

ANGLER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

I, the undersigned angler participating in tournament fishing within the confines of the Ross Barnett Reservoir and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District, hereby agree to be bound by and comply with all rules and regulations of the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District and decisions of the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District Board of Directors regarding the presence of the aquatic invasive species *Salvinia Molesta* within the confines of the Ross Barnett Reservoir and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District. I hereby state my understanding that the aquatic invasive species *Salvinia Molesta* has been found in the confines of the Ross Barnett Reservoir and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District.

Pursuant to that finding, the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District Board of Directors, on October 18, 2019, declared an emergency existed in Pelahatchie Bay due to the presence of *Salvinia Molesta* and restricted fishing in Pelahatchie Bay. Moreover, undersigned angler understands that the District has issued an Emergency Closing Order for certain portions of Pelahatchie Bay pursuant to Part 203, Chapter 7, Rule 7.3 of the *Rules and Regulations of the Ross Barnett Reservoir*. More specifically, angler understands that tournament fishing of any kind is prohibited in Pelahatchie Bay. Angler hereby agrees to comply with the October 18, 2019 Emergency Declaration of the Board of Directors and Rule 7.3 regarding emergency closing due to the presence of *Salvinia Molesta* within the confines of the Ross Barnett Reservoir and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District.

Furthermore, angler, in addition to any and all tournament regulations put in place by the tournament sponsor, hereby agrees and pledges to protect aquatic resources within the Ross Barnett Reservoir by participating in the *Clean! Drain! Dry!* program established by the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District. Undersigned angler hereby agrees to the following during any tournament participation within the confines of the Ross Barnett Reservoir and the Pearl River Valley Water Supply District. Angler hereby agrees to:

1. Inspect the angler’s trailer, motor, and boat for aquatic invasive species, including *Salvinia Molesta*;
2. Clean any and all aquatic vegetation from the angler’s trailer, motor, and boat;
3. Drain any water from the watercraft’s bilge, live wells, and motor;
4. Wash and dry any boat or watercraft and trailer upon exit from the Ross Barnett Reservoir and prior to launching again in the Ross Barnett Reservoir or any other body of water; and
5. To inform any and all other anglers and boaters of the importance of aquatic invasive species prevention including the dangers of *Salvinia Molesta*.

The undersigned angler/boater hereby understands that violation of this Agreement will result in expulsion from the tournament, the waters of the Ross Barnett Reservoir, and possible prosecution of a misdemeanor punishable by fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) pursuant to *Pearl River Valley Water Supply District Rule and Regulation, Part 203, Chapter 7, Rule 7.6*.

Angler Signature

Angler Printed Name

Date

Angler Address

Angler Email