

**Governor's Approval**  
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**DIGEST**

Under [IC 4-22-2-37.2](#), the Governor has given the Department of Natural Resources approval to publish an Interim Rule concerning the establishment of a river otter trapping season in Indiana.

***Letter of Governor's Approval dated May 24, 2024:***

Mr. Daniel Bortner  
Director  
Indiana Department of Natural Resources  
402 W. Washington St., Room W256  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Director Bortner:

Pursuant to the provisions of [IC 4-22-2-37.2](#), and your authority under [IC 4-22-2.3-3](#), the Governor has reviewed the proposed interim rules you submitted that seek to modify [312 IAC 9](#) (Fish and Wildlife) pertaining to: (1) Deer Hunting Seasons; (2) River Otter Trapping Season; and (3) Invasive Carp Harvesting Permits (collectively, the "Interim Rules").

The Governor hereby finds that, pursuant to [IC 4-22-2-37.2](#) and [IC 4-22-2.3-3](#): (i) the proposed interim rules are necessary and appropriate under the circumstances; and (ii) you are authorized to "adopt interim rules under the interim rule procedures in [IC 4-22-2-37.2](#) to temporarily modify or suspend a rule described in [IC 14-22-2-6](#) (fish and wildlife rules)."

Accordingly, the Department of Natural Resources may proceed with the Interim Rules.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Heerens  
General Counsel

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