
TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

Notice of Intent to Adopt a Rule

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Under [IC 4-22-2-23](#), the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Adds [312 IAC 9-1-3.2](#) defining the term "aquatic life". Amends [312 IAC 9-6-1](#) governing minnow traps. Amends [312 IAC 9-6-5](#) to require the tagging of fishing equipment left unattended. Amends [312 IAC 9-6-6](#) to open a section of Trail Creek and the Little Calumet River for fishing year-round. Adds [312 IAC 9-6-12](#) governing the gifting of fish. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-3](#) governing the taking of catfish. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-5](#) governing the taking of northern pike. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-6](#) governing the taking of black bass. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-13](#) to increase the bag limit for lake trout taken from Lake Michigan. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-14](#) governing species of fish with no bag limit. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-15](#) governing the taking of minnows. Amends [312 IAC 9-7-16](#) governing sport fishing on the Ohio River. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-1](#) governing general requirements and definitions for commercial fishing. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-2](#) governing commercial fishing on inland water. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-6](#) governing commercial fishing on the Ohio River. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-7](#) governing the roe harvester's license. Amends [312 IAC 9-8-8](#) governing the roe dealer's license. Repeals [312 IAC 9-7-9](#), [312 IAC 9-7-10](#), [312 IAC 9-8-3](#), [312 IAC 9-8-4](#), and [312 IAC 9-8-5](#). Questions may be sent to the Division of Hearings, Natural Resources Commission, Indiana Government Center North, 100 North Senate Avenue, Room N103, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2273, at nrcrules@nrc.in.gov, or by telephone at (317) 232-4699. Comments may be sent by regular mail to the address above or through <http://www.in.gov/nrc/2377.htm>. Statutory authority: [IC 14-10-2-4](#); [IC 14-11-2-1](#); [IC 14-22-2-6](#); [IC 14-22-13](#).

For purposes of [IC 4-22-2-28.1](#), the Small Business Regulatory Coordinator for this rule is:

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Resources available to regulated entities through the small business ombudsman include the ombudsman's duties stated in [IC 4-4-35-8](#), specifically [IC 4-4-35-8\(9\)](#), investigating and attempting to resolve any matter regarding compliance by a small business with a law, rule, or policy administered by a state agency, either as a party to a proceeding or as a mediator.

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