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Resubmitted: September 15, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

SUBJECT: Special Fishing Regulations for Spring Mill Pond, Island Lake Recreation Area, Livingston County (FO-236)

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended, authorizes the Director to provide for better protection and preservation of fish, game and birds.

Discussion and Background:

The attached order pertains to special fishing regulations in Spring Mill Pond, Island Lake Recreation Area, Livingston County. This order regulates a specialized fishery that has been in place for several years. This is a long-standing, well understood and very successful fishing program. The Island Lake Recreation Area personnel are very supportive – as are the anglers who use Spring Mill Pond. The stocking and fishing of this pond has been a good use of excess broodstock trout from our hatchery program.

The program is well received by the angling public and Parks and Recreation staff that interact with the angling public. It is recommended that this regulation be renewed.

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Recommendation:

This order was submitted for information at the September 2008 Natural Resources Commission Meeting. This item appeared on the Department's September 2, 2008 calendar and is eligible for approval on October 9, 2008. We are recommending that it be acted upon at this meeting.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

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Date Approved

FO-236.09

ORDER

SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS
SPRING MILL POND, ISLAND LAKE RECREATION AREA, LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Under the authority of sections 41101 through 41105 of Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, being sections 324.41101 through 324.41105 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources on October 9, 2008, ordered that for a period of five years the following special regulations shall apply to Spring Mill Pond, Island Lake Recreation Area, Livingston County, for the taking of trout:

1. March 15 to March 31 - no fishing.

2. April 1 to the Friday before the last Saturday in April - catch and release only fishing on trout (no-kill) and artificial lures only. All trout taken shall be returned immediately to the water.

3. From the last Saturday in April to March 14 - statewide fishing regulations.

This order is assigned number FO-236.09 and is titled "Special Fishing Regulations Spring Mill Pond, Island Lake Recreation Area, Livingston County."

This order supersedes the order entitled "Special Fishing Regulations Spring Mill Pond, Island Lake Recreation Area, Livingston County" effective April 1, 2004, and assigned number FO-236.04.

This order shall take effect on April 1, 2009, and shall remain effective through March 31, 2014.

Issued on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

Rebecca A. Humphries
Director

The Natural Resources Commission has reviewed this order.

Keith J. Charters
Chairperson

Teresa Gloden
Executive Secretary