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RESUBMITTED: September 16, 2013

MEMORANDUM TO THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Subject: Fisheries Order 222.14
Restricted and Closed Waters for Fisheries Research

Authority:

The Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, authorizes the Director and the Commission to issue orders to regulate the taking of fish in the waters of this state.

Discussion and Background:

Fisheries Order 222 governs a list of waters restricted and closed to fishing for fisheries research. The list includes a few waters which have been historically closed to fishing for decades for fisheries research to be conducted on. These waters are a valuable resource for fisheries scientists and the regulations should remain intact as written. This Order is set to expire on March 31, 2014 and the Department proposes it be renewed as written and remain in effect until amended or rescinded.

Recommendation:

This order was submitted for information on September 12, 2013, at the Natural Resources Commission Meeting. This item appears on the Department's September 2013 calendar and may be eligible for approval on October 10, 2013.

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I have analyzed and discussed these recommendations with staff and concur as to matters over which the Director has authority.

Keith Creagh, Director

Date

FISHERIES ORDER

Restricted and Closed Waters for Fisheries Research Order 222.14

By authority conferred on the Natural Resources Commission and the Department of Natural Resources by Part 487 of 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.48701 to 324.48740, it is ordered that effective April 1, 2014, the following section(s) of the Fisheries Order shall read as follows:

It shall be unlawful to fish in the following waters:

At the Hunt Creek Fisheries Research Station, T29N, R2E, Montmorency County--East Fish, West Fish, and Middle Fish lakes, Fuller Pond, and 2.4 miles of Hunt Creek from the Section Z bulkhead south to the Montmorency-Oscoda County line, and all of Fuller Creek, all in Sections 25, 26, 27, 34, 35 and 36. Total water area is about 45 acres of lakes and 4 miles of stream.

This Order shall be assigned number FO-222.14, and is entitled "Restricted and Closed Waters for Fisheries Research."

This Order supersedes the Order entitled "Restricted and Closed Waters for Fisheries Research," which became effective April 1, 2009, and is assigned number FO-222.09.

This Order shall take effect on April 1, 2014, and shall remain in effect until amended/rescinded.

Issued on this 10th day of October, 2013.

Approved as to matters over which the Commission has authority.

J. R. Richardson, Chairman
Natural Resources Commission

Approved as to matters over which the Director has authority.

Keith Creagh
Director