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AT THE REGULAR SESSION OF COUNCIL OF THE  
SENECA NATION OF INDIANS HELD ON JUNE 14,  
2025, AT THE WILLIAM SENECA BUILDING ON  
THE CATTARAUGUS TERRITORY.

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EXECUTIVES PRESENT:

PRESIDENT	—	J. CONRAD SENECA
TREASURER	—	AL E. GEORGE
CLERK	—	LENITH K. WATERMAN

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## TO APPROVE TEMPORARY AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION LAW

- MOTION:** by Kevin Seneca, seconded by Maurice John, Sr., that the Seneca Nation Council approves the following resolution:
- WHEREAS,** the Council, in coordination with the Conservation Department, Natural Resources Committee, and the Legal Department, has undertaken an in-depth review of the Comprehensive Conservation Law to ensure that the Law adequately protects and preserves the natural resources of the Seneca Nation for our future generations; and
- WHEREAS,** during this review period, the Seneca Nation found it necessary to suspend fishing license sales until a new licensing regime could be established; and
- WHEREAS,** on May 12, 2025, the Seneca Nation solicited public comments on the draft of the amended Comprehensive Conservation Law; and
- WHEREAS,** dozens of enrolled members and non-members commented on the draft of the Comprehensive Conservation Law; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council will need more time to fully discuss and adequately consider and implement the public feedback; and
- WHEREAS,** the Council has determined that a continuing suspension of fishing license sales is no longer necessary provided that certain temporary amendments are made to the Comprehensive Conservation Law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Council hereby adopts temporary amendments to the Comprehensive Conservation Law, as follows:

- Fishing License sales shall resume on June 16, 2025, but only for Temporary Fishing Licenses;
- Temporary Fishing Licenses shall be made available at the Clerk's Office, Highbanks Campground, and Seneca One Stops;
- Licensees shall be prohibited from fishing in the restricted areas identified in the attached maps of the Allegany (Appendix A) and Cattaraugus (Appendix B) Territories;
- The use of lead sinkers, including split shot, weighing one-half ounce, or less is prohibited; and
- Licensees are permitted to fish in the restricted areas only if they are accompanied by an enrolled member.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any Temporary Fishing Licenses sold pursuant to this Resolution shall expire on December 31, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, all other provisions of the Comprehensive Conservation Law shall remain in full force and effect except to the extent any such provisions shall conflict with the temporary amendments contained in this Resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the temporary amendments contained in this Resolution shall expire and be of no further force or effect on January 1, 2026.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the foregoing extract is a true and correct copy from the minutes of the Regular Session of Council of the Seneca Nation of Indians held on June 14, 2025, on the Cattaraugus Territory, original of which is on file in the Clerk's Office of the Seneca Nation of Indians.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal to be affixed at the William Seneca Building, on the Cattaraugus Territory, on the 14th day of June 2025.

ATTEST:

  
LENITH K. WATERMAN, CLERK  
SENECA NATION OF INDIANS

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