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Mayor Jennifer Naughton
Spring Lake Council
Spring Lake, NJ 07762

Re: 2019 Kids Fishing Contest

Dear Mayor & Council:

The Shark River Surf Anglers fishing club of Belmar would once again like to request the Council's permission to hold our annual children's trout fishing contest at Spring Lake on Saturday April 6, 2019. The event would begin at 8 AM, conclude at 1:30PM, and be open to all children ages 15 and under.

Our club will donate and arrange for stocking of approximately 500 "trophy-size" trout into the lake during the week prior to the contest. The stocking is approved by the New Jersey Division of Fish & Game and is coordinated with a New Jersey trout hatchery. We are aware that the American Legion also hosts an annual contest at the lake, and we will work in conjunction with them to enhance the fishing contest opportunities and experiences that weekend.

In 2018, we added a new feature to the event that we would like to continue again this year. A portion of the lake gets designated as "Child Anglers Only", where adults (age 16 & over) are not allowed to fish independently for themselves during the hours of the contest. The target area would be from the bridge at the monuments at Mercer Avenue through the eastern part of the lake. With support from the NJ DEP, NJ Division of Fish & Game, and the Spring Lake police, this measure was highly successful last year and was applauded by many of our participants. The diagram on page two provides an illustration of this special zone.

As in the past, the club would like to set up event tents at the lake during the contest, where club members will be available to answer questions or to assist anyone who needs fishing instruction or guidance. Participants will be asked to bring their catches to our tent for verification, prize redemption, and photo opportunities. Also, we would like to have comfort stations on hand for the event, with some designated as "Men's" and some as "Women's". The club will handle all arrangements for such "portapotties" to be delivered, maintained, and picked-up. Lastly, please note that The Shark River Surf Anglers club is a fully insured organization and will provide insurance coverage on the day of the fishing contest.

We hope that you share our enthusiasm for the event and approve our request. If there are any administrative measures that need to be handled, please let me know and we will comply. Our club tremendously appreciates the continued support of the Mayor, the Town Council, all Borough Employees, the Police and Fire Departments, and the residents of Spring Lake. Thank you for your time.

Gregory Hueth
Trout Contest Chairman

2019 Trout Contest for Kids – “Child Anglers Only” Proposal

During the hours of the Trout Contest for Kids, 8 AM to 1:30 PM on Saturday April 6 2019:

The area of the lake shaded in red would be designated as “Child Anglers Only”. Adults will be permitted to assist children in the act of fishing, but cannot fish independently for their own benefit.

The area of the lake shaded in blue would be open to all anglers.

