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Which best describes your position regarding the recommended changes to Administrative Rule R657-61?

Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the recommended changes?

Any proposed sale or trade of and state owned property should be voted on by all registered voters. I'm concerned that developers are bending legislators to a shortcut path for selling off important land. I'm concerned Mt Timpanogos WMA and other properties are being eyed by wealthy developers and the public outreach by DWR won't reach very many citizens and be mostly off radar. Put any land transfers on the General ballot for all to weigh in on.

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I'm a traditional and spear angler. I'm writing to express strong support for increased access to spear angling and for ratification of the spear angling proposals.

As we look to the future, we hope spear anglers will be seen not as a niche group but as peers within the broader angling community.

- Trust us as advocates for pristine water and thriving aquatic ecosystems.
- Recognize our value as dedicated volunteers.
- Consider spearfishing as way to showcase the division's charter to increase public access to Utah's majestic waters.

I challenge you to work with us on a future

-Where spear anglers aren't just called on to help w eradication of invasive species but where we are treated as equals w other anglers and have the opportunity to explore more waters and take home fish to our families and friends.

-Where the division understands our selectivity; a spear angler only shoots when sure, just as an angler releases a fish not meant for home.

-Where expanding access to spearfishing for game fish is seen as a way to distribute spear angling pressure.

-where our activity and travel in the State benefits both the ecosystem and economics of the State.

-Where the angling community understands that we can reliably identify species underwater as accurately as traditional anglers or hunters on land.

We ask the Board to see spearfishing not just as a management tool, but as an integral, equal part of the angling community.

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August 7, 2024 11:07 pm

**Which best describes your position
regarding the proposed changes to
Utah's fishing regulations?**

Strongly agree

**Do you have any comments about the
proposed changes?**

I am strongly in favor of any regulation changes that expand opportunities
for Underwater Spearfishing

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Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I am a big proponent of changes that will increase opportunities for spearfishing in Utah.

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August 8, 2024 5:43 am

**Which best describes your position
regarding the proposed changes to
Utah's fishing regulations?**

Strongly agree

**Do you have any comments about the
proposed changes?**

I support proposals opening access to spear anglers in Utah!

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August/September 2024 RAC Proposals Feedback
August 8, 2024 6:13 am

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I strongly support all of the proposed changes to increase access for spear anglers in Utah, in particular the opening of 15 lakes in the Uintas and the allowance of artificial light for lake trout in Flaming Gorge.

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August 8, 2024 8:02 am

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

This all looks good, but I am definitely in support of expanding spearfishing access across the state.

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August 10, 2024 8:00 am

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I believe that removing the ice hole size restrictions at Flaming Gorge creates a massive safety issue. 8-10 inch holes are bad enough when you have a child unknowingly step in one, but allowing holes bigger than 18 inches creates real deadly hazards on the ice. This should not be allowed.

I also oppose the proposed changes at Manning Meadow Reservoir. This is a brood stick lake for Bonneville Cutthroats. Our state has worked so hard on this program it is a shame to say that because they are doing well we should open the lake to bait fishing and increased harvest. The current regulations at Manning Meadow should stay in place.

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August 11, 2024 3:23 pm

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I strongly support these changes opening more options in Utah for spear anglers. Spear anglers are selective in the fish they take, generally eco-conscious, and they have more options for practicing this sport in Utah will bring more money to the state from both locals practicing the sport and tourism dollars from out of state spear anglers coming to visit.

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August 12, 2024 7:16 am

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Strongly disagree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

Taking away the size restriction at quail lake will reduce the average size!!
Big bass need to be released

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations?

Somewhat agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes?

I have concerns about the proposed changes for Manning Meadow Reservoir. Manning Meadow is a key brood stock component to our Bonneville cutt recovery program. Opening it up to general regs and bait would potentially jeopardize the egg take and overall success from the fishery. Cutthroat are one of the few species that seem to be sensitive to overharvest. How easy would it be with heavy bait pressure to take too many brood cutts? Additionally, with bait fishing, it would be easier for illegal live bait to be used, increasing the risk of an illegal fish introduction like Utah chubs. This has happened repeatedly in our fisheries and could potentially mess up the fishery even more than heavy harvest. If there are an increased number of fish in the lake, even increasing the limit but keeping it AFL, would be preferable. Nevertheless, I oppose the change and would much prefer to keep things as they are. Thank you

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August 13, 2024 3:24 pm

**Which best describes your position
regarding the proposed changes to
Utah's fishing regulations?**

Strongly agree

**Do you have any comments about the
proposed changes?**

I support proposals for expanding spearfishing opportunities to anglers in
utah

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August 22, 2024 7:47 am

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed response to the illegal walleye introduction at Strawberry Reservoir? Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed response at Strawberry Reservoir? I agree. Please, let us keep Strawberry as a top tier Cutthroat and Kokanee fishery. Let's not risk damaging that by letting Walleye populate.

Which best describes your position regarding the proposed changes to Utah's fishing regulations? Strongly agree

Do you have any comments about the proposed changes? I agree with removing the restriction on ice hole size at the Gorge but please educate people on how to mark holes and to keep others safe from walking/driving into their not-yet-frozen holes. Thank you!

Which best describes your position regarding the recommended changes to Administrative Rule R657-61? Strongly agree

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