

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

Reinstate Statewide Recreational Creel Limits on Spring Bayou, Avoyelles Parish

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission acted through a Declaration of Emergency on September 1, 2022 to reduce the daily recreational creel limits of freshwater fish in Spring Bayou, Avoyelles Parish for the time period of September 6, 2022 to December 31, 2022 to protect sportfish populations during a drawdown. The drawdown is complete and the water level has returned to pool stage; therefore, the temporary reduction is no longer necessary.

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:962, which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to employ emergency procedures pursuant to the adoption of a rule, and under the authority of R.S. 56:6(25)(a) and R.S. 56:325(C), which provides that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set recreational daily take limits, possession limits, and seasons for freshwater fish, and under the authority of a Declaration of Emergency passed by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on September 1, 2022, which authorized the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to reinstate the statewide recreational daily creel limit for all freshwater fish species on Spring Bayou in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana as necessary prior to December 31, 2022, the statewide daily creel limit for all freshwater fish species on Spring Bayou in Avoyelles Parish, Louisiana are hereby reinstated at 12:00 a.m. on December 7, 2022.

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