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## To Whom It Concerns:

I am emailing you about Region 2 and the KHSAA State Championship being held on the same lake, Lake Cumberland. I would recommend you change Region 2 to a different lake. If you don't have enough time to relocate Region 2 this year, and since there is a rotation between Kentucky Lake and Lake Cumberland, I would recommend moving the State Championship back to Kentucky Lake this coming year. Which would give you enough time to make the right decision on the Region 2 location.

If Region 2 allows the same lake for the Regional and State Championships, it will undoubtedly gain an unfair advantage over the other regions. To put it in perspective, imagine if one region were to host the Golf Regional at the same location as the State Championship. It's clear that this region would have a significant advantage over the others. It's our collective responsibility to ensure a level playing field for all participants. Allowing Region 2 and the State Championship on the same lake could jeopardize the integrity and fairness of the sport.

I hope that this is really considered and thought through because any fisherman knows the advantage of being able to put all your time and effort into practicing and competing on the same lake. Especially with the region and state being less than two weeks apart, this will allow those fishing in Region 2 an advantage by knowing the fishing patterns and locations. I would NOT recommend allowing Region 1 to fish Kentucky Lake during regionals because this would be unfair to all other regions.

Region 1 had restrictions not to fish State Championship waters for 12 years during the Regional Championships. Also, you were not allowed to fish Lake Barkley at the State Championship, the same waters as the Region 1 Championship.

I want to assure you that I'm not here to simply complain about the State Championship. I understand the concerns and considerations that go into these decisions. However, I believe it's important to discuss the potential impact of having the Region and State Championship on the same lake.

Thank you again, and I hope you understand my concerns.

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