

# ONTARIO FEDERATION OF ANGLERS & HUNTERS



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Mr. Marc Desjardins  
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Dear Marc:

**Subject: Proposed Atlantic Salmon Regulation Change for Fisheries Management Zones 16 & 17**

On behalf of the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH), its 100,000 members, subscribers and supporters, and 725 member clubs, we are writing in strong support of the proposed changes to the fishing seasons and limits for Atlantic Salmon in Fisheries Management Zones (FMZ) 16 and 17.

As you know, the OFAH is the lead partner with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) in the Lake Ontario Atlantic Salmon Restoration Program, as well as sitting on the advisory council for FMZ 17 and the Credit River Fisheries Management Plan Implementation Committee. OFAH staff participated in the 2014 science review of the program and subsequent management workshop, and we agree with the four rationales presented to support the proposed changes.

The OFAH will continue to work with and support the MNRF and other program partners in collecting information on returning adults and promoting proper fish identification and handling practices. We also look forward to the stream fishing opportunities created for anglers by these changes.

Yours in Conservation,

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