim to have taken them from the mentioned lakes. This bye-law promotes a bad attitude to pike in Ireland and fish conservation and should not be encouraged.

Please can i have confirmation that my email has been received.

Thank you for your time,

From:

Sent:

04 May 2018 17:56

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018 objection

I'm highly disappointed at this proposed bye law there should be a catch and release system put into place on these salmonid water for all anglers not put in place laws for trout fisher men to kill every pike they catch, overfishing is the problem here not pike I think this is a disgrace of a bye law as your allowing 20, 30lb maybe even 40lb fish to be taking from the water, What scientific evidence is there back up the destruction of pike in salmonid waters.

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent:

10 May 2018 22:14

To:

Inland Fisheries; michael.noonan@oir.ie

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018 objection

To whom it may concern

As an all round angler I am absolutely gob smacked to learn that a minister of the state would even consider introducing such ludicrous bag limits on pike! Pike and trout have lived side by side in these lakes long before we came along so how would they now be posing a threat to trout?

He is trying to bring this forward because a set group of anglers in a few lakes can't seem to learn the meaning of CATCH & RELEASE if this was practiced by these salmon/trout anglers then there fish stocks would not be in a decline.

Our fishing tourism industry is only now seemingly getting better so with this new by-law it will completely turn people away from pike fishing in Ireland which is renowned worldwide for its Great Lakes, Beautiful rivers and super fishing.

This must not be put ahead to do so will cause an uproar throughout the angling community and spark protests around the country!

Yours sincerely

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent:

25 May 2018 08:42

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public consultations designed salmonid waters

To whom it may concern,

We are an incoming tour operator based in Louisburgh, Co. Mayo for almost 10 years. We are bringing French tourists to the area for fishing tours and 80% of our business is based on pike fishing. We are one of many businesses based in this area...and on the fishing business in general.

Our turnover is nearly €350.000 and we only work with local restaurants, Bed and Breakfast, cottages, hotels, car rental...and i have 3 employees. 2 in full time and one in part time.

We are all desperate about the pike policy management et practices (from the Inland Fisheries Ireland) in our area.

Of course, we know we are Guests in your country – and we thank you for that, and would never dare becoming a lesson giver!

But I believe we are an important economic actor of our area and can provide relevant insights.

Ireland is probably, now, one or "the" the best country in Europe for pike fishing. Thousands and thousands of french anglers come every year to catch their dream... and release it.

On my point of view, the Inland Fisheries Board have set a real pike eradication campaign. They are pacticing already gill netting, electrofishing, killing pike competitions and now, they are on the way to allow a bag limit of 4 pike a day of any sizes...

We have seen kilometers of nets with many dead pike, but also trout, birds, perch, and every species that is going too close to the nets etc.

Inland Fisheries Ireland were in every fishing shows in France (Clermont-Ferrand, Nantes and St Etienne) to promote the quality of fishing in Ireland. On one hand, they spend a lot of money inadvertising during these shows. However, on the other hand they are destroying what they promote with their present policy of Pike management in favour of the promotion of trout, which is based on a survey dated from more than 10 years ago.

A survey has shown that pike was a native species and pike fishing tourism provides more economic benefits than a policy to deter their growth.

Since a week, me and my team have released everything on the French market and you can be sure of the desaster effetc...

From:

Sent:

04 May 2018 23:07

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Regards

From:

Sent: To: 05 May 2018 08:30 Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To whom it may concern,

I have read the proposal for the

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018 and I would like to object to the this proposal.

I would also like to asked has any scientific research been used to propose this bye-law?

Nature can not be messed with.

I have no doubt that I know who won't be getting my vote in any future elections.

Regards

From:

Sent:

05 May 2018 12:38

To: Subject: Inland Fisheries

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Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am very disappointed to read the latest Bye-Law change to allow the removal of four pike per day across the great systems at Limerick - Galway - Ballina and Sligo.

The dreadful indiscriminate gill netting of the Western Loughs to reduce pike populations is 'folly' in itself and not backed up by science to be of any worth.

This latest Bye-Law is the tipping point for myself and other English pike anglers who so enjoy a Irish pike fishing trip or two every year.

Sad to say, my 2018 trips will be a longer journey, we'll miss the 'crack' and the Guiness but we've booked pike fishing in **Holland**.

Yours sincerely,

From	:	

Sent:

07 May 2018 08:45

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

I have read this and have to say Im disgusted with your anti Pike agenda, once again you have shown how backward thinking you are and have no awareness of your actions and how it will impact, go ahead shoot yourself in the foot..again.

Regards