

by the artificial feeding that must be done. Waste feed and fish feces accumulate on the pond bed and must be periodically cleaned out. Therefore, the ponds must be designed for draining and with other features to

aid in cleaning. Even then, removal of wastes can be a major project.

Whatever the type of fish-farming or fee-fishing enterprise, a state permit is needed in Michigan. Contact the DNR Fisheries Division early in

the planning stage to see what regulations apply to the proposed operation. See Appendix for a list of DNR offices.