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Under IC 4-22-2-3, the Natural Resources Commission intends to adopt a rule concerning the following:

OVERVIEW: Amends 312 IAC 2-4 that governs organized activities and tournaments on public waters. A definition for "major organized boating activity" is added, and the regulation of a major organized boating activity is placed under 312 IAC 5-3. Identifies the division of law enforcement as the administering division for 312 IAC 2-4. Additional factors are included for the division to consider in evaluating a license for fishing tournaments, and additional duties are defined for license holders. Section addressing bonds and user fees is repealed. The department's fall consideration of tournament applications is limited to the next season rather than the next two seasons. Lake Wawasee and Syracuse Lake in Kosciusko County are added to the public waters for which the sponsor of a fishing tournament must obtain a license, and specific numerical limitations are established for tournament activities on these lakes. Amendments are made to 312 IAC 5-3 to provide consistent administration with 312 IAC 2-4. Makes other substantive and technical changes. Questions or comments may be directed to slucas@dnr.state.in.us or by telephone at 317-233-3322. Statutory authority: IC 14-10-2-4; IC 14-15-7-3.