COMMISSIONER'S ORDER NO. 150-91 Natural Resources

A Commissioner's Order to regulate the opening and closing of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians Wild Rice Gathering Season for the year 1991.

WHEREAS: the Commissioner of Natural Resources has the power to open

and close wild rice gathering within the jurisdiction of the Mille

Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians, through Band Statute

1162-MLC-50, Section 3, and;

WHEREAS: members of the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians rely on the

gathering of wild rice for food and religious purposes, and;

WHEREAS: the taking of wild rice should be done with the preservation of

the rice bed foremost, and;

WHEREAS: the harvesting of ripe rice is essential to the preservation of the

rice bed.

NOW THEREFORE, by the authority vested in me by the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians under tribal law, I, Don Wedll, Commissioner

of Natural Resources for the Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians hereby prescribe the following opening and closing dates for harvesting wild rice within the jurisdiction of the

Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians:

Ricing hours will be between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on lakes open to ricing.

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<u>Lake</u>	Opening	Closing
Ogechie Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Onamia Lake	Be Determine	September 30, 1991
Shakopee Lake	Be Determine	September 30, 1991
Whitefish Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Band Accesses		
Mallard Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Dean Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Sandy Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Deer Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Minnewawa Lake	August 24	September 30, 1991
Swamp Lake	Closed	

All lakes that are posted closed will remain closed until they are opened.

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DATED at Vineland, Minnesota this 23th day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one.

Commissioner of Natural Resources

APPROVED AND NUMBERED AS TO FORM AND EXECUTION

Solicitor General

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