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I would like to comment on the proposed 2nd Draft.

I am a member of the cregmore , in Galway and have been for many years, fishing the Clare River.

In relation to the proposed catch and release dates.

I am a 70 year old , who enjoys fishing the worm, as my mobility would not be good, I sit by a pool and enjoy the fresh air and the love of fishing, and there I stay, fly fishing and bait casting is not possible for me.

Firstly If I catch a salmon, and I have to enter the water to release, that would be a serious worry for me, in case i would slip or fall.

Also If I catch a fish on the worm, and it does not survive during this period, am i breaking the law, and subject to punishment.

This is a big worry for me, I love my fishing, it is my only recreation now, am i going to be limited to two months fishing.

For my wellbeing and mental health fishing is so important to me.

We as a club have a high number of aged fishermen, and I also speak for them, Please dont overlook us.

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