



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Resolution #16-0316-080

Approval of 2016 Regulations for Lake Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of the 2016 Regulations for Lake Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake were adopted at the March 14, 2016 Meeting of the Natural Resource Commission; and


IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hereby authorizes the 2016 Regulations for Lake Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 7 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 2 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on March 16, 2016, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.



Gary Di Piazza, Acting Council Recorder



Virgil Johnson, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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2016 Regulations for Lake Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake

1. Two (2) fish quota for entire lake for 2016. After both fish are harvested, the fishery is closed and all licensed anglers will be notified by LRBOI NRD personnel. Only two (2) fish total can be harvested regardless of the number of licensed anglers.
2. Season: Sunday, May 1st through Thursday, June 30th (or until quota is reached after which season will be immediately closed).
3. No minimum size limit.
4. Method of harvest is open water spearing, bowfishing, and/or hook and line. Snagging is not allowed.
5. Angler must maintain in their possession at all times a valid Lake Sturgeon Harvest Permit for Black Lake in order to fish. This permit must be acquired from the Natural Resources Department 48 hours prior to fishing. The permit will indicate specific dates for which the permit is valid. Because LRBOI Natural Resource Department or Conservation Law Enforcement staff will be present during all sturgeon fishing. Angler must call contacts designated on the permit if the permit will not be used for any of the designated days.
6. Daily Angler check-in is required. Once angler arrives at Black Lake they will call contacts designated on permit prior to fishing for the day.
7. After an angler harvests a sturgeon they must immediately contact the LRBOI NRD staff. Anglers will be given a shortwave radio or be notified of other means to contact the LRBOI NRD staff present at Black Lake.
8. Mandatory registration of sturgeon is required immediately upon harvest with a LRBOI NRD field staff.
9. Registration of fish harvest will include an examination of the fish.
10. Tribal Law Enforcement may check anglers during each fishing day.
11. If quota is exceeded the excess fish will be turned over to LRBOI NRD and/or Law Enforcement personnel and retained for future ceremonial purposes.