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Subject: Public hearing on on the proposed revisions to Delaware's freshwater trout regulations

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), Division of Fish & Wildlife will conduct a virtual public hearing on Tuesday, November 22, 2022 beginning at 6:00 p.m. to consider comments from the public on the proposed revisions to 7 DE Admin. Code 3300 Non-tidal Finfish 3301 - Definitions and 3304 Creel Limit, Size Limits and Season.

The objectives of revising 7 DE Admin. Code 3300 Non-tidal Finfish 3301 - Definitions and 3304 Creel Limit, Size Limits and Season are to augment the waters open for trout fishing by adding an additional 0.4 miles of designated trout stream to the stocked portion of Red Clay Creek, create a fly fishing-only area on Red Clay Creek, and increase trout fishing participation by young people with the designation of Youth Days.

The proposed amendments may be inspected online starting November 1, 2022 at http://regulations.delaware.gov/services/current_issue.shtml or in-person, by appointment only, by contacting John Clark, by phone at (302)739-9914 or by email at John.Clark@delaware.gov. The web link to the virtual meeting is found on the DNREC Public Hearings site at https://de.gov/dnrechearings. If prompted for a password, please use: TROUT. To access the audio-only portion of the virtual hearing, dial 1-408-418-9388 and enter event code 2340 459 7194. Closed-captioning is available by request if made at least 7 days before the event.

Those wishing to offer verbal comments during DNREC virtual public hearings must pre-register no later than noon on the date of the virtual hearing at https://de.gov/dnreccomments or by telephone at 302-739-9295.

The Department will accept public comment through the close of business on **Wednesday**, **December 7**, **2022**. Comments pertaining to the above matter will be accepted in written form via email to DNRECHearingComments@delaware.gov, using the online form at https://de.gov/dnreccomments, or by U.S. mail to the following address:

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