Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
Fisheries Management STANDARD LAKE SURVEY REPORT

Survey Type: Population Assessment<br>Survey ID Date: 08/14/2012

## Lake Identification



## Lake Access

(Information based on Population Assessment dated 08/13/2007)

| Station ID | Ownership | Public Use | Type | Location / Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AC-1 | City | Open to Public use | Concrete | Three ramps, two fishing piers, picinic area, fish cleaning house \& rest rooms available at this facility. <br> Fee charged for camping. |

## Lake Characteristics

Lake Area (planimetered acres): 1210.00 GIS Lake Area (acres): 1212.25 DOW Lake Area (acres): 599.00

Littoral Area (acres): 564.00
Area in MN (acres): 1212.25
Maximum Depth (feet): 73.0
Mean Depth (feet): N/A

GIS Shoreline Length (miles): 18.12
Maximum Fetch (miles): 2.00
Fetch Orientation (degrees): 22
USGS Quad Map Number: H21c
USGS Quad 24K GIS Index: 1541

## Watershed Characteristics

| Major Watershed |  | Minor Watershed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Name: St. Louis River |  | Name: Partridge R |
| Watershed Number: 3 |  | Watershed Number: 149 |
| Watershed size (acres): | 1,831,462 | Watershed size (acres): 12,151 |

Surveys And Investigations

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            Initial Survey: 09/05/1950.
            Re-Survey: 06/03/2002, 08/05/1985, 08/20/1968.
    Population Assessment: 08/14/2012, 08/13/2007, 06/23/1997, 08/20/1992, 08/08/1988, 08/21/1986, 08/11/1981,
                        08/09/1977, 08/06/1968, 07/18/1968, 09/22/1967.
    External Management Survey: 07/18/2007.
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Fish Diseases And Parasites

|  | Number of Fish Examined |  |  | Examination Results |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Species Examined | Internally | Externally | In Lab | Condition Observed | Number of Fish |
| black crappie | - | 18 | - | None observed | 18 |
| bluegill | - | 60 | - | None observed | 4 |
|  |  |  |  | Neascus (Black Spot) | 56 |
| largemouth bass | 4 | 4 | - | None observed | 7 |
|  |  |  |  | Neascus (Black Spot) | 1 |
| northern pike | 52 | 2 | - | None observed | 32 |
|  |  |  |  | Gill parasites | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | Neascus (Black Spot) | 22 |
| walleye | 74 | - | - | None observed | 72 |
|  |  |  |  | Neascus (Black Spot) | 2 |

Dissolved Oxygen And Temperature Profile Of Lake Water

| Station ID | Sampling Date | Bottom Depth (Feet) | Sample Depth (Feet) | Water <br> Temperature ( ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ ) | Dissolved Oxygen (ppm) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WQ - 1 | 08/14/2012 | 70.0 | Surface | 73.0 | 8.9 |
|  |  |  | 3.0 | 72.3 | 8.9 |
|  |  |  | 6.0 | 72.3 | 8.8 |
|  |  |  | 9.0 | 72.1 | 8.8 |
|  |  |  | 12.0 | 72.1 | 8.7 |
|  |  |  | 15.0 | 72.1 | 8.6 |
|  |  |  | 18.0 | 72.0 | 8.5 |
|  |  |  | 21.0 | 71.6 | 7.3 |
|  |  |  | 22.0 | 70.7 | 6.1 |
|  |  |  | 23.0 | 68.7 | 3.4 |
|  |  |  | 24.0 | 65.8 | 0.7 |
|  |  |  | 30.0 | 60.3 | 0.5 |
|  |  |  | 40.0 | 54.1 | 1.2 |
|  |  |  | 50.0 | 49.3 | 2.2 |
|  |  |  | 60.0 | 46.6 | 0.3 |

## Field Measurements Of Water Quality

| Station ID | Sampling Date | Sample Depth (Feet) | Secchi <br> Depth <br> (Feet) | Field pH | Alkalinity (ppm) | Water Color | Color Cause |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WQ-1 | 08/14/2012 | Surface | 13.0 | 7.80 | 51 | Clear | N/A |

## Net Catch Summary by Numbers for GN

## Standard gill net sets

Number of Sets: 9<br>First Set Date: 08/14/2012<br>Last Lift Date: 08/17/2012<br>Target Species: N/A

| Abbr | Species | Total Fish | Number Per Set | Quartiles for Lake Class 7* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 25\% | 50\% | 75\% |
| BLB | Black Bullhead | 1 | 0.11 | 42.08 | 42.82 | 130.27 |
| BLC | Black Crappie | 24 | 2.67 | 0.21 | 0.50 | 1.40 |
| BLG | Bluegill | 121 | 13.44 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| BRB | Brown Bullhead | 1 | 0.11 | 9.36 | 13.83 | 25.82 |
| BUB | Burbot | 1 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 0.20 | 1.30 |
| CCF | Channel Catfish | 1 | 0.11 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| HSF | Hybrid Sunfish | 3 | 0.33 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| LMB | Largemouth Bass | 7 | 0.78 | 0.18 | 0.40 | 0.81 |
| NOP | Northern Pike | 57 | 6.33 | 1.21 | 2.08 | 3.59 |
| PMK | Pumpkinseed | 12 | 1.33 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| RKB | Rock Bass | 23 | 2.56 | 0.50 | 1.04 | 2.20 |
| WAE | Walleye | 76 | 8.44 | 3.06 | 6.24 | 9.80 |
| WTS | White Sucker | 26 | 2.89 | 2.83 | 4.06 | 6.66 |
| YEB | Yellow Bullhead | 4 | 0.44 | N/A | 0.28 | N/A |
| YEP | Yellow Perch | 43 | 4.78 | 1.88 | 4.00 | 7.13 |
|  |  | Total Fish/Set: | 44.44 | * Quartil | r Number | Set |

## Net Catch Summary by Weight for GN

## Standard gill net sets

| Abbr | Species | Total Weight (Pounds) | Pounds <br> Per Set | Mean Weight | Quartiles for Lake Class 7* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | 25\% | 50\% | 75\% |
| BLB | Black Bullhead | 0.26 | 0.03 | 0.26 | 0.46 | 0.49 | 0.51 |
| BLC | Black Crappie | 2.39 | 0.27 | 0.10 | 0.17 | 0.27 | 0.46 |
| BLG | Bluegill | 25.37 | 2.82 | 0.21 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| BRB | Brown Bullhead | 1.58 | 0.18 | 1.58 | 0.41 | 0.50 | 0.53 |
| BUB | Burbot | 1.52 | 0.17 | 1.52 | 0.50 | 1.00 | 1.50 |
| CCF | Channel Catfish | 4.41 | 0.49 | 4.41 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| HSF | Hybrid Sunfish | 0.72 | 0.08 | 0.24 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| LMB | Largemouth Bass | 8.79 | 0.98 | 1.26 | 0.89 | 1.07 | 1.29 |
| NOP | Northern Pike | 109.25 | 12.14 | 1.92 | 1.93 | 2.74 | 3.61 |
| PMK | Pumpkinseed | 1.34 | 0.15 | 0.11 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| RKB | Rock Bass | 5.52 | 0.61 | 0.24 | 0.21 | 0.30 | 0.38 |
| WAE | Walleye | 109.32 | 12.15 | 1.44 | 0.68 | 0.88 | 1.25 |
| WTS | White Sucker | 42.87 | 4.76 | 1.65 | 1.29 | 1.69 | 2.00 |
| YEB | Yellow Bullhead | 3.32 | 0.37 | 0.83 | N/A | 1.53 | N/A |
| YEP | Yellow Perch | 7.64 | 0.85 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 0.18 | 0.25 |
| Total Pounds Fish/Set: |  |  | 36.03 | * Quartiles for Mean Weight |  |  |  |

## Net Catch Summary by Numbers for TN

Standard 3/4-in mesh, double frame trap net sets

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Number of Sets: }1
    First Set Date: 08/14/2012
    Last Lift Date: 08/17/2012
Target Species: N/A
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| Abbr | Species | Total Fish | Number Per Set | Quartiles for Lake Class 7* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 25\% | 50\% | 75\% |
| BLC | Black Crappie | 18 | 1.50 | 1.65 | 2.56 | 3.25 |
| BLG | Bluegill | 258 | 21.50 | 0.75 | 3.21 | 8.69 |
| HSF | Hybrid Sunfish | 18 | 1.50 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| LMB | Largemouth Bass | 4 | 0.33 | 0.09 | 0.13 | 0.72 |
| NOP | Northern Pike | 16 | 1.33 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| PMK | Pumpkinseed | 3 | 0.25 | 0.51 | 1.60 | 3.40 |
| RKB | Rock Bass | 1 | 0.08 | 0.30 | 0.60 | 0.95 |
| WAE | Walleye | 6 | 0.50 | 0.32 | 0.60 | 1.25 |
| WTS | White Sucker | 10 | 0.83 | 0.33 | 0.90 | 3.00 |
| YEB | Yellow Bullhead | 6 | 0.50 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| YEP | Yellow Perch | 6 | 0.50 | 0.40 | 0.83 | 1.94 |
|  |  | Total Fish/Set: | 28.83 | * Quartiles for Number Per Set |  |  |

## Net Catch Summary by Weight for TN

Standard 3/4-in mesh, double frame trap net sets

| Abbr | Species | Total Weight (Pounds) | Pounds <br> Per Set | Mean Weight | Quartiles for Lake Class 7* |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | 25\% | 50\% | 75\% |
| BLC | Black Crappie | 5.46 | 0.46 | 0.30 | 0.24 | 0.41 | 0.75 |
| BLG | Bluegill | 43.52 | 3.63 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.26 | 0.34 |
| HSF | Hybrid Sunfish | 5.27 | 0.44 | 0.29 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| LMB | Largemouth Bass | 0.52 | 0.04 | 0.13 | 0.10 | 0.21 | 0.95 |
| NOP | Northern Pike | 23.04 | 1.92 | 1.44 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| PMK | Pumpkinseed | 0.67 | 0.06 | 0.22 | 0.14 | 0.17 | 0.29 |
| RKB | Rock Bass | 0.34 | 0.03 | 0.34 | 0.19 | 0.22 | 0.32 |
| WAE | Walleye | 22.90 | 1.91 | 3.82 | 0.47 | 0.85 | 1.39 |
| WTS | White Sucker | 28.74 | 2.39 | 2.87 | 1.81 | 2.00 | 2.83 |
| YEB | Yellow Bullhead | 5.61 | 0.47 | 0.93 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| YEP | Yellow Perch | 2.34 | 0.20 | 0.39 | 0.14 | 0.19 | 0.27 |
| Total Pounds Fish/Set: |  |  | 11.53 |  | * Quartiles for Mean Weight |  |  |

## Length Frequency Distribution For GN

## Standard gill net sets

(Field work conducted between 08/14/2012 and 08/17/2012)

|  | BLB | BLC | BLG | BRB | BUB | CCF | HSF | LMB | NOP | PMK | RKB | WAE | WTS | YEB | YEP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| < 3.00 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3.00-3.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3.50-3.99 | - | - | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4.00-4.49 | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4.50-4.99 | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5.00-5.49 | - | 1 | 7 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 1 | - | - | - | 2 |
| 5.50-5.99 | - | 6 | 16 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | - | 7 |
| 6.00-6.49 | - | 6 | 28 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 2 | 5 | - | - | - | 10 |
| 6.50-6.99 | - | 3 | 25 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 5 | - | 1 | - | 6 |
| 7.00-7.49 | - | 1 | 22 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | - | - | 4 |
| 7.50-7.99 | 1 | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | 2 |
| 8.00-8.49 | - | - | 4 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | - | 4 |
| 8.50-8.99 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| 9.00-9.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 9.50-9.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - |
| 10.00-10.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 10.50-10.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 11.00-11.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 2 | 1 | - |
| 11.50-11.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| 12.00-12.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | - | - | 6 | - | - | - |
| 13.00-13.99 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 2 | 2 | 1 | - |
| 14.00-14.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | 3 | - | - | 4 | - | - | - |
| 15.00-15.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 | - | - | 7 | - | - | - |
| 16.00-16.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | - | 11 | 3 | - | - |
| 17.00-17.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 3 | 5 | - | - |
| 18.00-18.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 6 | - | - | 9 | 4 | - | - |
| 19.00-19.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 8 | - | - | - |
| 20.00-20.99 | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | 8 | - | - | 2 | 3 | - | - |
| 21.00-21.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| 22.00-22.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 23.00-23.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 24.00-24.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 25.00-25.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 26.00-26.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 27.00-27.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 28.00-28.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 29.00-29.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 30.00-30.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 31.00-31.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 32.00-32.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 33.00-33.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 34.00-34.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 35.00-35.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| $=>36.00$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | BLB | BLC | BLG | BRB | BUB | CCF | HSF | LMB | NOP | PMK | RKB | WAE | WTS | YEB | YEP |
| Total | 1 | 24 | 121 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 57 | 12 | 23 | 76 | 26 | 4 | 43 |
| Min. Length | 7.87 | 4.13 | 3.54 | 13.86 | 18.58 | 20.87 | 5.91 | 6.69 | 11.34 | 3.54 | 5.39 | 7.32 | 6.97 | 10.04 | 5.12 |
| Max. Length | 7.87 | 7.32 | 8.86 | 13.86 | 18.58 | 20.87 | 7.44 | 18.31 | 33.35 | 6.30 | 8.35 | 26.22 | 20.75 | 13.19 | 10.83 |
| Mean Length | 7.87 | 5.64 | 6.33 | 13.86 | 18.58 | 20.87 | 6.48 | 12.01 | 19.77 | 4.97 | 6.77 | 15.20 | 15.04 | 11.24 | 7.22 |
| \# Measured | 1 | 24 | 121 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 57 | 12 | 23 | 76 | 26 | 4 | 43 |
| No Lengths for | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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## Length Frequency Distribution For TN

## Standard 3/4-in mesh, double frame trap net sets

(Field work conducted between 08/14/2012 and 08/17/2012)

|  | BLC | BLG | HSF | LMB | NOP | PMK | RKB | WAE | WTS | YEB | YEP |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| < 3.00 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| 3.00-3.49 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3.50-3.99 | - | 24 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4.00-4.49 | - | 17 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 4.50-4.99 | - | 14 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5.00-5.49 | 1 | 19 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 5.50-5.99 | 2 | 44 | - | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 6.00-6.49 | 4 | 46 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 6.50-6.99 | 4 | 47 | 4 | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| 7.00-7.49 | 2 | 32 | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 7.50-7.99 | - | 9 | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 1 | - |
| 8.00-8.49 | - | 3 | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| 8.50-8.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 9.00-9.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| 9.50-9.99 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 10.00-10.49 | 2 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 10.50-10.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 11.00-11.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| 11.50-11.99 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 |
| 12.00-12.99 | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 | - |
| 13.00-13.99 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | 1 | - | 1 | - |
| 14.00-14.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 15.00-15.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| 16.00-16.99 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| 17.00-17.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| 18.00-18.99 | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | 2 | - | - |
| 19.00-19.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | 4 | - | - |
| 20.00-20.99 | - | - | - | - | 2 | - | - | 2 | - | - | - |
| 21.00-21.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 22.00-22.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| 23.00-23.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 24.00-24.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 25.00-25.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 26.00-26.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| 27.00-27.99 | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 28.00-28.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 29.00-29.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 30.00-30.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 31.00-31.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 32.00-32.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 33.00-33.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 34.00-34.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 35.00-35.99 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| $=>36.00$ | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  | BLC | BLG | HSF | LMB | NOP | PMK | RKB | WAE | WTS | YEB | YEP |
| Total | 18 | 257 | 18 | 4 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 6 |
| Min. Length | 5.12 | 3.43 | 6.06 | 5.35 | 10.83 | 5.35 | 7.56 | 13.70 | 15.12 | 7.68 | 1.73 |
| Max. Length | 12.20 | 8.27 | 7.68 | 8.19 | 27.56 | 7.64 | 7.56 | 26.38 | 22.44 | 13.58 | 11.73 |
| Mean Length | 7.65 | 5.91 | 7.03 | 6.22 | 18.07 | 6.55 | 7.56 | 21.48 | 18.76 | 11.42 | 7.52 |
| \# Measured | 18 | 232 | 18 | 4 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 5 |
| No Lengths for | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

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## Length At Capture With Last Incremental Length

(Body-Scale constant, all lengths, and all length increments in inches)
Species: Black Crappie
Body-Scale Constant: 0.79
Total Sample Size: 18
Length at Capture in $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ for Each Age Class, with Incremental Lengths for 2012

| Year Class | Age | Sampl eSize | Length At Capture |  |  | Standard Error | Length Increments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Average Length | Maximum Length | Minimum Length |  | Increment | Standard Error |
| 2011 | 1 | 2 | 5.67 | 6.22 | 5.12 | 0.551 | 2.52 | 0.180 |
| 2010 | 2 | 11 | 6.53 | 7.28 | 5.79 | 0.148 | 2.74 | 0.098 |
| 2009 | 3 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 10.30 | 10.35 | 10.24 | 0.059 | 1.86 | 0.012 |
| 2007 | 5 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 2 | 10.89 | 11.97 | 9.80 | 1.083 | 0.84 | 0.453 |
| 2005 | 7 | 1 | 12.20 | 12.20 | 12.20 | N/A | 0.67 | N/A |

Species: Bluegill
Body-Scale Constant: 0.79
Total Sample Size: 60
Length at Capture in 2012 for Each Age Class, with Incremental Lengths for 2012

| Year <br> Class | Age | Sampl eSize | Length At Capture |  |  | Standard Error | Length Increments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Average Length | Maximum Length | Minimum Length |  | Increment | Standard Error |
| 2010 | 2 | 10 | 3.74 | 4.17 | 3.43 | 0.077 | 1.25 | 0.049 |
| 2009 | 3 | 3 | 4.34 | 4.49 | 4.25 | 0.073 | 0.92 | 0.110 |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 4.45 | 4.69 | 4.21 | 0.236 | 0.88 | 0.034 |
| 2007 | 5 | 12 | 5.17 | 5.63 | 4.69 | 0.096 | 0.79 | 0.063 |
| 2006 | 6 | 17 | 6.33 | 7.56 | 5.28 | 0.151 | 0.70 | 0.046 |
| 2005 | 7 | 8 | 7.01 | 7.87 | 6.10 | 0.237 | 0.54 | 0.050 |
| 2004 | 8 | 6 | 7.55 | 8.15 | 6.97 | 0.196 | 0.43 | 0.024 |
| 2003 | 9 | 2 | 7.68 | 8.27 | 7.09 | 0.591 | 0.36 | 0.043 |

## Species: Largemouth Bass

Body-Scale Constant: 0.79
Total Sample Size: 9
Length at Capture in 2012 for Each Age Class, with Incremental Lengths for 2012

| Year <br> Class | Age | Sampl eSize | Length At Capture |  |  | Standard Error | Length Increments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Average Length | Maximum Length | Minimum Length |  | Increment | Standard Error |
| 2011 | 1 | 4 | 5.85 | 6.69 | 5.35 | 0.292 | 3.11 | 0.260 |
| 2010 | 2 | 2 | 8.54 | 8.90 | 8.19 | 0.354 | 2.52 | 0.272 |
| 2009 | 3 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 10.96 | 12.80 | 9.13 | 1.831 | 1.60 | 0.215 |
| 2007 | 5 | 0 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 1 | 14.17 | 14.17 | 14.17 | N/A | 1.24 | N/A |

## Length At Capture With Last Incremental Length (Continued)

Species: Northern Pike
Body-Scale Constant: 2.09
Total Sample Size: 54
Length at Capture in $\mathbf{2 0 1 2}$ for Each Age Class, with Incremental Lengths for 2012

| Year Class | Age | Sampl eSize | Length At Capture |  |  | Standard Error | Length Increments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Average Length | Maximum Length | Minimum Length |  | Increment | Standard Error |
| 2011 | 1 | 4 | 12.65 | 13.54 | 11.34 | 0.466 | 3.57 | 0.727 |
| 2010 | 2 | 13 | 15.71 | 19.49 | 13.19 | 0.479 | 2.84 | 0.253 |
| 2009 | 3 | 9 | 18.46 | 21.10 | 15.79 | 0.714 | 2.54 | 0.342 |
| 2008 | 4 | 17 | 21.53 | 29.29 | 17.80 | 0.630 | 1.78 | 0.193 |
| 2007 | 5 | 8 | 23.72 | 28.03 | 20.47 | 0.833 | 1.62 | 0.164 |
| 2006 | 6 | 1 | 29.53 | 29.53 | 29.53 | N/A | 1.66 | N/A |
| 2005 | 7 | 1 | 29.92 | 29.92 | 29.92 | N/A | 1.00 | N/A |
| 2004 | 8 | 1 | 33.35 | 33.35 | 33.35 | N/A | 1.65 | N/A |

Species: Walleye
Body-Scale Constant: 1.10
Total Sample Size: 73
Length at Capture in 2012 for Each Age Class, with Incremental Lengths for 2012

| Year <br> Class | Age | Sampl eSize | Length At Capture |  |  | Standard Error | Length Increments |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Average Length | Maximum Length | Minimum Length |  | Increment | Standard Error |
| 2011 | 1 | 6 | 7.80 | 8.27 | 7.32 | 0.140 | 2.88 | 0.215 |
| 2010 | 2 | 15 | 10.67 | 12.13 | 9.37 | 0.218 | 2.23 | 0.115 |
| 2009 | 3 | 5 | 12.28 | 12.80 | 11.85 | 0.157 | 2.11 | 0.107 |
| 2008 | 4 | 6 | 14.64 | 15.16 | 13.94 | 0.189 | 2.29 | 0.128 |
| 2007 | 5 | 6 | 15.88 | 18.50 | 13.62 | 0.710 | 1.88 | 0.163 |
| 2006 | 6 | 17 | 16.87 | 19.29 | 15.00 | 0.282 | 1.42 | 0.081 |
| 2005 | 7 | 9 | 18.44 | 19.80 | 16.18 | 0.367 | 1.27 | 0.191 |
| 2004 | 8 | 3 | 19.63 | 20.47 | 18.54 | 0.571 | 0.91 | 0.227 |
| 2003 | 9 | 2 | 19.33 | 19.45 | 19.21 | 0.118 | 0.84 | 0.116 |
| 2002 | 10 | 1 | 19.29 | 19.29 | 19.29 | N/A | 0.65 | N/A |
| 2001 | 11 | 2 | 20.10 | 21.30 | 18.90 | 1.201 | 0.32 | 0.072 |
| 2000 | 12 | 1 | 20.16 | 20.16 | 20.16 | N/A | 0.29 | N/A |

Back-Calculated Lengths for Each Age Class and Average Annual Increments of Back-Calculated

## Lengths

Species: Black Crappie
Gear Type: Combined Gear Types (TN)

| Class | Age | N | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2011 | 1 | 2 | 3.15 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.15 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2010 | 2 | 11 | 1.72 | 3.79 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.72 | 2.07 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 1.68 | 3.61 | 5.67 | 8.44 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.68 | 1.94 | 2.06 | 2.77 | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 2 | 1.67 | 3.48 | 5.95 | 7.59 | 9.11 | 10.05 | - |
|  |  |  | 1.67 | 1.81 | 2.48 | 1.64 | 1.53 | 0.94 | - |
| 2005 | 7 | 1 | 2.13 | 3.79 | 6.91 | 8.90 | 10.17 | 10.93 | 11.54 |
|  |  |  | 2.13 | 1.66 | 3.12 | 1.99 | 1.27 | 0.76 | 0.61 |
| Mean Length |  |  | 1.89 | 3.73 | 6.03 | 8.19 | 9.46 | 10.34 | 11.54 |
| Mean Increment |  |  | 1.89 | 2.00 | 2.44 | 2.16 | 1.44 | 0.88 | 0.61 |
| Total N |  |  | 18 | 16 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 |

Species: Bluegill
Gear Type: Combined Gear Types (TN)

| Class | Age | N | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2010 | 2 | 10 | 1.56 | 2.49 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.56 | 0.92 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2009 | 3 | 3 | 1.51 | 2.53 | 3.42 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.51 | 1.03 | 0.89 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 1.23 | 1.83 | 2.68 | 3.56 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.23 | 0.60 | 0.85 | 0.89 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2007 | 5 | 12 | 1.29 | 1.95 | 2.65 | 3.53 | 4.38 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.29 | 0.66 | 0.70 | 0.88 | 0.85 | - | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 17 | 1.33 | 2.13 | 2.97 | 3.83 | 4.73 | 5.63 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.33 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.86 | 0.90 | 0.90 | - | - | - |
| 2005 | 7 | 8 | 1.23 | 2.07 | 2.99 | 3.84 | 4.80 | 5.63 | 6.47 | - | - |
|  |  |  | 1.23 | 0.84 | 0.92 | 0.85 | 0.96 | 0.84 | 0.84 | - | - |
| 2004 | 8 | 6 | 1.27 | 2.02 | 2.90 | 3.73 | 4.87 | 5.83 | 6.53 | 7.12 | - |
|  |  |  | 1.27 | 0.75 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 1.14 | 0.96 | 0.70 | 0.59 | - |
| 2003 | 9 | 2 | 1.38 | 2.12 | 2.98 | 4.13 | 5.02 | 5.75 | 6.54 | 6.99 | 7.32 |
|  |  |  | 1.38 | 0.74 | 0.87 | 1.15 | 0.89 | 0.74 | 0.79 | 0.45 | 0.33 |
| Mean Length |  |  | 1.35 | 2.15 | 2.90 | 3.74 | 4.68 | 5.67 | 6.50 | 7.09 | 7.32 |
| Mean Increment |  |  | 1.35 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.93 | 0.89 | 0.78 | 0.56 | 0.33 |
| Total N |  |  | 60 | 60 | 50 | 47 | 45 | 33 | 16 | 8 | 2 |

## Back-Calculated Lengths for Each Age Class and Average Annual Increments of Back-Calculated Lengths (Continued)

Species: Largemouth Bass
Gear Type: Combined Gear Types (GN and TN)

| Class | Age | N | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | 1 | 4 | 2.73 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 2.73 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2010 | 2 | 2 | 2.63 | 6.03 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 2.63 | 3.40 | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 2 | 2.28 | 4.25 | 7.05 | 9.37 | - | - |
|  |  |  | 2.28 | 1.98 | 2.80 | 2.32 | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 1 | 2.11 | 4.77 | 7.23 | 9.02 | 11.06 | 12.93 |
|  |  |  | 2.11 | 2.66 | 2.46 | 1.79 | 2.04 | 1.87 |
| Mean Length |  | 2.54 | 5.06 | 7.11 | 9.25 | 11.06 | 12.93 |  |
| Mean Increment | 2.54 | 2.68 | 2.69 | 2.14 | 2.04 | 1.87 |  |  |
| Total N |  | 9 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 |  |

Species: Northern Pike Gear Type: Combined Gear Types (GN)

| Class | Age | N | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | 1 | 4 | 9.08 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 9.08 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2010 | 2 | 13 | 7.29 | 12.87 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 7.29 | 5.58 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2009 | 3 | 9 | 7.94 | 12.98 | 15.92 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 7.94 | 5.04 | 2.94 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 17 | 7.68 | 13.45 | 17.17 | 19.75 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 7.68 | 5.77 | 3.72 | 2.57 | - | - | - | - |
| 2007 | 5 | 8 | 8.29 | 13.55 | 17.06 | 19.81 | 22.10 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 8.29 | 5.26 | 3.50 | 2.75 | 2.29 | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 1 | 7.42 | 14.02 | 19.55 | 24.39 | 26.15 | 27.86 | - | - |
|  |  |  | 7.42 | 6.60 | 5.53 | 4.84 | 1.76 | 1.71 | - | - |
| 2005 | 7 | 1 | 7.96 | 14.94 | 18.47 | 21.85 | 24.49 | 26.54 | 28.92 | - |
|  |  |  | 7.96 | 6.98 | 3.53 | 3.38 | 2.64 | 2.05 | 2.38 | - |
| 2004 | 8 | 1 | 8.70 | 16.42 | 19.18 | 21.94 | 24.97 | 27.45 | 29.93 | 31.69 |
|  |  |  | 8.70 | 7.72 | 2.76 | 2.76 | 3.03 | 2.48 | 2.48 | 1.76 |
| Mean Length |  | 7.84 | 13.33 | 17.00 | 20.08 | 22.94 | 27.28 | 29.43 | 31.69 |  |
| Mean Increment | 7.84 | 5.59 | 3.50 | 2.74 | 2.34 | 2.08 | 2.43 | 1.76 |  |  |
| Total N |  |  | 54 | 50 | 37 | 28 | 11 | 3 | 2 | 1 |

# Back-Calculated Lengths for Each Age Class and Average Annual Increments of Back-Calculated Lengths (Continued) 

Species: Walleye
Gear Type: Combined Gear Types (GN)

| Class | Age | N | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2011 | 1 | 6 | 4.92 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 4.92 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2010 | 2 | 15 | 5.39 | 8.44 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 5.39 | 3.05 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2009 | 3 | 5 | 3.78 | 7.12 | 10.16 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.78 | 3.34 | 3.05 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2008 | 4 | 6 | 4.21 | 6.50 | 9.15 | 12.35 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 4.21 | 2.29 | 2.65 | 3.20 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2007 | 5 | 6 | 4.10 | 7.11 | 9.14 | 11.47 | 14.00 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 4.10 | 3.00 | 2.03 | 2.33 | 2.53 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2006 | 6 | 17 | 3.74 | 6.59 | 9.20 | 11.04 | 13.36 | 15.44 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.74 | 2.85 | 2.61 | 1.84 | 2.32 | 2.09 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2005 | 7 | 9 | 3.94 | 6.51 | 9.03 | 11.59 | 13.38 | 15.39 | 17.17 | - | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.94 | 2.57 | 2.52 | 2.56 | 1.79 | 2.01 | 1.78 | - | - | - | - | - |
| 2004 | 8 | 3 | 3.53 | 5.88 | 8.03 | 10.34 | 13.01 | 14.84 | 16.85 | 18.73 | - | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.53 | 2.35 | 2.15 | 2.32 | 2.67 | 1.82 | 2.01 | 1.88 | - | - | - | - |
| 2003 | 9 | 2 | 4.14 | 6.80 | 8.49 | 11.33 | 13.35 | 14.56 | 15.98 | 17.67 | 18.49 | - | - | - |
|  |  |  | 4.14 | 2.66 | 1.70 | 2.84 | 2.03 | 1.21 | 1.42 | 1.69 | 0.83 | - | - | - |
| 2002 | 10 | 1 | 3.42 | 5.88 | 9.47 | 10.96 | 12.26 | 13.46 | 14.80 | 16.54 | 17.73 | 18.64 | - | - |
|  |  |  | 3.42 | 2.46 | 3.59 | 1.49 | 1.30 | 1.20 | 1.34 | 1.74 | 1.19 | 0.91 | - | - |
| 2001 | 11 | 2 | 3.79 | 7.27 | 10.17 | 12.28 | 14.22 | 15.62 | 16.83 | 17.94 | 18.60 | 19.22 | 19.78 | - |
|  |  |  | 3.79 | 3.48 | 2.90 | 2.11 | 1.95 | 1.40 | 1.21 | 1.11 | 0.67 | 0.62 | 0.56 | - |
| 2000 | 12 | 1 | 3.44 | 5.71 | 7.52 | 10.18 | 12.39 | 14.66 | 15.85 | 16.90 | 18.22 | 18.94 | 19.43 | 19.86 |
|  |  |  | 3.44 | 2.27 | 1.81 | 2.66 | 2.21 | 2.27 | 1.19 | 1.05 | 1.32 | 0.72 | 0.49 | 0.43 |
| Mean Length |  |  | 4.27 | 7.04 | 9.17 | 11.37 | 13.42 | 15.26 | 16.74 | 17.87 | 18.36 | 19.01 | 19.66 | 19.86 |
| Mean Increment |  |  | 4.27 | 2.83 | 2.53 | 2.31 | 2.20 | 1.94 | 1.66 | 1.56 | 0.92 | 0.72 | 0.54 | 0.43 |
| Total N |  |  | 73 | 67 | 52 | 47 | 41 | 35 | 18 | 9 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 |

## Age Class Frequency Distribution

| Species | Number of Fish (2) |  |  | Number of Fish in Year Class ('yy) and Age Class |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| and |  |  |  | '12 | '11 | '10 | '09 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | '00 | '99 | '98 | <'98 |
| Gear (1) | Aged | Keyed | Unaged | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15+ |
| Black Cra |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TN | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Bluegill |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TN | 60 | 199 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 9 | 5 | 47 | 96 | 40 | 24 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Largemou | h Bass |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GN | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TN | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals: | 9 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |


| Northern Pike <br> GN | 54 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 15 | 10 | 17 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Walleye |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GN | 74 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 15 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 17 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |

(1) Key to sampling gear abbreviations:

TN = Standard 3/4-in mesh, double frame trap net sets
GN = Standard gill net sets
(2) Notes:

Number of Fish Aged: Fish that were aged from bony parts.
Number of Fish Keyed: Fish assigned an age with an age-length key or by expansion of mesh or station age distributions. Number of Fish Unaged: Fish that were not aged and were not assigned an age.

## Other Species

| Gear <br> Type (1) | Other Species (Gender) (2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

(1) Key to sampling gear abbreviations:

GN = Standard gill net sets
(2) Gender: If identified and reported.

## Survey Crew Notes

Gill net sets \#10, 11, 12 dropped in 2012 per Fisheries Chief directive for streamlining LS methods. Net set locations same as 1992.

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## Discussion

Whitewater Lake is 599 acres in size and is in Ecological Lake Class 7. Other area lakes in this class include Bear Head, Farm and Shagawa.

Whitewater Lake was impounded in 1955 for use as a water storage reservoir for the Erie Mining taconite operation to the north of adjacent Colby Lake. Formerly known as Partridge Lake, this impoundment increased the size and depth of Whitewater Lake and subjected it to greater annual water level fluctuations. The inlet/outlet control structure is now owned and controlled by Minnesota Power. An overflow outlet to the St. Louis River on the southern dike is not used. Water losses through the dike due to groundwater seepage are substantial. Whitewater Lake receives sewage treatment effluent from Hoyt Lakes.

Various developments are being considered or under construction at the old Erie Mining (LTV) site: Polymet rare metals mining and concentrating, Mesabi Nugget steel production, Excelsior Energy coal-gasification electrical generation plant. These developments all require water and may want to rely on the Whitewater Lake/Colby Lake water supply system developed for Erie Mining.

Riparian development on Whitewater Lake consists of a public access and campground with 70 campsites on a peninsula (Fisherman's Point) on the northeast shore of the lake. Minnesota Power acquired the land around Whitewater Lake when it purchased the land from the defunct LTV taconite plant (formerly Erie taconite) in 2002. The campground and boat access is now owned by the City of Hoyt Lakes.

Twelve fisheries lake surveys or fish population assessments have been conducted on Whitewater Lake. The initial investigation, in 1950, was done before the impoundment of the lake in 1955.

Fish sampling during the 2012 population assessment consisted of 9 gill nets and 12 trap nets. Fish populations in 2012 were dominated by walleye, northern pike and bluegill. Black crappie, largemouth bass and channel catfish were also sampled.

Walleye numbers in 2012 (8.4/gill net) were above the median quartile for this lake class and were identical to the median catch for all investigations on this lake. Walleye mean length was $15.2^{\prime \prime}$ which is larger than the mean length of $13.3^{\prime \prime}$ for all investigations on this lake. Walleye mean length at age 4 was 11.4 " compared to 16.4 " for the Area Lake Class 7 growth rate. The largest walleye sampled was 26.2". Walleye were not present in 1950 before the impoundment was created but were stocked periodically 1956 through 1984.

Nothern pike numbers in 2012 ( $6.3 /$ gill net) were above the third quartile for this lake class and were higher than the median catch of $3.9 /$ gill net for all investgations on this lake. Pike mean length was 19.8 " which is larger than the mean length of $18.6^{\prime \prime}$ for all investigations on this lake. Pike mean length at age 4 was 20.1 " compared to $21.9^{\prime \prime}$ for the Area Lake Class 7 growth rate. The largest pike sampled was 33.4 ".

Bluegill numbers in 2012 (21.5/trap net) were above the third quartile for this lake class and were higher than the median catch of $5.3 /$ trap net for all investgations on this lake. Bluegill mean length was 5.9 " which is slightly smaller than the mean length of $6.2^{\prime \prime}$ for all investigations on this lake. Bluegill mean length at age 4 was 3.7 " compared to $5.4^{\prime \prime}$ for the Area Lake Class 7 growth rate. The largest bluegill sampled was 8.9".

## Status Of The Fishery

Whitewater Lake is located 1 mile west of Hoyt Lakes. It has a surface area of 599 acres and a maximum depth of 73 ft . Public access is located at the municipal campground on the east side of the lake.

Whitewater Lake was impounded in 1955 for use as a water storage reservoir for the Erie Mining taconite operation to the north of adjacent Colby Lake. Formerly known as Partridge Lake, this impoundment increased the size and depth of Whitewater Lake and subjected it to greater annual water level fluctuations. The inlet/outlet control structure is controlled by Minnesota Power. Water losses through the dike due to groundwater seepage are substantial. Whitewater Lake receives sewage treatment effluent from Hoyt Lakes.

Walleye numbers in 2012 ( $8.4 / \mathrm{gill}$ net) were identical to the long term average for all assessments on this lake. The average walleye sampled was 15.2 inches long and about six years old. The growth rate was slower than average compared to other lakes in this class. The largest walleye sampled was $26.2^{\prime \prime}$. Walleye were not present in 1950 before the impoundment was created but were stocked periodically 1956 through 1984.

Northern pike numbers in 2012 (6.3/gill net) were higher than the long term average for all assessments on this lake. The average pike sampled was 19.8 inches long and about four years old. The growth rate was slower than average compared to other lakes in this class. The largest pike sampled was 33.4".

Bluegill numbers in 2012 (21.5/trap net) were higher than the long term average for all assessments on this lake. The average bluegill sampled was 5.9 inches long and about six years old. The growth rate was slower than average compared to other lakes in this class. The largest bluegill sampled was 8.9".

Black crappie (1.5/trap net), largemouth bass and yellow perch (4.8/gill net) were also sampled. One channel catfish was sampled. Channel catfish were previously sampled in 1968.

## Approval Dates And Notices

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