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Minnesota Division Izaak Walton League of America and Regulatory Principles

Periodic reform of our regulatory frame-work as it may pertain to our use of natural resources is a desirable and necessary function of state government.

Such review and any changes resulting; must be part of a process that is broadly inclusive. Recent actions by the Governor (speed up the process), and, the legislature (re-write standards, provide special exemptions) may endanger the core integrity of the Minnesota regulatory frame-work.

The League does support reform that emphasizes reduction of unnecessary redundancy.

The League does support reform that undertakes effective strategies and priorities based on the severity of the risk.

The League does support reform that endeavors to efficiently work with permit / project applicants without compromising resource protection.

The League opposes reform that is not science based.

The League opposes reform that seeks to limit citizen access.

The League opposes regulatory reform that weakens our environmental protections.

This resolution re-affirms long standing principles that have guided the Minnesota regulatory frame-work.

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