

Ban on Treble Hooks in Catch and Release Stream Sections in Missouri

1 WHEREAS, treble hooks increase mortality rates in fish which die after being released;
2 AND WHEREAS, these mortality rates can sometimes be caused by the excessive handling of
3 a fish when trying to release that fish from a treble hook;
4 AND WHEREAS, these mortality rates are unnecessary given the opportunity to use less
5 hazardous fishing hooks;
6 AND WHEREAS, a ban on the use of treble hooks in catch and release stream sections
7 would improve mortality rates of released fish.
8 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conservation Federation of Missouri,
9 assembled at the Lodge of Four Seasons this 27th day of February, 2010 recommends a ban on
10 treble hooks in catch and release stream sections in Missouri.