

1 V. SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES:

2 Table S1: Number of respondents and response rates by administrative regions of residence,
 3 excluding mailed surveys that were returned as undeliverable (n=212).

	Central	Northeast	Northwest	South	Non-MN residence
N sent	2141	509	483	582	73
Responded	410	92	66	92	11
Rate	19%	18%	14%	15%	15%

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5 Table S2: P-values for pairwise comparisons of response rates from the various administrative
 6 regions in among surveyed Minnesota anglers. Bonferroni correction has been applied.

	Central	Northeast	Northwest	Out of state
Northeast	1.00	-	-	-
Northwest	0.25	1.00	-	-
Out of state	0.64	1.00	1.00	-
South	0.67	1.00	1.00	1.00

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8 Table S3 Proportion of baitfish users (n=481) reporting illegal release of live baitfish by age
 9 category among surveyed anglers with Minnesota annual fishing licenses

Age Group (in years)	Survey weight (population proportion/sample proportion)	Proportion reporting illegal release
18-39	1.47	0.24
40-49	0.91	0.15
50-59	0.64	0.17
60-69	0.53	0.18
70+	0.45	0.12
	Weighted average	0.19

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12 Table S4 Ranges for approximate number of live baitfish of each species per scoop. When
13 anglers reported purchasing a “scoop” of live baitfish, we estimated the number of that species
14 purchased using a uniform distribution bounded by the estimated ranges provided below (Barry
15 Thoele, Lincoln Bait, April 2020, St. Paul MN).

Species	Number (min-max)
“Rainbows” (redbelly dace) <i>Chrosomus eos</i>	25-30
Fathead minnows <i>Pimephales promelas</i>	30-36

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