

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 12:05
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

I [REDACTED] completely object to the proposal to bring in catch and kill 4 pike policy's in the western lakes of Ireland. This is an out dated practice, water quality is the issue here not pike. You and I have a paid for a scientific study through IFI that has proven that pike are native to Ireland! Why are you not looking at this study?

Regards,

[REDACTED]
Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 08:03
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: proposed new bylaw to on 7 wild brown trout lakes

we [redacted] anglers object to this proposed change .the inland rivers of ireland are being decimated by comorant predation causing serious problems to wild brown trout rivers and lakes.can be contacted about same [redacted] yours sincerely [redacted]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 17:25
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To whom it may concern,

I [REDACTED] object completely to this ridiculous new bye law regarding the slaughter of pike in lakes in the west and midlands. I am an avid pike fisherman that lives in the midlands of Ireland. I fly to Europe every year rather than go to the western lakes to enjoy my pike fishing in peace because of the practices by the IFI in this country. I believe you are costing this country hundreds of thousands of euro in lost revenue from European anglers because of the Stone Age practices and now a bye law that promotes killing 4 pike per angler per day. We are the laughing stock of Europe when it comes to fishing! Our research is completely outdated and you people object to scientific facts.

Water quality is the issue here, loss of habitats, I believe you are too afraid to blame bad practices from farmers probably because of votes! But you should put your money and time to educate these rather than side with a few wealthy trout fishermen....

Regards,

[REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 05 May 2018 12:40
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: public consultations designated salmonoid waters bye law 2018.

To whom it may concern,

As a taxpaying citizen of ireland, i oppose the proposal to increase the catch limit restrictions of pike, from one pike to four pike of any size. Best regards [REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 15:14
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Protect our lakes

Please do not destroy our wonderful resource .

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 20 May 2018 17:34
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: proposed pike management

I would just like to convey my disappointment to the new proposed legislation by minister kyne and to say that i am 100 percent against it. On the bases that it is unscientifically sound and based on bias opinion and nothing else. i`m not going to try and even explain the science behind it because it`s just been ignored up to this point by the minister. If the minster chooses to go ahead with this proposal before the IFI have finished the review process and ignore the democratic process.

1. Why did the minister waste tax payers money in what is clearly lip service and an excise in futility.
2. Why do we even have the IFI and all the scientist and qualified employees drawing a wage at the tax payers expense if the minister is just going to ignore them and their findings, recommendations and not even allow them finish their work.
3. What plan, if any does the minister have to control the inevitable roach explosion (a highly invasive nonnative fish) and their related hybrids if the proposal goes ahead. Given that Cyprinidae`s are much longer lived that Salmonide`s and represent a much bigger biomass that compete with trout for food. And probably the reason that trout are staying deeper to feed on them and not rising to flies.
4. Has the minister given any thought to the added tensions that will exist on the bank between both angling disciplines and will he take responsibility for the inevitable outcome.
5. Does the minister think that pike anglers are just going to accept this change in legislation sitting down.
6. Does the minister realize that pike anglers generally put back trout that are by catch and that they have not stooped to the level of anglers that hang pike from trees. I would have little faith in that continuing countrywide if the proposed legislation is passed.

I could go on and on here , but i feel like i`m just banging my head against the wall. As i feel this is just a numbers exercise and the decision is already made. But i will say that this is not going to play out well for both species of fish or both sets of anglers , the tourism sector or the general tax payer. For a short term gain by the minister will lead to a long term disaster for the country.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 00:39
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed pike bylaw

I'm writing to you this evening in regard to the actions of 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 Sean Kyne.

Last Friday evening 4th May 2018 the Minister made his intention to bring in new by-laws in 28 days time regarding pike in the western Loughs. Included within these by-laws it would be permitted for any one angler to kill four pike of any size in a 24hr period.

Currently Inland fisheries Ireland are tasked with managing fisheries in this jurisdiction. They are carrying out a review of pike management ongoing since 2016, of which they had asked all interested parties to take part in. This review is being funded by the tax payer through inland fisheries Ireland and is taking some time but is nearing completion.

Unfortunately Minister Sean Kyne has decided not to wait for this review to be complete and has instead ignored all current expertise, and recommendations. I believe Minister Kyne is pre-empting this review to appease a very vocal local lobby in his own constituency.

These fisheries are owned by the people of Ireland and not by Minister Kyne, or indeed by local lobby groups. Minister Kyne should at least show consideration, and wait for the review to be complete and see what recommendations are forthcoming which may satisfy some if not all parties.

If these proposals are passed the damage done in the short term could take generations and great cost to repair. These damages would not only be to the fisheries but to our reputation abroad and also to angling tourism.

I would ask that you as an elected official do what you can to stop Minister Kyne pushing a local constituency agenda onto the national stage. Inland fisheries Ireland were set up to manage our waterways for the good of the country and they should be left to do their job without political interference. Inland Fisheries were not advised of Minister Kynes intentions until they received notification from anglers and fishing clubs nationwide querying their opinion on the proposals put forward.

My personal opinion on these proposals and Minister Kynes timing is that he is trying to have them passed whilst the current referendum on the 8th amendment is in full swing. I find this abhorrent that Minister Kyne would try to deceive the electorate in such a manner and attempt to hoodwink the people of Ireland and indeed his colleagues within Leinster House.

I would be happy to discuss the above issue with you directly if you require any further information and I would ask that you deal with this as a matter of urgency.

Ps. Angling is worth €750m to the Irish economy <https://www.fisheriesireland.ie/Press-releases/new-study-angling-worth-075-billion-to-irish-economy-and-supporting-10000-jobs-in-rural-ireland.html>

Regards,


Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2013 07:20
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed Pike bye law

I totally object to this proposed bye law where it will be legal to kill 4 pike to any size this law will have serious consequences on our sport and our fisheries removing the apex predator from OUR loughs will not benefit us the people of Ireland and anglers alike it will damage angling tourism and more importantly future generations of anglers will suffer the consequences. I don't understand how or why ye want to do this to keep a select few "anglers" happy? What about the rest of us tax payers paying to destroy our wonderful sport when our hard earned money could be put to much better use. Please do not let this ridiculous proposal go through as the governing body over our fisheries ye are responsible for the protection of our waterways and this is a clear threat to them.

Concerned Angler
For future anglers
[REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 12:26
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Sir

I am writing to register an objection to the above bye-law which would allow the taking of up to 4 pike per day.

Fish stocks including pike must be protected as they play a vital part in the ecosystem and also contribute hugely to tourism revenue. Please encourage catch and release of all Fish and not slaughter

Regards

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Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 May 2018 14:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public consultation: Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law

To whom it concerns.

I disagree with the proposed new bye_law to allow for the removal of 4 pike of any size on the waters listed under designated Salmonid waters. Some IFI research where pike were removed from water courses which have established pike and trout populations has shown that trout numbers still did not increase. Perhaps more work should be done to improve water quality and spawning stream for Salmonids.

Also recent genetic study done by IFI on lough Owel showed that 30% of the trout sampled were wild native trout. Pike management has not been carried out on Lough Owel for the past decade and yet good sized trout (both stockies and wild) are still caught every year. The same can also be said for lough Ennell which provides great pike and trout fishing when the fish are feeding.

I Believe pike management should only be considered on waterways where pike have been recently introduced (e.g. the last 5 years) to a salmonid fishery. This is opinion is based on the fact that we need better biosecurity in Ireland.

Finally I feel that a bye law similar to the current pike bye law 809 of 2006 should be implemented with trout allowing the keeping of one trout up to 50cm long etc. Trout Competitions should be catch and release using measuring boards with the days date printed on them and the fish should be photo'd in the boats to confirm the lengths.

I oppose this proposed bye law on the basis that it will ultimately impact fish other than the trout it aims to protect.

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From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 12:34
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultation Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Regards,
[REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 12:15
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public consultation designated salmonid waters bye law 2018

To whom it may concern

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed bye law, My reasons being
IFIs own scientists testing of pike has proven them to be a native species but is is being ignored by the
minister to garner a few votes in his local constituency to the detriment of Ireland's good name as a tourist
destination for angling

Why should pike be culled to protect brown trout from predators when the biggest predator of brown trout is
the fishermen who fish for them.,

Why isn't there a bag limit on the amount of brown trout that can be taken in a single day, and an end to kill
a weigh competitions.

Please can ifi and the minister name all the tributaries and feeder rivers covered by this proposed legislation
as i believe this has a much wider catchment then the public are being led to believe,

Can it be proven that removing apex predators from their natural environment actually makes a difference
for the better,

If there are no predators left i believe that it will only lead to an ecological time bomb as diseased fish will
be left unchecked to spread it to the whole population,(the lough in cork could be an example of a place
with no apex predators) also numbers of course fish will boom and compete for the same food as the fish
this is supposed to be protecting .

Im all for the protection of brown trout.but not by means of persecution of another species who,s only crime
is being misunderstood by so called anglers who bang everything on the head while their neighbours in the
farming community pollute the lakes and rivers with agricultural run off which leads to silting of spawning
grounds leaving no gravel beds. Brown trout need protection but dont look for a scapegoat in the pike when
human interference in the natural environment is the root cause of the problem

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Regards 

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 23 May 2018 16:55
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Fwd: 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 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.....

Look forward to your reply



Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 21 May 2018 18:00
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Fwd: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Looking forward to your reply.



Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 13:12
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: ensko@eircom.net
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

A Chairde,

I wish to register my opposition to the Designated Salmonid Water Bye-Law 2018.

The allowance of a daily bag limit of 4 pike, of any size, from the named waters, is inconsistent and contrary to previous national fisheries protection legislation concerning the taking of pike.

The decline in salmonid fish stocks in the named waters has come about due to a number of factors.

A prime example is excessive daily bag limits for trout, particularly in the catch and kill competitions which are a regular feature on these waters.

There are other reasons that can be highlighted in relation to the deterioration of spawning rivers: eutrophication; nutrient run-off; siltation to name a few.

If the Minister is serious about the preservation of these stocks then the logical step is to introduce a strict catch and release policy for all salmonids caught in these named waters.

Such a measure will lead to an immediate improvement on the stock.

It is important to note that these named waters contain healthy stocks of coarse fish and the removal of pike from these waters will only result in an explosion of coarse fish numbers, possibly putting further pressure on salmonid stocks.

This proposed by-law is a pointless and ill-informed proposal that will not lead to any improvement in salmonid stocks, is repugnant to existing legislation, and will encourage the killing of more fish (salmonid, pike and coarse) in what are already pressurized waters.

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 11 May 2018 10:53
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: sean.kyne@oir.ie
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Sirs,

I wish to lodge my formal objection the proposed Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law.

I am a trout angler myself and am an active member of a number of trout angling and conservation clubs, such as; Clonbur Anglers, Kilbeg Anglers, Lough Bane Anglers' Association, County Wicklow Anglers' Association.

Through my membership with Clonbur Anglers, I keep a boat at Rosshill Bay near Clonbur and through Kilbeg Anglers I have kept a boat at Kilbeg Pier. As such, I have been a frequent visitor to the area for almost 30 years. During that time, I have seen many changes in the quality of the angling in the area, with good times and bad times alike. Sadly, in more recent years, the bad times have overtaken the good. My principal reasons for objecting to the proposed bye-law are as follows:

- This bye-law is completely contrary to Bye-Law 809 - 2006, which is effectively a fish conservation law. of which there should be more and not less.
- The Minister did not consult with Inland Fisheries Ireland regarding the content of this proposed bye-law.
- The Minister did not await the results of Review of Pike Management on Designated Wild Brown Trout Fisheries. This review is supposed to provide the IFI with scientific based information and guide the Department on future Pike Management Policy.
- Over the almost 30 years that I have been fishing the Western and Midland Loughs of Ireland for Brown Trout, Pike management by way of gill netting and electro fishing has always taken place. The scientific data that has been gathered by the IFI, indicates that pike management shows no observable benefit to trout numbers, biomass or to trout angling in general. At the same time, it has shown that coarse fish species have increased by more than 100 fold. These coarse fish compete directly with trout for food and habitat and from my experience, pose a serious threat to trout and trout angling.
- This Bye-Law well open the door to the 'catch-and-kill' anglers who have done so much damage to angling in general in Ireland. Typically, these anglers drive around in rubber dinghies with scant regard for rules, regulations and the law of the land in general. They have plagued Lough Lene, Collinstown, in recent years, where they catch and kill large numbers of both trout and pike, both in season and outside the legal trout fishing season (in fact the Minister had to introduce a Bye-Law only last year to help with protecting this lake from wholesale poaching). They rarely wear life jackets, posing a danger not only to themselves, but to other water users and regularly leave large amounts of litter behind them after their day on the lake.
- All-in-all I can see no valid reason for the introduction of this Bye-Law, save for the fact that it is driven by pressure from a lobby group from within the Minister's own constituency. And so, my final reason for objecting to this, is that it smacks of 'Parish Pump' Politics.

Yours in Trout Angling,

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 11 May 2018 19:15
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To IFI\Minister Sean Kyne,

I completely oppose the proposed Bye-Law, I specifically oppose the proposal to allow the killing of 4 pike of any size on certain salmonid fisheries, to allow killing of 4 pike of any size on the western lakes such as Corrib,Mask,Conn etc would be a completely counter productive measure. Inland Fisheries Irelands own data on lough Corrib as per the 2012 Survey indicates that trout stocks have not increased even though there has been for consecutive years the practice of pike culling. As per the 2012 survey pike numbers have not increased since 1996. for the same period that been No recovery in trout numbers, showing that controlling pike numbers in lough Corrib has been a waste of tax payers money.

So maybe there are other factors at play which is affecting the stock of trout in lough corrib, ones that are not easily addressed like water quality\climate change\invasive aqautic plants.

In fact there are several studies showing the negative effects of climate change on salmonoid habitatd

Stocks of coarse fish have certainly increased, with the 2012 survey showing increases in the following species; perch,roach, bream, hybrids.

these species are competeing with trout for the available food in Lough Corrib.

Basically the Pike is being used as a scapeboat and wrongly identified as the cause of lower stocks of salmon and trout.

Rgds,



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 14 May 2018 10:55
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

To whom it may concern,

I would like to oppose the Bye-Law suggested by Mr Sean Kyne, as in my belief it would have a detrimental affect the health of a native species of Ireland.

Potentially killing so many of these fish would have a negative impact upon the entire fisheries ecosystem, and may even be exploited by some, as it would allow almost 30 fish to be removed from the water a week per person.

Regards,



Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 May 2018 13:56
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Lodgement of objection to Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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[REDACTED] formally lodge my objection to the Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018,. It is short sighted and goes against all research of the effects of *Esox Lucius* on the Salmon and Trout numbers in the waterways mentioned in the Bye-Law.

Yours Sincerely

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 21:43
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike bye law objection

Categories: Red Category

I am writing to give an objection to the new pike bye law in the west lakes that minister kyne is about propose.. 4 pike per day of any size per angler is absalutley beyond rediculous.. 1 pike per day is bad enough .. i fish for trout in season and also pike in winter and it is very wrong putting this bye law into place as it is opening the window for poachers also and will destroy the west lakes in the near future for trout and salmon.. water quality will get worse.. sick fish will stay sick die and wrot at the bottom of the lake ... roach, bream , perch and other species will thrive , competing for food and out numbering trout and salmon which will destroy the game fishing in the west if there is no controle over the other species which the pike naturally do and they also control their own species by eating younger pike ... this is a very bad move he is about to make .. hopefully mr. kyne sees some sence and corrects this decision .. regards glenn

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 05 May 2018 13:14
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike Bye law

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Categories: Red Category

Dear sir/madam,

I will keep this message brief. In the past I was a frequent visitor to your beautiful country, my motivation being fishing for Pike in what were the greatest natural fisheries in the world. This changed in the late 90's when Pike were persecuted in the western loughs. A policy that flies against accepted fishery management world wide and makes the body responsible a laughing stock. This latest bye law proposal means I won't be contributing to your economy again any time soon. How many thousands of others do you suppose think like me?

Yours Faithfully

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 20:51
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike by laws

Categories: Red Category

To whom it my concern i am writing to you in regards to minister sean kyne bringing in new pike by law for killing 4 fish in 1 day of any size is just crazy why wont the minister look at all the recent research mostly carried out by your selfs why wont the minister even listen to the other people involved with these to back up our facts we all know there are many reasons why trout numbers havr fallen and pike would be on the bottom of that list its just suppose its handy option to blame the pike if this law is past they will ruin it for us all i fish some off these waters mostly in winter when b&b very quiet use pike anglers would stay there on many occasions so if this is past fishing in these stunning lakes in the west will be no more also i wonder has the minister seen all the trout that are killed from there competitions then hung up on fences to show madness and then the reason for all this is for local votes the minister should be ashamed of himself also i will be contacting my local TDs on this subject i could write so much more but im getting more annoyed the more i write i would like a responce from yourselfs to confirm you recived my email

Regards

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 21 May 2018 20:26
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike bag limit

Categories: Red Category

Dear Minister

Please rethink the proposal to. Increase the Pike bag limit from one to four Pike per day. In an age where tourist anglers spend big money on good angling, it is short sighted and counter productive.

Fishing in Ireland is only a shadow of its former self. Let's not worsen things. No one in this country needs to go home with four fish per day. Conservation is the new way forward.

As a matter of interest I am just back from a fishing holiday in Spain, and the previous two years was Canada. Not one fish was killed.

Regards

Sent from my iPad

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 20 May 2018 16:35
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike are predators

Categories: Red Category

It will be to the detriment of the Great Lakes if pike are not culled or moved to smaller waters which inland fisheries could stock and turn a profit there are numerous lakes around Westport which have a name for being pike lakes
Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 22:41
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Red Category

Hi I think the change in the pike bylaw is not a good it will have big effect on nature in the lakes pluse pike fishing is bring a lot of revenue to the country

Regards . .

Phone

Email

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 20:34
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike

Categories: Red Category

I object in the strongest possible terms re by the law to kill four pike per day

Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 May 2018 20:12
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike

Categories: Red Category

Hi there,

As a fisherwoman who has enjoyed both trout and pike fishing for years I am shocked at your latest proposal in regards pike culling,

It is not the pike killing trout,,, it is the lack of care for our rivers and lakes and lack restocking trout that has numerous down.

I live in Galway city and on many occasions I have seen fish been taken from the river at a tiny size, I have confronted some of these people to explain that they are too small,,,, the most common reply I get is that they are good for a fish pie, (every time with a foreign accents) what do the care they won't be here when there is no fish left.

We already have a problem,, if this is introduced we will have no pike in a very short time,

I don't know seriously how ye think this is a good idea,

Pike tourism is huge in Ireland and the catch and release works well.

But what the hell, let the big suits drain the parteen basin, lower the Derg so fish can't spawn, change the direction of the flow and sure while we are at it clean out all the lakes of our native pike,

Seriously have another think guys.

A troubled fisherwoman

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 14 May 2018 23:14
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Opposition 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 pretend 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,

Catriona Brady

From: <[redacted]@il.com>
Sent: 24 May 2018 17:23
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Opposition to opposed bye law changes
Categories: Red Category

To whom it may concern

I wish to express my opposition to the proposed fishery bye law changes proposed but Mr Sean Kyne TD

I not believe that only focusing on salmonid species will be of benefit to the wider Fishery ecosystem.

I believe that pike play an important part in the wider ecosystem and as a proponent of catch and release for all fish I believe a bag limit on pike of tantamount to treating them as a lesser species and getting the public to do the culling, which IFI would perhaps rather not do. Pike are not generally seen as a table fish and should not be treated as such.

I think investment in other angling initiatives, fishery management in a balanced way and ongoing protection off existing fisheries should be a priority.

This change would clearly mark Ireland out as having a narrow focus on salmonid angling which would affect the wider pike and coarse angling tourism in the rest of the country leading to an overall reduction in tourism revenue.

It is both a backwards step and environmental vandalism which offers little or no gain in the long term.

Yours sincerely,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 17:24
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objections to proposed changes to bye law

Categories: Red Category

I would like to object to the proposed amendment to the bye-law allowing the killing of 4 pike per day on 'designated trout fisheries'. This is shocking proposal that is against scientific research concluded as recent as a few years ago only. This also goes against currently undertaken research and consultation in relation to protection of pike in Ireland. The lack of size restrictions will allow the killing of specimen pike, impacting on angling tourism and having a negative impact on our international reputation as an angling venue. The lack of restriction on the total number of pike killed on an annual basis will have the potential to seriously unbalance the ecosystem of these lakes, with a potential explosion in the numbers of coarse fish. This in turn not only won't help to grow numbers of trout and salmon but by increase food competition and lack of coarse fish control by apex predator, will significantly unbalance the eco-system leading to large scale decline of number of trout and salmon. This will also create precedence for poaching across other inland venues, not included in this bye-law. This bye-law is also proposed without scientific evidence or justification, and could be seen as a cynical exercise by the Minster to secure votes in his local constituency. The bye-law purports to relate to trout management yet no measures are proposed to reduce the number of mature trout that are taken in the numerous "catch and kill" competitions held on these waters. The very last type of trout protection anyone could think of is mass kill of another species – measures must be taken to protect said trout, not to kill other species.

It is my opinion that this bye law is not backed by credible peer reviewed scientific evidence, is short sighted and likely to be counterproductive.

Ireland's reputation has already been badly damaged internationally by decades of poor policies regarding the management of its prime waters. These proposed measures will even further damage Ireland's reputation and will surely see the end of any and all coarse & pike angling tourism.

I await your response.

Regards,

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 22:46
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objections to new Pike bye-laws

Categories: Red Category

Hello,

I wish to lodge a complaint against the new pike bye-laws proposed by Minister Kyne. Currently Inland Fisheries Ireland are tasked with managing fisheries in this jurisdiction. They are carrying out a review of pike management ongoing since 2016, of which they had asked all interested parties to take part in. This review is being funded by the tax payer through Inland Fisheries Ireland and is taking some time but is nearing completion.

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If these proposals are passed the damage done in the short term could take generations and great cost to repair. These damages would not only be to the fisheries but to our reputation abroad and also to angling tourism.

I have already spoke to numerous anglers from around Europe and they have stated that if this new bye-law is passed they will never return to fish in Ireland, which in return will directly effect people in the tourism trade.

Also Pike have been classed as a native species to Ireland in the 2013 report. By allowing any angler to kill 4 pike, of any size will have a diastorous effect on the lakes. Roach, perch and other coarse species will multiply at a fast rate, these species will also compete for the same food source as trout and even the young trout will become a food source.

These lakes have survived for thousands of years with nature looking after there stocks.

I find it very disturbing that IFI would allow minister Kyne to pass such bye-laws to keep a few of his local buddies happy to try and gain more votes for a possible election in the near future.

Many many anglers, even trout anglers are against these bye-laws being brought in.

What are IFI doing to protect our natural fish stocks?

Regards,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 14 May 2018 22:44
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objection to the Salmonoid 'protection' Bye law

Categories: Red Category

Hi,
This is an email objecting the implementation of the proposed bye law in relation to the salmonoid waters. The proposed bye law allowing anglers to remove pike and other fish of any size will prove detrimental to said fisheries. I am a keen angler, trout and salmon fishing included (was salmon fishing with a licence Saturday just gone on the river moy). I can't believe what I am reading. Anglers from specific clubs of the West of Ireland who have no scientific knowledge have pressed for such a bye law to be implemented. I suggest that the marine institute be consulted in relation to this issue as they too will agree that the pike allegedly invasive to these waters are not invasive and removing them is both unjust, and will lead to the demise of the trout and salmonoid fisheries.
Regards,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 15:19
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objection to the proposed New Pike Bye Law.

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Categories: Red Category

Dear Sir/ Madam

As a pike angler, I strongly object to Minister Sean Kyne's proposed new bye law in regard to the introduction of daily bag limit of 4 pike (any size) on certain lakes.

Is anyone in IFI aware of the amount of pike anglers, both Irish and International that spend millions of euro each year in pursuit of their sport.

Also, is the minister or anyone in the IFI aware that it has been scientifically proven that pike have been recognised as being native to Ireland :

<https://www.fisheriesireland.ie/documents/444-pikelaymansreport.html>

I fish throughout Ireland all year round for this top level sports fish and am appalled that if this bye law is enacted, it will decimate the already endangered stocks of pike that are legally slaughtered by gill nets and other methods deployed by the IFI. This eradication, coupled with the relentless poaching and illegal taking of a natural resource that generates such tourism revenues is a total disgrace.

Kind Regards,

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From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 15:23
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objection to the Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Categories: Red Category

Dear Sirs,

I am emailing to outline my objection to the proposed draft bill permitting the pike culling of 4 pike per day. Its outrageous to believe that this alone with protect trout numbers in these lakes.

If you restricted the quantity of trout permitted to be taken on a daily basis from these waters this would contribute to the protection of trout in these lakes.

For instance, the removal of pike permits the growth of perch and roach to unnatural specimen sizes and population quantities as there is a reduction in pike numbers to prey on roach and perch.

Lough Sheelin is a prime example, roach and perch have over run this lake and you can catch specimen size fish easily as the pike being pulled out in previous years to protect trout.

Rather than considering only local fishery board demands, it would be wise to consider the long term effects on the other fish numbers and sizes which damages the quality of fishing and allows perch and roach to over take pike and trout species.

Thank you

Kind Regards,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 19.11
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objection to the bye law on pike.

Categories: Red Category

To whom it may concern.

I completely object to this ridiculous bye law that is trying to be passed towards the removal of pike from the waters ye have stated...

I am a very keen trout and pike angler and if this law is passed ye will have made a huge mistake. Some of these lakes are connected to one of the largest river systems in the country and please please use your heads and do the right thing and scrap this stupid bye law and let the eco system do it's own thing.

Pike is a hugely popular sport fish which attracts anglers from all over the world to here Ireland one of the best pike countries in the world.

Use your heads and the country could benefit by promoting the pike fishing and a strict catch n release policy as well.

I hope ye make the right decision.

Yours faithfully

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 10 May 2018 00:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc:
Subject: objection to the Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Categories: Red Category

I'm writing to you this evening in regard to the actions of 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 Sean Kyne.

I totally object to the proposed Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018.

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Regards
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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 25 May 2018 01.12
To: sean.kyne@oir.ie; Inland Fisheries
Subject: Objection to Proposed introduction of Pike Bye Law 2018
Categories: Red Category

Dear Minister Kyne,

I am writing to you in relation to proposed introduction of the salmonid waters bye law 2018 on loughs Corrib, Mask, Conn, Cullin, Arrow and Sheelin. As an avid fisherman of both salmonid species (trout and salmon) and pike, a scientist and a life long Fine Gael supporter I am deeply concerned at this proposition.

I believe the introduction of this bye law will be disastrous for a number of reasons.

Firstly, the scientific basis for the introduction of this bye law is completely unfounded by scientific evidence. The theory that limiting pike numbers on large wild waters fed by numerous rivers and streams results in increased trout|salmon populations is not supported by the literature (Doomsday Book of Mammoth, F Buller, 1979). I am unaware of any randomised controlled trials or meta analysis supporting this? Perhaps you can forward the reading list which formed the basis of the proposed bye law.

Secondly, the great western loughs are world renown as both excellent trout and pike waters, drawing millions of euro annually in tourism to Ireland and in particular to the local communities in these areas. There are records of forty six 35lb+ pike caught on Lough Mask between 1991 and 2004, an astonishing ten records of 40lb pike caught on Lough Conn (Mammoth Pike, N. Fickling, Lucebaits Publishing, 2004). A specimen pike is 20lb. Few countries other than ours can claim this. To attempt to promote one natural occurring species in these waters at the expense of another is surely a futile and foolhardy exercise?

Based on the above, I can only disagree wholeheartedly with the introduction of this bye law. I will be writing to Mr Peter Burke, my local Fine Gael TD to further stress this.

I look forward to receiving a respond from you. I am available at this email for further correspondence or in person as I will happily meet you to discuss this matter further.

Highest regards,

Yours sincerely,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 12:44
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: FW:Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018 MICHAEL CHOLM MacGIOLLAEASBUIG (COUNCILLOR)

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"TWO SLABS, TWO NATIVE SPECIES, ONE WATER, LOUGH CORRIB

If you do not voice your opposition to Minister Sean Kyne's proposed bye law these images will be common place.

The bye law is being introduced as a "conservation measure" for the protection of wild brown trout. Minister Kyne has not proposed to reduce the bag limit for trout, he has not imposed a full catch and release policy on current catch and kill trout competitions, he has not put forward a proposal for full catch and release during the mayfly season when trout are most vulnerable. Why has the Minister not proposed these measures for trout conservation as part of this public consultation into a bye law with the objective of trout conservation?? He would be ousted from his constituency thats why!

Perhaps these measures need to be proposed by those submitting recommendations? Pike removal does not work, opinions may vary but the data does not lie!

It is clear that the 4 pike bag limit is being pushed by some of his constituents and trout angling representatives (see previous post). It would appear Minister Kyne is putting the interests of his local electorate ahead of the national interest. This issue is too important for parish pump politics.

Voice your opposition, inform you local TD and represent your view to Failte Ireland. Don't let these images become the norm."

Sent from my iPhone

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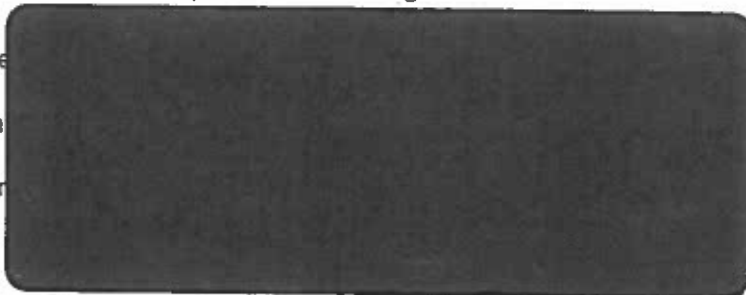
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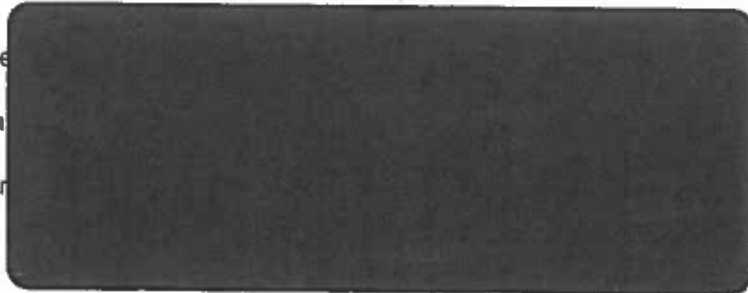
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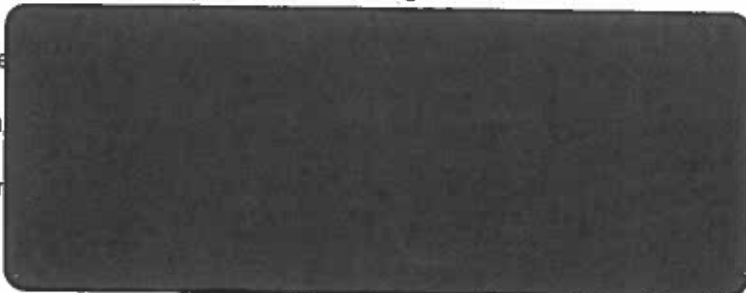
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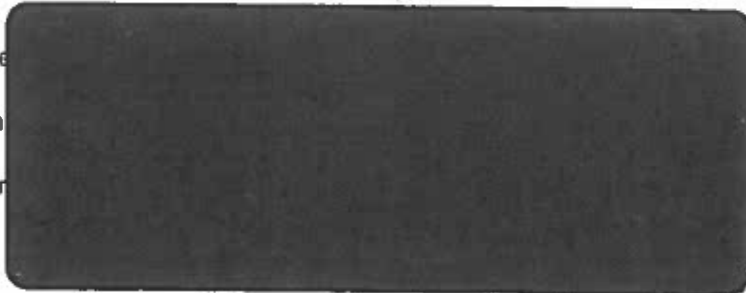
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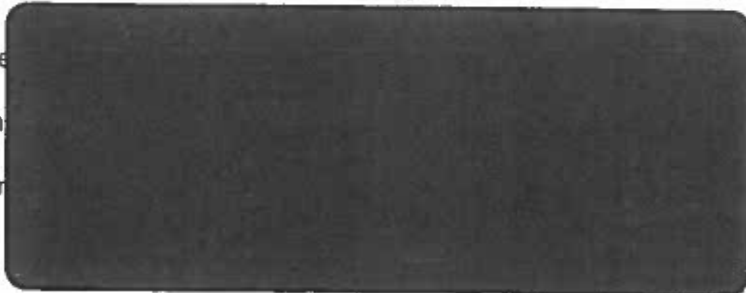
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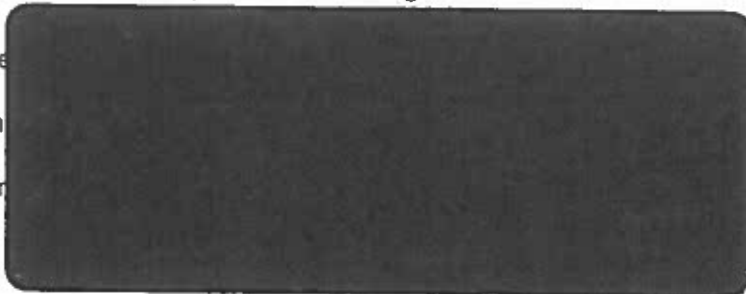
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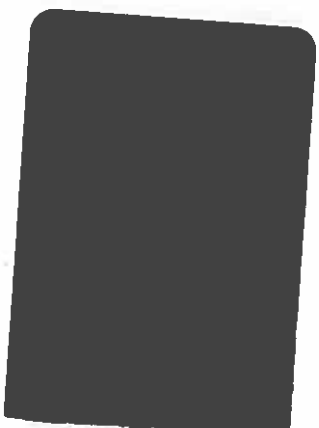
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Earlvale Road
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Ireland

Re: Designated salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Minister,

We as members of the Bráitreact na Coiribe fishing club 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



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Sent: 06 May 2018 00:32
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Bye laws

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From:
Sent: 24 May 2018 17:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: Gerry Clerkin
Subject: FW: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

From: Geraldine Luddy
Sent: 24 May 2018 15:35
To: Denis Maher; Pat Smyth; Mary Rabbitte
Subject: FW: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

Dear All

Another one.

Geraldine

Geraldine Luddy, Higher Executive Officer
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From: Minister Kyne
Sent: 24 May 2018 15:34
To: Inland_Fisheries
Subject: FW: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

From: [REDACTED]
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

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 18:30
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: By law 2018

To whom it may concern, 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'. 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 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. Yours Sincerely

Inland Fisheries Division
Dept. of Communications, Climate Action and Environment,
Elm House
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Re: Public Consultation - Draft Designated Salmonid Waters bye-law 2018

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Signed

Name

Address

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 15 May 2018 10:17
To: Inland Fisheries; ciara.sugrue@failteireland.ie; fionnan.nestor@failteireland.ie; shane.ross@oireachtas.ie; heather.humphreys@oir.ie; tony.mcloughlin@oir.ie; leo.varadkar@oir.ie; michael.ring@oir.ie; frank.feighan@oir.ie; sean.kyne@oir.ie
Subject: proposed new by-law

Dear Madams/Sirs,

I am writing to you to let you know that I wish to hereby object in the strongest possible way to the proposals of allowing the killing of four pike of any size in the so-called "Designated Salmonid Waters", as proposed by Minister Sean Kyne.

Introducing a by-law such as that, while there is a process in place to review the already controversial other pike control measures such as Gill netting on those lakes, is in my opinion an insult to democracy!

I strongly believe that pike are, at the very least naturalised in those lakes and recent research suggests they are native as much as any other fish. Destroying a natural resource with huge recreational and economic value seems a pretty dumb idea.

I too, as much as anybody, want to see healthy stocks of brown trout and salmon in the Western lakes, but not at the expense of pike.

There are other, more effective ways to enhance salmonid stocks, by reducing pollution, enhancing spawning areas, sensible angling bag limits, banning of kill angling competitions, addressing cormorant predation,...

I am a professional angling guide and have been guiding anglers from all over the world since 2001. Together with my wife I also operate a small B&B (Failte Ireland approved) and we depend on anglers coming to Ireland looking to catch pike. One of the waters I occasionally guide on is Lough Arrow and while there are other pike holding lakes in my area, I would depend on having access to pike fishing on Lough Arrow, as there are not infinite amounts of pike elsewhere...

Angling tourism plays a vital role in the rural economy of Ireland, it's potential should be enhanced and not reduced! This directly impacts on my business and the rural economy of Ireland.

I would appeal to you to help stop this proposed new by-law being en-acted, but instead would urge you to liaise with all stakeholders and come to a solution that would enhance angling opportunities for all anglers in all waters across Ireland.

Best Regards,

A large black rectangular redaction box covering the signature and name of the sender.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 15:55
To: sean.kyne@oir.ie; Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed by-law opposition

Dear Minister Sean Kyne,

I am writing to you to express my deep opposition to the proposed by-law that enables anglers to keep pike of any size on "designated brown trout fisheries". 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.

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,



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 06 May 2018 10:09
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed bye-laws

To whom it my concern,

I would like to say I'm totally apposed to the DESIGNATED SALMONID WATERS BYE-LAW NO. XXX, 2018 section 6 that allows 4 pike to be taken daily. Pike should be catch and release.

It's is not in the interests of the sport or tourism to allow this to happen.

Poaching already has a negative affect on pike fishing as it is and this bye-law would just add to that.

Regards

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 07 May 2018 15:59
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed byelaw on trout waters

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to protest in the strongest possible terms against the byelaw being proposed by Sean Kyne TD, which will allow four pike of any size to be killed per day on the so called 'trout waters' in Ireland. This is just another step on the way to completely destroying the natural balance on these loughs in a misguided effort to 'improve the trout fishing'. The real reason the trout fishing has declined on these waters is the continuing decrease in water quality and over fishing and killing of trout. The fisheries board have recognised that the pike is a native species and yet continue to try and destroy these fish . Leave the pike alone and concentrate on the real reasons that these loughs are dying.

Your Sincerely



Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 May 2018 00:24
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed byelaw change for Loughs Corrib, Sheelin, Mask, Carra, Conn, Cullin and Arrow

Dear Sirs

I wish to register my support of the proposed byelaw change for Loughs Corrib, Sheelin, Mask, Carra, Conn, Cullin and Arrow to be managed primarily for the benefit of salmonid species.

If I need to take any further action in this regard please let me know.

Yours sincerely

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 25 May 2018 00:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Hi,

I would like to add my support to this proposed bye-law.

As a resident along the Glann shore of Lough Corrib, I have spent a lot of time on the lake and deeply value its importance. This, despite not being an active angler. In fact, I am a keen photographer, and have spent many hours on the shores and water trying to capture textures and shapes.

The rest of my family do fish, for trout, by fly, (my brother just returned an hour ago with a fine stump caught on the dap) and for generations my dad's family have done likewise. It's not that long ago that fishing the Corrib was more than a 'hobby'. The 15th of February has been a huge date on the calendar for as long as I can remember. I don't think there are many communities where a date like that means so much. This isn't a community formed by a shared pursuit of catching a bigger fish; it's a community built from generations of life: everyone here is connected to the lake.

Personally, I have no malice towards pike and am not impressed by the frankly toxic nature of discourse that is creating a pike versus trout polarization. It seems that our social environments now feed off these polarizations and make real argument impossible. The focus needs to be on conservation and heritage.

I believe that strong actions backed by government support with popular local backing will be a great help in guarding these lakes and their value for future generations.

Whatever about the management of lakes like the Corrib, actions that seem to have occurred, where fish were introduced maliciously into connected lakes and rivers that they had previously not been found in, are criminal and need to be fully regarded as so. The ecosystems in the midst of all of our human interference and development are already in a fragile state. From flushing pondweed into bays, and zebra mussels out of visiting boats, to the growth of housing and destruction of natural habitat along shores and basins and general state of endless consumption, we humans interfere in a massive way.

From my limited experience, Ireland is still stuck in a position where it takes its 'greenness' and wilderness for granted, and follows only (EU) regulations that lead to funding or fines. Intrinsic value in the environment itself is lacking. We ask 'what can we use it for?'. We see firewood instead of trees and sites for houses instead of valuable habitat.

In any case, I would argue that a healthy population of trout and salmon and well managed fishing rights should be a common and recognised priority at all levels. I believe that a sense of community ownership for incredible lakes like the Corrib, and official designation in whatever shape of form to promote it, can be a useful tool at a time when we really have to get a handle on how we affect our environment.

I have a feeling that you have received a flood of emails on the subject. I know of at least one pike angling club (Dublin) with an online form designed to send as many as possible, promoted via Facebook. I expect debate via these emails may be reduced to a count, or perhaps sheaves of printed paper to indicate heft rather than clarity.

The inland fisheries are hugely important to the safekeeping of lakes and rivers, and long may they continue the work.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 05 May 2018 06:17
To: Inland Fisheries
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 !

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 14 May 2018 21:50
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Regards pike fishing

I would like to know what your stance is on Minister Kyne's proposed culling. It's all flawed. I pay to fish the Shannon system. Carp, pike, tench, bream and trout. Why will I bother paying for this? If you allow his proposal to carry through, I'll be recommending to anglers not to pay. The fish I target is not being protected as it is. Now this. I also run an English forum with over 4,000 members. I will recommend that they don't come over anymore. As it is, I have lads coming over to fish. Year by year they stop coming. You promote tourism by using pike fishing. How about doing something about it and help. I'll look forward to your reply.
Thank you.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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From:
Sent: 06 May 2018 00:37
To: Inland Fisheries

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From:
Sent: 19 May 2018 17:40
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Public consultations about salmonid waters by law 2019

Dear Sir,

As a keen tourist angler travelling to Ireland spending up to 2 weeks every year I would like to express my concerns on the proposition to allow killing of 4 pikes per day in the designated Salmonid waters.

I believe the sad example of France is an indication as to what Irish loughs and rivers will look like within a short time. A fishing desert.

I believe the issues on salmonids could be dealt without having to kill pike. The pike regulates itself and helps at maintaining a healthy salmonid population. Salmonids suffer from pollution, commercial fishing and over fishing from recreational trout anglers impacting population far more than natural predation from pike.

Pike fishing attracts thousands of tourist angler every year who spend at least 2000€ each minimum on their trip in guides, boat hire, lodging and food.

Please consider my concerns and point of views.

Should the new law would be in force in the future I shall divert my angling trips over to Scotland instead.

Best regards,





24/5/18

Re: proposed Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to you in strong opposition to the proposed bylaw introduction by Minister for State for Community Development, Natural Resources (including Inland Fisheries) and Digital Development Seán Kyne which seeks to allow the taking of **four pike per angler in any one day of any size** on the seven designated wild brown trout lakes of Corrib, Mask, Conn, Cullin, Carra, Sheelin & Arrow and their tributaries. I oppose this proposal for several key reasons, primarily on scientific grounds. The current Conservation of Pike bylaw no. 805 (2006) applies to all freshwater bodies in Ireland and allows an angler to take a single pike per day $\leq 50\text{cm}$ in length. This existing bylaw is cognisant of the fact that pike are an apex predator and therefore play an integral, vital role in maintaining a healthy, balanced freshwater ecosystems (where present).

The removal of pike from an ecosystem, be it via angling or management efforts (i.e. netting, electro-fishing), has been employed for decades on the aforementioned designated wild brown trout fisheries under the pretext that reducing numbers of predatory fish (pike) improves trout abundances and overall stocks. However, evidently this approach has not worked - I refer you here to the Inland Fisheries Ireland pike management data obtained under FOI requests and presented by the Irish Pike Society (2017).

There are many cases from IFI data which I could use to illustrate my points. For example, in Lough Corrib between 1961 and 1979 pike biomass due to gill netting operations remained relatively static (c. 6t) despite the overall pike abundance significantly increasing from 5000 (1961) to 13,000 (1979) – this is a clear indication of what the removal of larger pike results in; an *increase* in juvenile pike. Simultaneously, the trout abundances inadvertently caught in gill nets over this period significantly *reduced* (3035 to 543), suggesting that pike removal does not cause trout populations to increase. This same pattern has been highlighted time and time again in the scientific literature.

Perhaps more pertinently, the fish survey report for Lough Corrib (O Grady & Delanty, 2012) empirically proved that 15 years of intensive pike management operations on this lake (from 1997 to 2012) had no beneficial effect to the overall wild brown trout population. The CPUE value for pike decreased significantly by 48.9%, whilst the CPUE value for brown trout also decreased by over 21%. The official objective of pike management operations is allegedly to reduce predation by pike on trout and hence observe an increase in the trout stock. However, in the case of Lough Corrib, the trout population declined by almost a quarter from 1997-2012 even though the pike population was effectively halved in the same period. The CPUE values for perch (*Perca fluviatilis*; also predatory when large) increased by an astonishing 3400% during this period of pike management, whereas the CPUE values for roach (*Rutilus rutilus*) and roach/bream hybrids increased by 15.9% and 908%, respectively. Again, evidently, removal of pike (especially larger females, by whatever method can, and does, cause a large shift in the fish population dynamics of a fishery and is of distinct disadvantage to wild brown trout via increased competition for food resources and increased predation.

The scientific community has seen this same pattern recurrently in relation to pike management; removal of pike (especially larger individuals, as targeted in Minister Kynes new bylaw proposal) not only reduces intra-specific predation on juvenile pike (thus somewhat counter-intuitively *increasing* pike numbers) but it also reduces predation pressures and top-down control on prey species such as roach and perch. Whilst an increase in roach and or perch populations does not interfere with salmonid spawning success directly (a major cause for concern, of course, in many Irish catchments),

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 16:10
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: sean.kyne@oireachtas.ie
Subject: Minister Sean Kynes proposed changes to bylaw concerning the taking of four pike per day.

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Dear Sir/Madam.

I write to add my opposition to the proposed changes to a bye law that Minister Sean Kyne is currently attempting to make, concerning the taking of four pike per angler per day from certain 'designated' waters in Ireland.

As I'm sure you are fully aware, the issue of pike numbers being controlled by gill netting by the IFI in some of the Western Loughs has been subject of close scrutiny by many interested parties for the last couple of years.

My understanding was that the IFI is currently conducting a review of its policies in relation to the pike management in the western loughs as a result of that scrutiny, and the that the result of that review would become available for all interested parties later this year?

I fail to see therefore, how on earth a bye law of this nature can possibly be introduced at this time that could impact so heavily on a subject which the IFI has already acknowledged is currently in need of review?

Apparently, the bye law is being introduced as a "conservation measure" for the protection of wild brown trout on the waters concerned. Minister Kyne has not proposed to reduce the bag limit for trout, he has not imposed a full catch and release policy on current catch and kill trout competitions, he has not put forward a proposal for full catch and release during the mayfly season when trout are most vulnerable.

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Perhaps these measures need to be proposed by those submitting recommendations?

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Yours Sincerely,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 19:03
To: Paul Dennis
Cc: Inland Fisheries
Subject: RE: new bye law

Dear Mr **Dennis**

Please note that the bye law is being proposed by the Department not IFI and that observations/objections to the draft regulations may be made at any time during the period of 21 days concluding at 5pm on 25 May, 2018, either by e-mail to inland.fisheries@dccae.gov.ie (whom I have cc'd here) or by post to the address below. Please note that all submissions received will be published on the Department's website following the conclusion of the consultation period.

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Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment,
Elm House,
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Ireland

Yours sincerely,





Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 11:09
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: More Pike Slaughter

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.



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From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 13:56
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Lodgement of objection to Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

I Mrs [REDACTED], formally lodge my objection to the Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018,. It is short sighted and goes against all research of the effects of Esox Lucius on the Salmon and Trout numbers in the waterways mentioned in the Bye-Law.

Yours Sincerely

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 08 May 2018 18:27
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Killing Pike.

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, [REDACTED] (trout fisherman).

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 May 2018 13:53
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Killing pike

I cant believe this is going on i travel miles to fish some of these waters and spend my money in the areas doing so. Not just me but also friends aswell. We catch and release all we catch . Why cant trout and salmon anglers do the same or make them take only a certain amout of fish a year . The increasing numbers of anglers over the past few decades is whats harming trout and salmon stocks killing everything they get there hands .

Catriona Brady

From: Martin Mchugh <martin2mchugh@gmail.com>
Sent: 20 May 2018 11:18
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Killing of pike

I wish to lodge my concern about the new bye-law allowing any size pike to be taken from the lakes in the west of Ireland its an absolute disgrace that this is even being considered ,the tourism in this country has been effected as is by the recent events of poaching in recent years to implement this bye-law now would finish the pike fishing in Ireland ,to the point that our future generations may never get to know what it is to enjoy a great sport

Please don't allow it to happen

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 15 May 2018 10:17
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Please don't kill anymore PIKE

Categories: Red Category

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

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 12:08
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Please consider this as an objection to the proposed byelaw you hope to bring in, which allows anglers to bag 4 pike at any one time. This will be detrimental to the ecology of the lakes involved, as pike are natural predators and eat disease carrying ...

Categories: Red Category

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 14 May 2018 10:41
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike stocks

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I like to strongly appose the suggestion on killl up to 4 pike of any size a day as a joke, proposed by Sean

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 11:19
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike Removal.

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Categories: Red Category

When is this persecution of our pike going to end? The proposal to increase bag limits to 4 pike per day on certain lakes is the final nail in the coffin for tourism from pike anglers. These lakes are already gill netted to destruction. This new proposal gives free rein to trout anglers who are anti-pike and poachers.

Killing predators is the most efficient way to destroy an ecosystem and the people charged with protecting the environment and the creatures therein are the ones doing the most damage.

Please stop pandering to a few trout and salmon anglers in these areas and think about the bigger picture. Pike are very important to the health of any fishery and pike anglers will come in their droves to fish these waters if we just give it half a chance. Pike anglers spend a lot of money on their sport these days, and will bring much needed revenue to the locals around these waters.

Yours sincerely,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 16:07
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike Management and Bye Law Change

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Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing this email in utter shock and dismay at the continued pike management that continues to this day and age in Ireland.

Being a passionate pike angler from the age of 9 it is heart breaking to see these incredible fish continuously hounded in the hope to rid them from certain waters in Ireland.

I understand that there is currently a review taking place that will have a large bearing on what happens with regards to the pike going forward and I eagerly await the findings from the review and hope that sense prevails.

However what I cant stand is the proposed bye law change instigated by Minister Kyne to increase the daily allowance of pike to 4 a day to be taken from Loughs Mask, Corrib, Cara, Conn, Cullin, Sheelin and Arrow. The fact that he is proposing these changes reads as a massive two fingers to the passionate pike anglers that have fought for decades for the pike to be left alone and to those people who are carrying out the review, how can it be right that a bye law could be implemented before the review is complete?

Pike are a wonderful sporting fish, that play a huge role in creating a healthy and self sustaining ecosystem. The fabulous waters of Ireland have produced huge pike for centuries and are a mecca for anglers from across Ireland, the UK and Europe, however with the continued persecution anglers willing to spend their hard earned cash travelling their to fish are becoming fewer. I am certainly one of them as I just cant bring myself to part with my money which is effectively funding the destruction of the very fish I wish to catch and I know a lot of other anglers who feel the same. This proposed bye law change would be the final nail in the coffin of the incredible pike fishing Ireland has to offer and would only result in forcing more angling tourism away which will have a huge impact on the local economies of these areas.

I sincerely hope that sense prevails and the mindless and sickening slaughter of these incredible fish ceases, and the proposal of Minister Kyne is not implemented and maybe once again I would view Ireland as a viable destination again for an angling holiday, alas as it is though I would rather spend my money travelling to other countries where pike are valued and respected.

Kind Regards

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 19 May 2018 22:51
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike limit review

Categories: Red Category

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 greeted 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 Alan Ritchie Annan Scotland

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From: .
Sent: 09 May 2018 10:18
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike limit on western lakes

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Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Red Category

Sean kynes proposal is an outrage
Pike stocks will be devastated in the west
I strongly appose this
Please dont let this go ahead

Catriona Brady

From: ..
Sent: 14 May 2018 10:49
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike killing law

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Categories: Red Category

Id like to voice an opinion that killing 4 pike a day under new legislation by Sean Kyanes law is outrageous. Pike are native Irish fish and should be protected and preserved

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 09:11
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike kill

Categories: Red Category

I would like to put in writing my objection in writing in relation to minister Sean Kyne's proposal to bring in new pike bylaws.

As a angler all my life for many different spices of fish it is a sad day if this gets passed to be killing such wonderful native fish like the pike.

The loss of jobs in tackle shops and tourism would not be good. And on another note I hope some thing can be done to fix the major carp problem in cork.

Thank vou

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 21 May 2018 10:46
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: pike fishing

Categories: Red Category

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

Cordialement !

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 16:23
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike catch and release

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Categories: Red Category

As an all round angler not just pike i am rageing here that the byelaws proposed on killing 4 pike are even considered . Wheres the scientific evidence. All ull have in d trout lakes are perch in the future if this goes ahead . Plus the biggest protest ever seen.

[Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android](#)

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 17:13
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike catch and release

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Red Category

I fish for trout, salmon and pike!! I'm outraged ye are asking pike Fishermen to kill pike because ye can't do it yourselves!! It ain't and won't happen dam this government!! Another reason to hate the country I'm born in!!protests all the way and we will win!!

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 10 May 2018 06:50
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: pike bylaws

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Red Category

To whom it may concern

As an Irish pike angler and also a coarse and sea angler I would like you to consider not changing the current byelaw which states that only one pike under 50cm may be taken per day by rod and line angling. All these fisheries are already subject to annual gill netting and electrofishing to remove pike. The handful of large pike (100cm plus) which somehow evade capture in the nets are still regarded as a worthwhile quarry amongst the pike anglers who travel to these waters to fish. Allowing anglers to kill these exceptional fish means that all the angling pressure will now be concentrated on waters such as Ree and Derg. if too much pressure is applied to these waters then the visiting pike anglers will end up going elsewhere. (anywhere other than Ireland) This goes against the ITB intention to increase angling tourism. Years ago Ireland was known for its big pike with Lough Mask having produced 29 fish over 35lbs since records began. Since the gill netting recommenced there has only been 3 fish over 35lb caught on rod and line from Lough Mask. Allowing anglers to kill these valuable fish would be a mistake.

Furthermore it would be better to wait until the review of the impact of pike in designated salmonid waters is completed before even considering the proposed changes.

Please acknowledge receipt of this submission.

Yours sincerely

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 13:05
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Please dont kill the pikes
Attachments: goandcatch-logo-proper 1 skelbti.png

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Our club exist since 2011, during that period we organized a lot of competition, also we regularly participated in other clubs competition. At the moment in club is 22 member, all members every year buying permits for Shannon region and North Ireland. We spend alot of money for our hoby-sport... Please, I want to ask you... Dont not accept the law to kill the pike in Irelands loughs, that realy badly will effect on pikes stock and countrys economy. I'll give you a simple example... In Lithuania one angler a day can kill 3 pike over 50cm, for this reason in Lithuania very poor pikes stock in countrys lakes and rivers, for that reason in Lithuania no coming fishing tourist. I promise you in a few year in Ireland loughs gonna be empty of pikes, will be huge disaster for Ireland.

I very hope and believe, you will do right steps. Please!!!

Thank you

Catrina Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 15:30
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: Minister Kyne
Subject: Objection to Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Categories: Red Category

Good afternoon,

I am writing to you to post my objection to the Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018.

I am a keen angler who once frequently visited the western lakes of Ireland for fishing holidays but who no longer does due to the ongoing persecution of the Pike stocks in the region. I am hugely opposed to the gill netting campaign which takes place annually on these Loughs, which are of great importance historically to the culture of Pike fishing. Likewise, I am opposed to the recently proposed motion allowing the killing of up to 4 Pike of any size on the Loughs - a motion being proposed by Minister Kyne.

I wrote to the minister on the 28th March 2018 (email [Ref No: 074.2018.SK.DCCAE](#)) expressing my objections to the Pike removal practices and highlighting many of the reasons I feel this decision is wrong. Within the Minister's response, I received the following assurance, "It has been consistently stated that while the review is in process there is, in line with established practice, no change to existing policy as regards stock management measures." To my knowledge, the review is still in process and yet here we are in a situation where a change to the existing policy's being forwarded? It is incredibly difficult as a concerned Pike angler, born and bred in Ireland, to believe that the growing and majority voice of those opposed to the gill netting practices are being adequately listened to when we hear that motions are being considered that effectively increase the persecution of Pike in the region.

The gill netting continues unabated despite there still being no scientific evidence that it has worked on any of the Loughs in question and indeed in many cases, proof exists that as Pike stocks have been decimated, the quality of the Trout angling has declined likewise. Having reviewed the gill net returns for many of the loughs this spring, it is clear from the stomach contents of the hundreds of Pike removed that Trout were certainly not the main food source for the Pike, so I would encourage you to reconsider the need to destroy Pike fishing in a region which could be benefitting massively from the tourist money Pike Anglers would happily bring, should the gill netting cease.

You recently launched a Catch and Release campaign on social media, which was to be commended, however I am constantly dismayed to see the large number of Salmonid species proudly displayed dead on your website. Many angling disciplines in Ireland and the UK are almost entirely Catch and Release and it is frustrating to see the large number of quality Pike being removed from the Western Loughs via the gill nets when Game Anglers refuse to practice the same level of responsibility for their own sport. I truly hope that common sense prevails and that in my lifetime the wonderful, wild and indigenous Pike of Ireland are afforded the respect they deserve. I for one would waste no time in coming back to visit but until this happens, I will be taking my hard earned money elsewhere.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 07 May 2018 13:31
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike management and the new bye Law

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Categories: Red Category

Minister Sean Kayne,

I would like to object to the proposed bye-law allowing the killing of 4 pike per day on designated trout fisheries.

The lack of size restrictions will allow the killing of specimen pike, impacting on angling tourism and having a negative impact on our international reputation as an angling venue. The lack of restriction on the total number of pike killed on an annual basis will have the potential to seriously unbalance the ecosystem of

these lakes, with a potential explosion in the numbers of course fish. This bye-law is also proposed without scientific evidence or justification, and could be seen as a cynical exercise by the Minister to secure votes in his local constituency. The bye-law purports to relate to trout management yet no measures are proposed to reduce the number of mature trout that are taken in the numerous "catch and kill" competitions held on these waters.

It is my opinion that this bye law is not backed by credible peer reviewed scientific evidence, is short sighted and likely to be counterproductive.

I am ashamed that you would back a small number of anglers views even tho a petition with 20,000 signatures was handed into IFI to cease all pike management and that petition grew to 40,000 signatures in 6 weeks.

Regards,
Dave.

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 11:09
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: More Pike Slaughter

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.



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 20:51
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Pike by laws

To whom it my concern i am writing to you in regards to minister sean kyne bringing in new pike by law for killing 4 fish in 1 day of any size is just crazy why wont the minister look at all the recent research mostly carried out by your selfs why wont the minister even listen to the other people involved with these to back up our facts we all know there are many reasons why trout numbers havr fallen and pike would be on the bottom of that list its just suppose its handy option to blame the pike if this law is past they will ruin it for us all i fish some off these waters mostly in winter when b&b very quiet use pike anglers would stay there on many occasions so if this is past fishing in these stunning lakes in the west will be no more also i wonder has the minister seen all the trout that are killed from there competitions then hung up on fences to show madness and then the reason for all this is for local votes the minister should be ashamed of himself also i will be contacting my local TDs on this subject i could write so much more but im getting more annoyed the more i write i would like a responce from yourselfs to confirm you recived my email

Regards

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Inland Fisheries Division
Department of Communications,
Climate Action and Environment,
Elm House,
Earlsvale Road,
Cavan Town
H12 A8H7
Ireland

22/05/2018

Dear IFI,

I am writing this letter in support of Minister Kyne's intention to bring into force the Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law.

This sensible legislation will enable much needed improved management practices of the seven great Loughs outlined in the drafted Bye-Law. The effect predatory Pike can have on Salmonid stocks is well documented internationally and regulation that enables sensible stock management whilst enabling Anglers to harvest Pike for the table is welcome indeed.

Pike are considered a delicacy in many countries around the world and yet currently here in Ireland where they are plentiful no provision exists that allows sustainable harvesting of the species.

Furthermore, it is undoubtedly of paramount importance to place proper regulations on the putting or transfer of certain fish species into these designated waters. The recent malicious release of Pike into the Owenriff tributary system has had a truly devastating impact on the local Trout and Salmon population of this area. Any legislation acting as a deterrent for such behaviour moving forward has my full and upmost support.

The Great Loughs of Ireland have long enjoyed a reputation as some of the finest Salmonid fisheries in Europe and I believe the proposed Byelaw at hand is a step in the right direction ensuring this reputation continues for many future generations to come.

Yours Sincerely,

Objection to the DESIGNATED SALMONID WATERS BYE-LAW NO. XXX, 2018.

Dear Mr. Kyne,

I am writing to you with regards the proposed designated salmonid waters bye-law 2018.

Firstly as a concerned freshwater biologist and secondly as an angler, I feel that this suggested byelaw holds no grounds to benefit any salmonids. There is currently no evidence to suggest that the removal of pike of any size from these waters will enhance the populations and species richness of trout or salmon. However the current study on the diet of Irish pike which is near its final stages includes the pike diet from Lough Conn. I believe that the results of this need to be taken into consideration before any byelaw of this nature should put into law.

This byelaw will have a huge effect on local tourism with pike angling attributing to €79,685,000 annually to the economy. Other factors need to be taken into consideration for the demise of trout and salmon stocks in these listed waters, factors such as poor habitat, pollution, climate change, invasive species, lack of food, water quality... the list goes on. Until such factors can be cancelled out and the diet study is taken into consideration, I feel this suggested byelaw holds no grounds and should be withdrawn.

Also this byelaw will be hard to police by fisheries officers. For example, an angler can catch four pike from any other lake in Cavan and be found with them in their possession. All they have to state is he/she caught them from Lough Sheelin, there is no proof to say they did or didn't. This is just an impossible task for an already under staffed agency to police and will have a detrimental effect on local angling clubs and tourism.

I am in total support of the suggested putting or transfer of any fish species to the designated waters shall require a written application to IFI and is only permitted with the written consent of IFI. This is what was required years ago and may have prevented the movement of pike into these designated waters.

Kind regards,

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 25 May 2018 11:14
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: OBJECTION to changes to Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 16:59
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Draft objection

Categories: Red Category

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 18:12
To:
Subject: Proposed Bye Law
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To Whom it may concern,

I wish to object in the strongest terms possible to the proposed introduction of a four pike bag limit on the fisheries listed in the draft bye law by Minister Sean Kyne.

There are several reasons for my objection and 4 will be highlighted below.

1. Catch and release is becoming the way forward in fresh water sport fisheries all over the world from New Zealand to Alaska and in between. It is seen as the only reasonable way to manage freshwater eco systems efficiently. Currently in Ireland and in particular there in the lakes mentioned by the proposed bye law several catch and kill competitions take place each year. This involves huge numbers of anglers fishing for a designated time after which all fish caught will be brought ashore and weighed. This is in no way sustainable in is quite frankly one of the most outdated practices in angling circles. I would strongly encourage you to move towards this policy for both Pike and Salmonids on the listed fisheries for the good of the entire eco system and all sports fishermen.
2. Pike killing has not worked as a management tool to increase salmonid numbers. After decades of pike culling on the listed lakes there is no evidence of increased salmonid numbers. On the contrary salmonid numbers have dropped. In the absence of Large pike other species such as roach/bream that compete directly with trout for food have seen their numbers increase dramatically as have the numbers of smaller pike which also prey on trout. Pike have Co-existed in these waters for 1000's of years without the intervention of man. Removing the apex predator from any ecosystem causes extreme consequence and this is what is being currently experienced due to the on going gill netting of the 7 lakes.
3. Enlightened fishery management is all about focusing on improving the environment of the fish to live , eat and breed efficiently without unnecessary interference from man. Measures such as fishery protection/policing to prevent pollution/poaching and spawning habitat improvement are whats needed. Please focus on these instead of allowing people to kill a native species in huge numbers with no scientific justification at all. The effect that this will have on the angling tourism of Ireland is untold with several angling clubs and societies already boycotting our waters each season until these policies cease.
4. There is currently a review of pike policy being conducted by IFL . It is both disrespectful and inefficient in the extreme to allow this expensive review to take place while the laws are being changed without any regard for this process. Please at least take into account the recommendations of your scientists and the entire fishing community before you decide on what is best for these fisheries. The lack of scientific justification for what is being proposed by this bye law is astounding and has very little merit among the wider angling community. I urge that further in depth and scientific research be considered by all parties before such a bye law is even considered.

I have attached a Copy of the proposed bye law for your perusal.

yours sincerely

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 15:10
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Salmonid Waters bye law

[Redacted]

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 sea trout, salmon and wild brown trout must be protected.

[Redacted]

Sent from my Huawei Y6II Compact on Three

From:
Sent: 24 May 2018 17:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Cc: Gerry Clerkin
Subject: FW: Opposition to bye-law proposed by Sean Kyne

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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.



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 22 May 2018 12:46
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: FW: James Browne T.D. Public Consultations Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

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Catrina Brady

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 May 2018 18:30
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: By law 2018

To whom it may concern, 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'. 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 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-empt's 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. Yours Sincerely

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 20:17
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Draft Designated Salmonid Waters bye-law 2018

Categories: Red Category

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Sent from my iPhone

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From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 22:42
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Designated salmonoid waters bye law 2018

Categories: Blue Category

To whom it may concern,

I'm am writing this email in sheer disbelief, horror, and complete objection to the proposed designated salmonoid waters bye law 2018. As chairman of my local angling and junior development club I cannot believe that this is even being considered as an option for fish management. Not only does the proposed bye law completely ignore all scientific studies it is a complete waste of tax payers money. This email is notice of objection from all the members of carrickmacross coarse anglers.

Regards

Chairman

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 19 May 2018 10:15
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Draft Designated Salmonid Waters bye-law 2018

Categories: Red Category

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From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 10:58
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: No to the killing of pike

Categories: Blue Category

I'm emailing you to stop the introduction of this new proposed law that allows anglers to kill 4 pike a day of any size, the lakes were perfectly fine in the past for both species of pike and trout until they introduced the gill nets it is proven fact that pike will target slow and sick fish for an easy meal which in turn keeps disease at a minimum amongst fish stocks so I am 100% against this barbaric proposed new law

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

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Inland Fisheries Division
Department of Communications,
Climate Action and Environment,
Elm House,
Earlsvale Road,
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Ireland

[REDACTED]

Dear IFI,

I am writing this letter in support of Minister Kyne's intention to bring into force the Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law.

This sensible legislation will enable much needed improved management practices of the seven great Loughs outlined in the drafted Bye-Law. The effect predatory Pike can have on Salmonid stocks is well documented internationally and regulation that enables sensible stock management whilst enabling Anglers to harvest Pike for the table is welcome indeed.

Pike are considered a delicacy in many countries around the world and yet currently here in Ireland where they are plentiful no provision exists that allows sustainable harvesting of the species.

Furthermore, it is undoubtedly of paramount importance to place proper regulations on the putting or transfer of certain fish species into these designated waters. The recent malicious release of Pike into the Owenriff tributary system has had a truly devastating impact on the local Trout and Salmon population of this area. Any legislation acting as a deterrent for such behaviour moving forward has my full and upmost support.

The Great Loughs of Ireland have long enjoyed a reputation as some of the finest Salmonid fisheries in Europe and I believe the proposed Byelaw at hand is a step in the right direction ensuring this reputation continues for many future generations to come.

Yours Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Objection to the DESIGNATED SALMONID WATERS BYE-LAW NO. XXX, 2018.

08/05/2018

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear Mr. Kyne,

I am writing to you with regards the proposed designated salmonid waters bye-law 2018.

Firstly as a concerned freshwater biologist and secondly as an angler, I feel that this suggested byelaw holds no grounds to benefit any salmonids. There is currently no evidence to suggest that the removal of pike of any size from these waters will enhance the populations and species richness of trout or salmon. However the current study on the diet of Irish pike which is near its final stages includes the pike diet from Lough Conn. I believe that the results of this need to be taken into consideration before any byelaw of this nature should put into law.

This byelaw will have a huge effect on local tourism with pike angling attributing to €79,685,000 annually to the economy. Other factors need to be taken into consideration for the demise of trout and salmon stocks in these listed waters, factors such as poor habitat, pollution, climate change, invasive species, lack of food, water quality... the list goes on. Until such factors can be cancelled out and the diet study is taken into consideration, I feel this suggested byelaw holds no grounds and should be withdrawn.

Also this byelaw will be hard to police by fisheries officers. For example, an angler can catch four pike from any other lake in Cavan and be found with them in their possession. All they have to state is he/she caught them from Lough Sheelin, there is no proof to say they did or didn't. This is just an impossible task for an already under staffed agency to police and will have a detrimental effect on local angling clubs and tourism.

I am in total support of the suggested putting or transfer of any fish species to the designated waters shall require a written application to IFI and is only permitted with the written consent of IFI. This is what was required years ago and may have prevented the movement of pike into these designated waters.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 05 May 2018 09:47
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed bye-law change

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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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

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 25 May 2018 11:13
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: OBJECTION to changes to Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Categories: Red Category

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 17 May 2018 16:59
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Draft objection

Sent from my iPhone

Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 15 May 2018 13:40
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed bye law

Dear Sir/Madam

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Yours sincerely



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From:
Sent: 09 May 2018 18:12
To:
Subject: Proposed Bye Law
Attachments: bye law6.png; bye law5.png; bye law4.png; bye law3.png; bye law2.png; bye law.png
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To Whom it may concern,

I wish to object in the strongest terms possible to the proposed introduction of a four pike bag limit on the fisheries listed in the draft bye law by Minister Sean Kyne.

There are several reasons for my objection and 4 will be highlighted below.

1. Catch and release is becoming the way forward in fresh water sport fisheries all over the world from New Zealand to Alaska and in between. It is seen as the only reasonable way to manage freshwater eco systems efficiently. Currently in Ireland and in particular there in the lakes mentioned by the proposed bye law several catch and kill competitions take place each year. This involves huge numbers of anglers fishing for a designated time after which all fish caught will be brought ashore and weighed. This is in no way sustainable in is quite frankly one of the most outdated practices in angling circles. I would strongly encourage you to move towards this policy for both Pike and Salmonids on the listed fisheries for the good of the entire eco system and all sports fishermen.

2. Pike killing has not worked as a management tool to increase salmonid numbers. After decades of pike culling on the listed lakes there is no evidence of increased salmonid numbers. On the contrary salmonid numbers have dropped. In the absence of Large pike other species such as roach/bream that compete directly with trout for food have seen their numbers increase dramatically as have the numbers of smaller pike which also prey on trout. Pike have Co-existed in these waters for 1000's of years without the intervention of man. Removing the apex predator from any ecosystem causes extreme consequence and this is what is being currently experienced due to the on going gill netting of the 7 lakes.

3. Enlightened fishery management is all about focusing on improving the environment of the fish to live , eat and breed efficiently without unnecessary interference from man. Measures such as fishery protection/policing to prevent pollution/poaching and spawning habitat improvement are whats needed. Please focus on these instead of allowing people to kill a native species in huge numbers with no scientific justification at all. The effect that this will have on the angling tourism of Ireland is untold with several angling clubs and societies already boycotting our waters each season until these policies cease.

4. There is currently a review of pike policy being conducted by IFI . It is both disrespectful and inefficient in the extreme to allow this expensive review to take place while the laws are being changed without any regard for this process. Please at least take into account the recommendations of your scientists and the entire fishing community before you decide on what is best for these fisheries. The lack of scientific justification for what is being proposed by this bye law is astounding and has very little merit among the wider angling community. I urge that further in depth and scientific research be considered by all parties before such a bye law is even considered.

I have attached a Copy of the proposed bye law for your perusal.

yours sincerely



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 19:51
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed by law to allow the killing of 4 pike of any size per day

Dear sirs my name is [REDACTED] 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

Catriona Brady

From: [REDACTED]
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

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad

Catrina Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 10:34
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Proposed (Draft) Designated Salmonid Waters Bye-Law 2018

Dear Minister of State at the Department 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 and 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,

[Redacted signature block]



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From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 13:05
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Please dont kill the pikes
Attachments: goandcatch-logo-proper 1 skelbti.png

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Hi, my name is [REDACTED], I am co-founder of [REDACTED] club in Ireland "[REDACTED]". Our club exist since [REDACTED] during that period we organized a lot of competition, also we regularly participated in other clubs competition. At the moment in club is 22 member, all members every year buying permits for Shannon region and North Ireland. We spend alot of money for our hoby-sport... Please, I want to ask you... Dont not accept the law to kill the pike in Irelands loughs, that realy badly will effect on pikes stock and countrys economy. I'll give you a simple example... In Lithuania one angler a day can kill 3 pike over 50cm, for this reason in Lithuania very poor pikes stock in countrys lakes and rivers, for that reason in Lithuania no coming fishing tourist. I promise you in a few year in Ireland loughs gonna be empty of pikes, will be huge disaster for Ireland.
I very hope and believe, you will do right steps. Please!!!

Thank you

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]"

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From:

Sent:

17 May 2018 12:08

To:

Inland Fisheries

Subject:

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Name

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

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Regards [REDACTED]

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24 May 2018

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Sent: 19 May 2018 10:57
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Sent: 18 May 2018 16:46
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Best regards,

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Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 16 May 2018 22:42
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Designated salmonoid waters bye law 2018

To whom it may concern,

I'm am writing this email in sheer disbelief, horror, and complete objection to the proposed designated salmonoid waters bye law 2018. As chairman of my local angling and junior development club I cannot believe that this is even being considered as an option for fish management. Not only does the proposed bye law completely ignore all scientific studies it is a complete waste of tax payers money. This email is notice of objection from all the members of carrickmacross coarse anglers.

Regards



Catriona Brady

From:
Sent: 18 May 2018 22:02
To: Inland Fisheries
Subject: Re:Pike consultation/Bye law

On behalf of [REDACTED].
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

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