

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

and

File No. 2:73 CV 26

BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY, SAULT
STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS,
GRAND TRAVERSE BAND OF OTTAWA AND
CHIPPEWA INDIANS, LITTLE RIVER BAND OF
OTTAWA INDIANS, and LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY
BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS,

Hon. Paul L. Maloney

Plaintiff-Intervenors,

vs.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, et al.,

Defendants.

**ORDER AMENDING SECTION VII.A.7.b. OF AUGUST 7, 2000
CONSENT DECREE**

A Consent Decree was entered on August 7, 2000 (“2000 Consent Decree”), upon the stipulation of the parties, by which the Court established regulation, management and allocation of fish resources in the Great Lakes waters of Lakes Huron, Michigan and Superior subject to the treaty fishing rights reserved by Plaintiff-Intervenors in the Treaty of March 28, 1836 (7 Stat. 491) (the “Treaty waters”) for the time period of 2000 to 2020; and

The parties have executed a stipulation to amend Section VII.A.7.b. of the Consent Decree. The Court approves the agreement of the parties set forth in the stipulation and enters this Order:

IT IS ORDERED that section VII.A.7b. be amended as follows:

Introductory paragraph: No change

(1) No change.

(2) The Tribes' lake trout harvest limit shall be their prior year's harvest limit, less the reduction in lake trout harvest projected from gill net conversion under section X.C. occurring since the calculation of the previous harvest limit. For 2016, the Tribes' lake trout harvest limit shall be 525,000 pounds, including estimated throwback mortality.

(3) No change.

(4) Recreational lake trout harvest limits shall be 50,000 pounds or the model-generated lake trout harvest limit, whichever is greater, in 2007 and thereafter until sea lamprey-induced lake trout mortality is significantly below the 1998 baseline levels for three consecutive years. For 2016, the State's lake trout harvest limit shall be 80,000 pounds, including estimated throwback mortality.

(5) No change.

(6) No change.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in all other respects, section VII.A.7.b. of the 2000 Consent Decree shall remain unchanged.

Dated: October 7, 2016

/s/ Paul L. Maloney

Hon. Paul L. Maloney
U.S. District Judge