

Notice of Preliminary Hearing on Statement of Scope

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a preliminary public hearing on Statement of Scope SS 052-21 (Board Order WY-21-20) relating to site-specific phosphorus criteria for Lac Courte Oreilles. In accordance with s. 227.136, Wis. Stats., the DNR is seeking public comment and feedback on Statement of Scope SS 052-21 at the time and virtual location shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: Aug. 19, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Virtual Location Link:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87375801787>

Meeting ID: 873 7580 1787

Dial in: 1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago region)

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbnqzSxiD>

Rule Information

The objective of the proposed rule is to address development of phosphorus site-specific criteria for a single lake, Lac Courte Oreilles, in Sawyer County, to be protective of whitefish in the lake. Lac Courte Oreilles is a state-classified Outstanding Resource Water and one of the small number of lakes in Wisconsin that support a coldwater (or “two-story”) fishery. The lake straddles both state land and Tribal lands of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa.

Accessibility

For the hearing or visually impaired, non-English speakers, or those with other personal circumstances which might make communication at the meeting/hearing difficult, DNR will, to the maximum extent possible and with reasonable advance notice, provide aids including an interpreter, or a non-English, large-print, or recorded version of hearing documents. To access these resources, please contact the email address or phone number listed below as soon as possible.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. To register and join the hearing online or by phone, use the information provided above. Pre-registration is also available and is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, either use the Zoom link above or download and complete the fillable [Hearing Appearance form](#) and send it to Kristi.Minahan@wisconsin.gov.

Comments on the scope statement must be received on or before August 19, 2021. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. **Written comments and any questions on the proposed statement of scope should be emailed (preferred) or mailed to:**

Kristi.Minahan@wisconsin.gov or DNRAAdministrativeRulesComments@wisconsin.gov

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The Statement of Scope may be reviewed, and comments made at

https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/scope_statements/comment.