

# 2009 Fall Netting Season

## Gill netting period

*Gill Nets may be set beginning October 17, to December 31, 2009*

### Lakes open to gill netting

1. Big Bass (Mahnommen County)	9. North Twin
2. Big Elbow	10. Pike
3. Gull	11. Roy
4. Ice Cracking	12. Big Rush
5. Island (Mahnommen County)	13. Snider
6. Little Bemidji	14. Strawberry
7. McCraney	15. South Twin
8. Net	16. Tulaby

### Lakes open to gill netting under Special Regulation

1. Many Point
2. Round
3. White Earth

### Special Regulation gill netting Period

*Gill Nets may be set beginning November 7, to December 6, 2009.*

### Special Regulation netting restrictions

1. Gill Nets must be checked at least once every twenty four hours.
2. Gill Nets must be set such that both ends are in water less than ten feet deep as measured from the lake bottom to the surface of the water or ice.
3. Gill net dimensions, General Rules, Location, Markings and Limits are the same as listed below.

#### Note:

Efforts to restore Lake Sturgeon in White Earth Lake and Round Lake have included dam alterations to allow fish passage and the stocking of fingerlings.

Please measure and report the total length of any live Lake Sturgeon caught in your net and return them to the lake. Please contact The Natural Resources Department and report any Sturgeon Mortality.

## **Gill net dimensions**

1. Gill nets cannot exceed 200 feet in length.
2. Gill nets cannot exceed 6 feet in depth.
3. Mesh size cannot be less than four inch stretched, two inch bar.

### **General**

1. The sale of game fish is prohibited.
2. It is prohibited to possess or harvest Lake Sturgeon.
3. No more than two hundred feet of gill net per tribal member.
4. It is prohibited to disturb, move, obstruct or interfere with any gill net of any tribal member, unless that tribal member is present.
5. Gill nets must be checked at least once every seventy two hours.
6. Tribal members must have in their possession a White Earth Tribal Identification Card and a current Harvest Permit.

### **Location**

1. Gill nets must be set such that one end is in water less than ten feet deep, as measured from the lake bottom to the surface of the water or ice.
2. Gill nets shall not be placed in, or within three hundred feet of a river channel, stream, inlet or outlet of a lake.
3. Gill nets shall not be set within fifty feet of a previously set net.

### **Markings**

1. Gill nets must be clearly visible from the surface of the water or ice and marked with a float, buoy, pole or flag at both ends.
2. The name and enrollment number of the tribal member must appear or be attached to both ends of the gill net.

### **Limits**

1. No limit on the amount of tullibee, whitefish or rough fish.
2. Incidental game fish may be kept.