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**To:** Rosscarbery-RouryByeLaw  
**Subject:** Public consultation – Rosscarbery & Roury (Sea Trout & Brown Trout)

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to you in relation to the Public Consultation: No. 5 or Cork Fisheries District, Rosscarbery Bay & Roury River, (Sea Trout & Brown Trout Angling) Bye Law.

Bandon Angling Association is in firm favour of the proposals set out by Inland Fisheries Ireland.

A similar bye law was introduced on the Bandon River below Innishannon Bridge and this has since benefitted the river's stock of sea trout. Sea trout kelts feed ravenously as they recondition after the rigours of spawning and it was not uncommon to hear of large numbers of sea trout taken by anglers on a daily basis. Spent sea trout were easy targets on the tidal section of the Bandon, and this has been replicated in Rosscarbery Bay and the River Roury.

To the best of our knowledge, genetic studies have not been undertaken in the Rosscarbery Bay area to determine the origin of sea trout swimming in its waters. Therefore, sea trout killed in this area may be native to a number of rivers flowing into the sea close to this locality. Protecting sea trout in this area could potentially benefit stocks of sea trout destined for rivers elsewhere also.

We hope this bye law is approved and initiated at a time deemed appropriate by Inland Fisheries Ireland.