

# **APPENDIX A**

**Public Participation Materials** 

## Big Portage Lake Management Planning Project

Update: December 2010
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All field studies relating to the Big Portage Lake Management Plan have been completed, and we greatly enjoyed our time spent on Big Portage Lake. Field studies on the lake began on February 23, 2010 when Onterra ecologists drilled through the ice to take water quality samples. Additional samples were collected during the spring and fall turnover periods, as well as during the summer months via coordination with the Big Portage Lake Citizen Lake Monitor volunteer, Mr. Forrest Muehlethaler. We have only just begun to evaluate all of the data that were collected over this past year, but regarding water quality on Big Portage Lake we can say with certainty that nothing was unexpected. The lake's water quality is very good with high water clarity and low nutrient/algae levels.

Numerous aquatic plant surveys were completed on the lake throughout the summer, identifying 26 native aquatic plant species. One species that was located, small purple bladderwort (*Utricularia resupinata*), is presently denoted as a species of 'special concern' in Wisconsin due to its rarity and sensitivity to environmental degradation, and is a testament to the high quality conditions found in Big Portage Lake. Other aquatic plant species that are considered to be environmentally sensitive were also observed, including alternate-flowered water milfoil, dwarf water milfoil, and water lobelia. The exotic species curly-leaf pondweed and Eurasian water milfoil were <u>not</u> located during any of the surveys, and it is likely that these aquatic invasives do not exist in Big Portage Lake at this time or exist at an undetectable level.

The floating-leaf and emergent plant communities within Big Portage Lake were also accurately mapped, creating a snap-shot in which future data can compare and determine whether these communities are expanding or receding; which is often the case with changing water levels. A survey assessing the quality of shoreline habitat was also completed.

Our next steps over this coming winter will be to finish analyzing the data collected during these field surveys and to begin drawing conclusions on the current status of the water quality, the plant community, and the shoreline areas of Big Portage Lake. We will compile the water quality data collected this year as well as any historic data that exists to determine not only the current condition of the lake's water quality, but if sufficient historical data exists, to also ascertain if any significant changes are occurring over time.

Aquatic plants are the foundation of terrestrial as well as aquatic ecosystems, and can be used as indicators of environmental condition. We will use analysis methods such as the Floristic Quality Index to assess the current condition of Big Portage Lake's plant community, as well as compare it to those of other lakes within the Northern Lakes Ecoregion and Wisconsin. The data collected from the shoreline assessment survey will allow us to delineate and recommend areas that may be possible candidates for shoreline protection or restoration.

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The data from the stakeholder survey sent out to association members over the summer will also be analyzed. This information will be very useful during the planning process as it provides insight into the stakeholder's ideas and thoughts pertaining to Big Portage Lake.

Once the data analyses and studies report are complete, the Planning Committee members will meet with Onterra ecologists to develop realistic and implementable management actions. The management actions will be a collaborative effort to help stakeholders meet their realistic management goals while doing what is best ecologically for the lake. The timing of this meeting will depend upon the availability of the committee members. Once the management plan is developed, a public meeting called a "Project Wrap-up Meeting" will be held to present the study results and the management plan to all those who are interested.

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#### **Presentation Outline**

- Onterra, LLC
- Why Create a Management Plan?
- Elements of a Lake Management Planning Project
  - Data & Information
  - Planning Process



# Onterra, LLC

- Founded in 2005
- Staff
  - Five full-time ecologists
  - One part-time ecologist
  - One intern
- Services
  - Science and planning
- Philosophy
  - Promote realistic planning
  - Assist, not direct



# Why create a lake management plan?

- To create a better understanding of lake's positive and negative attributes.
- To discover ways to minimize the negative attributes and maximize the positive attributes.
- To foster realistic expectations and dispel myths.
- To create a snapshot of the lake for future reference and planning.

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# Elements of an Effective Lake Management Planning Project

#### **Data and Information Gathering**

Environmental & Sociological

**Planning Process** 

Brings it all together



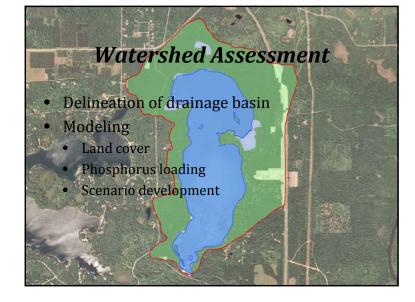
# Data and information gathering

- Study Components
  - Water Quality Analysis
  - Watershed Assessment
  - Aquatic Plant Surveys
  - Fisheries Data Integration
  - Stakeholder Survey
  - Shoreline Assessment



# Water Quality Analysis

- General water chemistry (current & historic)
  - Citizens Lake Monitoring Network
- Nutrient analysis
  - Lake trophic state (Eutrophication)
  - Limiting plant nutrient
- Supporting data for watershed modeling.



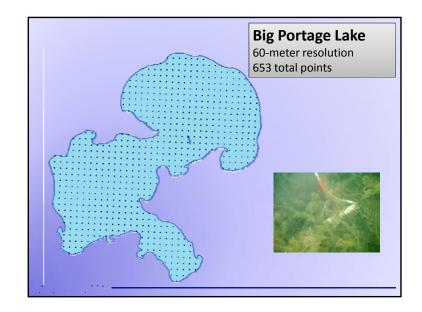
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# Aquatic Plant Surveys

- Concerned with both native and nonnative plants
- Multiple surveys used in assessment
  - Curly-leaf pondweed survey
  - Point-intercept survey
  - Plant community mapping
  - Volunteer survey findings







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## Fisheries Data Integration

- No fish sampling completed
- Assemble data from WDNR, USGS, USFWS, & GLIFWC
- Fish survey results summaries (if available)
- Use information in planning as applicable



## Stakeholder Survey

- Standard survey used as base
  - Planning committee potentially develops additional questions and options
  - Must not lead respondent to specific answer through a "loaded" question
- Survey must be approved by WDNR

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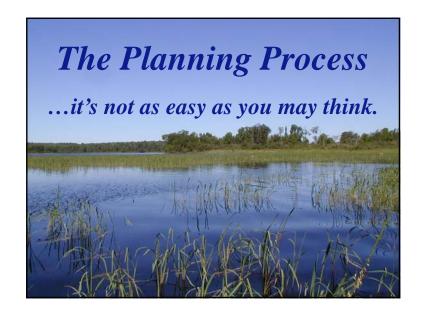
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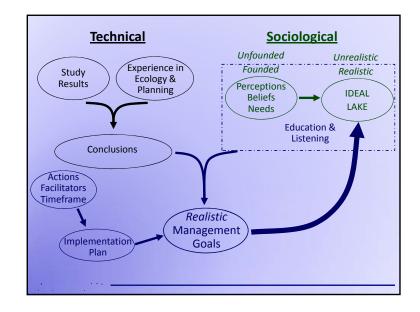
- Shoreland area is important for buffering runoff and provides valuable habitat for aquatic and terrestrial wildlife.
- It does not look at lake shoreline on a property-byproperty basis.
- Assessment ranks shoreland area from shoreline back 35 feet



# Planning Process Planning Committee Meetings Study Results (including a stakeholder survey) Conclusions & Initial Recommendations Management Goals Management Actions Timeframe Facilitator(s) Implementation Plan

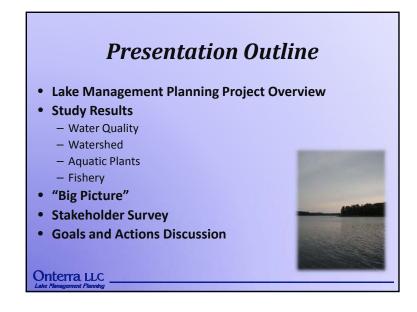
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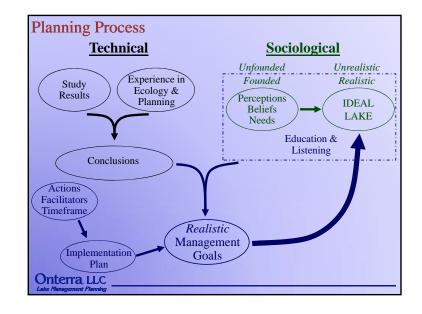


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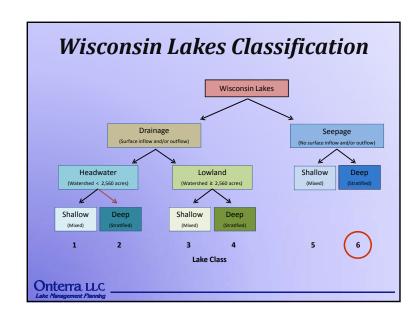


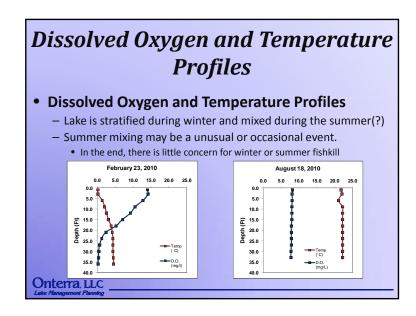


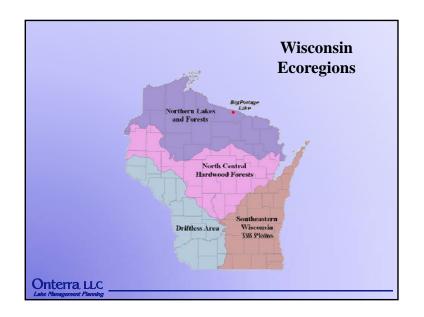


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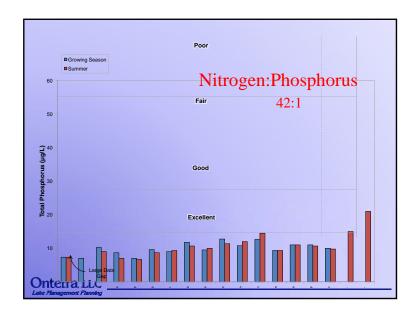


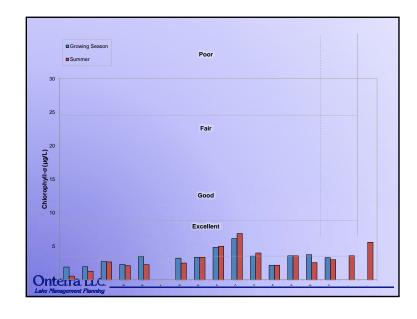


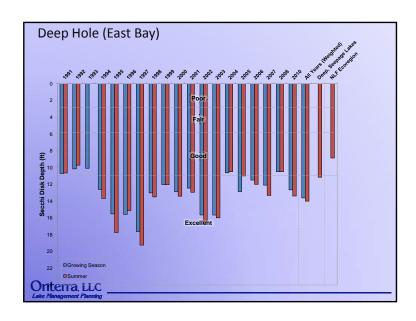


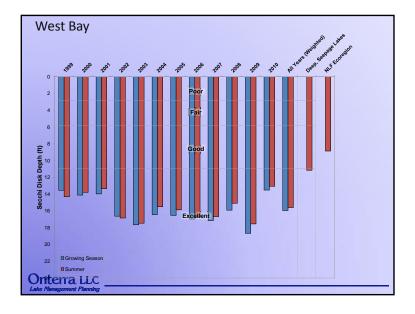


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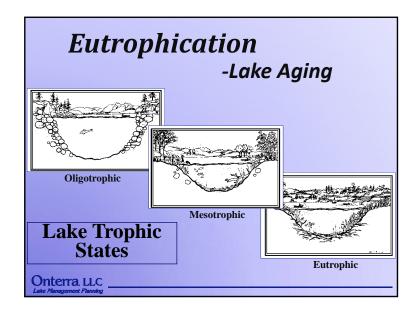


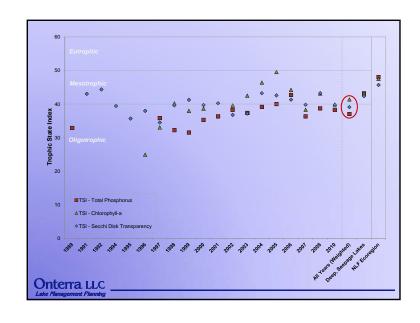


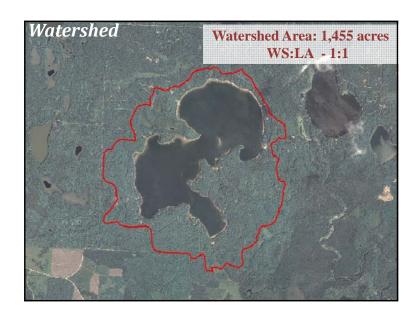


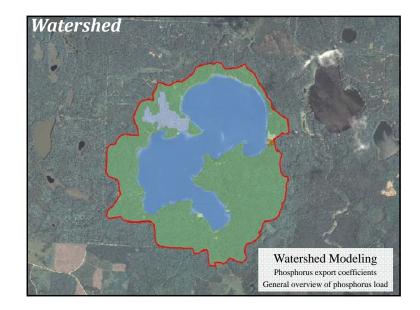


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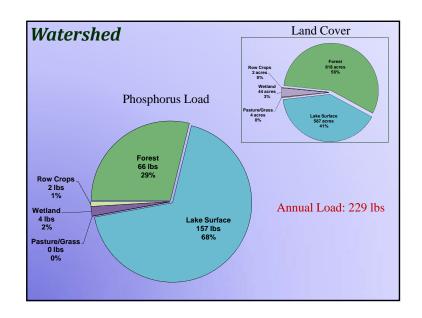




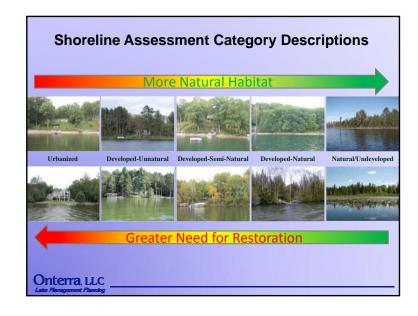


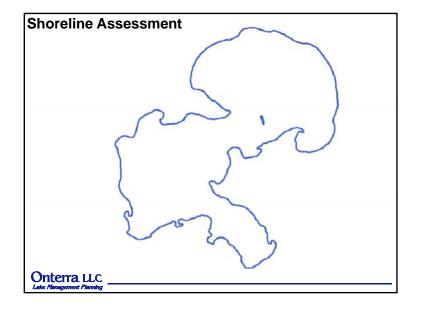


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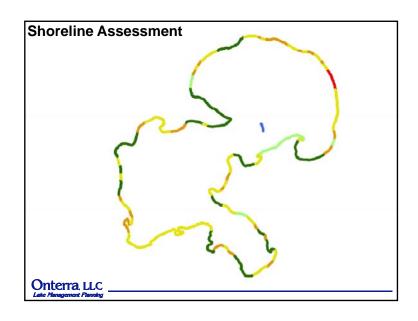


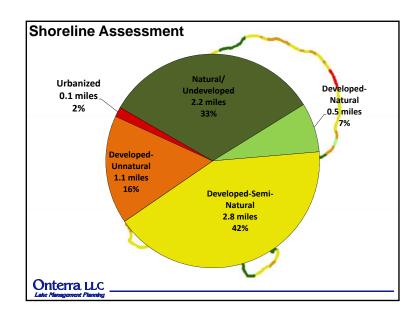


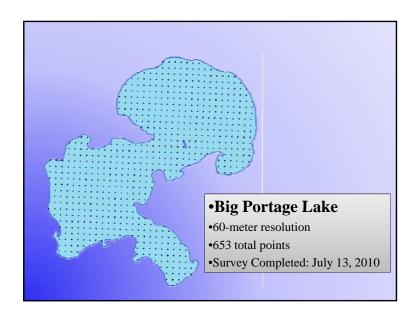


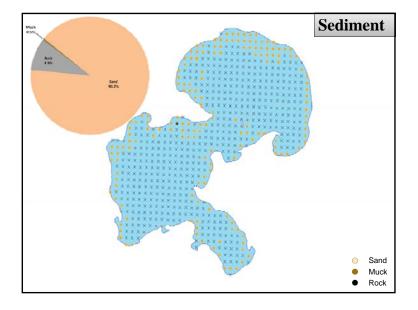


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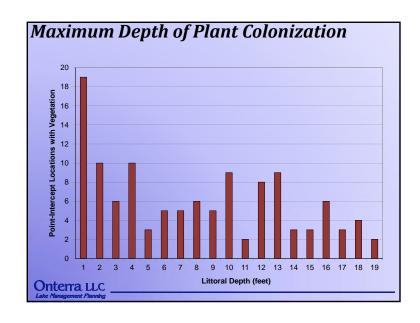


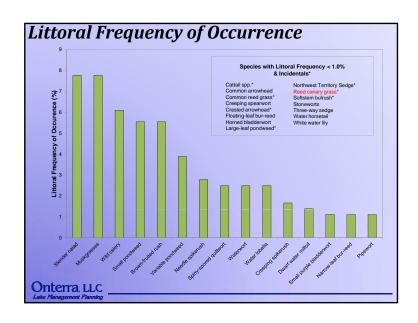


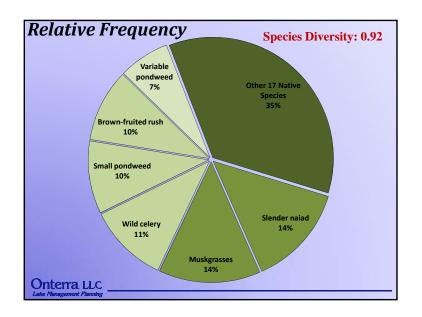


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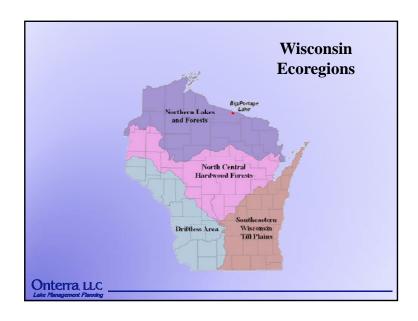
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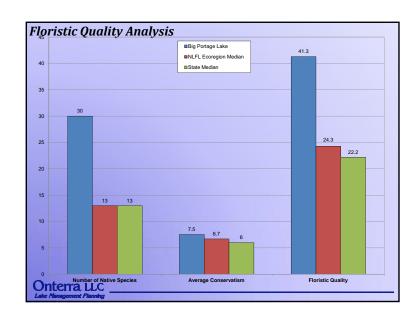


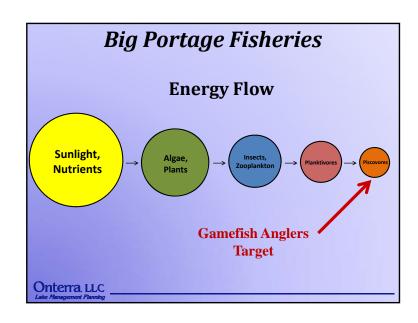




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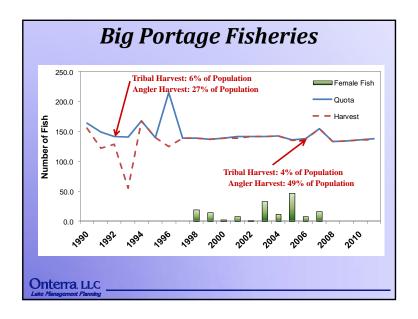








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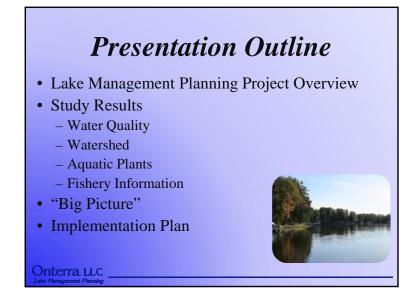


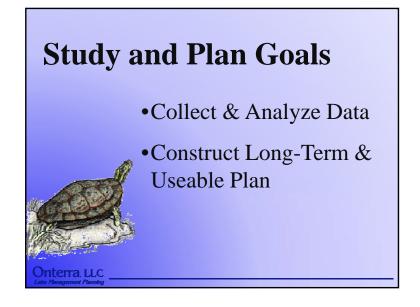
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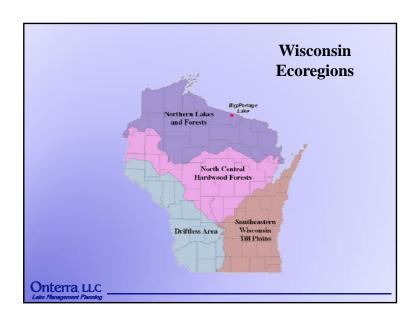


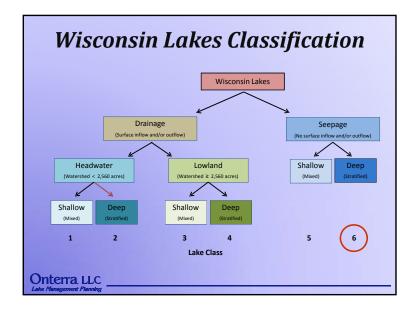


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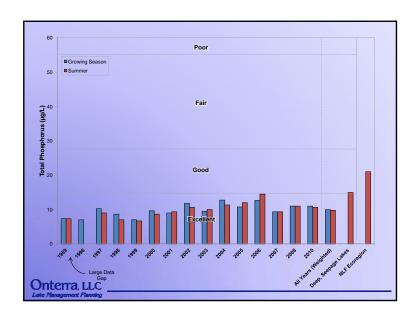


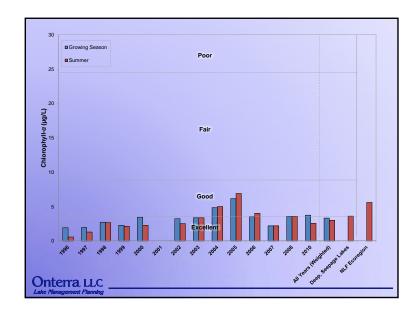


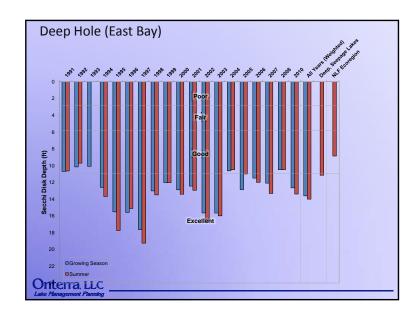


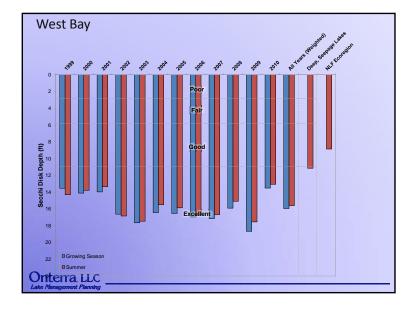


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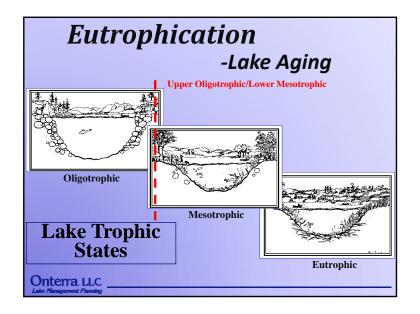


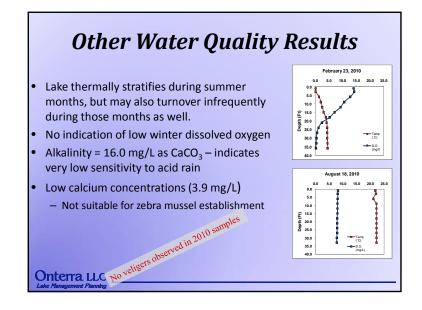






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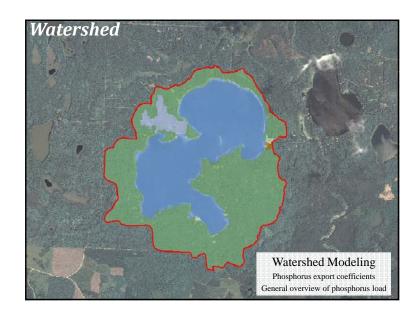


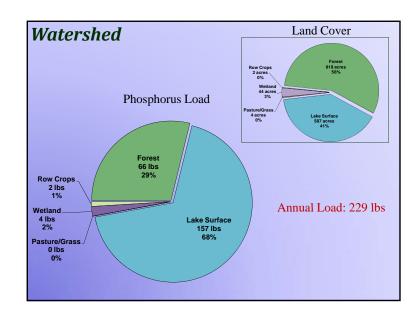




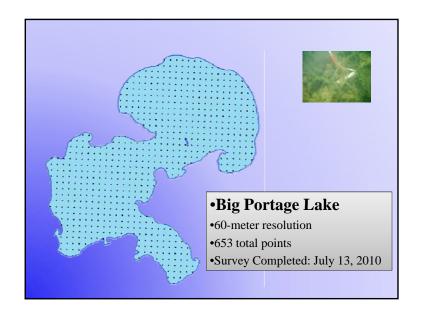


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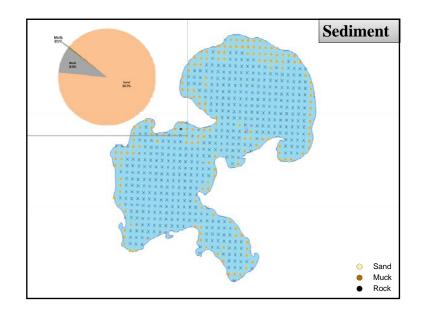




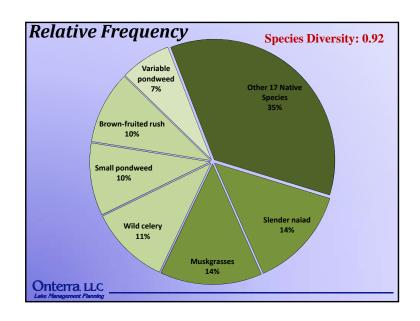


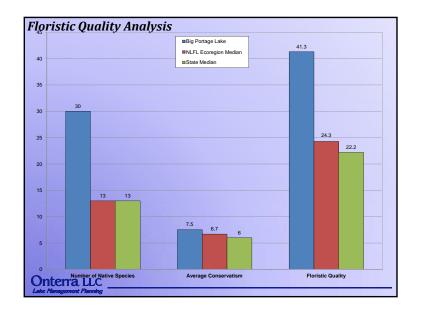


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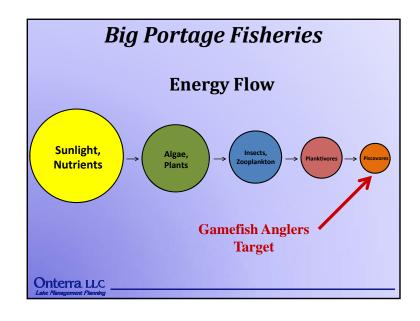
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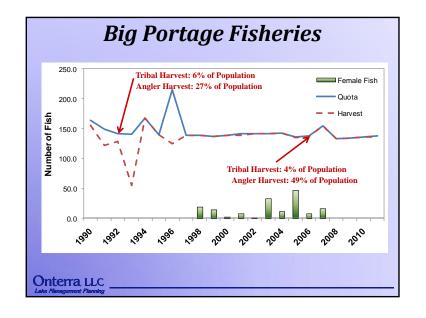


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## **Mission Statement**

To preserve and protect the natural environment and quality of Big Portage Lake for current and future generations through continued education and involvement of stakeholders, monitoring of the lake environment, and being prepared to respond to change

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#### **Management Goal 1:**

Increase Big Portage Lake Riparian Owners Association's Capacity to Communicate with Lake Stakeholders

#### **Management Actions**

- 1. Support an Education Committee to promote safe boating, water quality, public safety, and quality of life on Big Portage Lake.
- 2. Raise riparian owners' awareness on the issue of lake shoreline condition.

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# Management Goal 3: Prevent Aquatic Invasive Species Introductions to Big Portage Lake

#### **Management Actions**

- 1. Continue Clean Boats Clean Waters watercraft inspections at Big Portage Lake public access.
- 2. Coordinate annual volunteer monitoring of aquatic invasive species.

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#### <u>Management Goal 2:</u> Maintain Current Water Quality Conditions

#### **Management Actions**

- Continue water quality monitoring through WDNR Citizen
   Lake Monitoring Network.
- 2. Reduce phosphorus and sediment loads from shoreland watershed to Big Portage Lake (educational initiative).

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# Management Goal 4: Improve Fishery Resources and Fishing on Big Portage Lake

#### **Management Actions**

1. Work with fisheries managers to enhance the fishery on Big Portage Lake.

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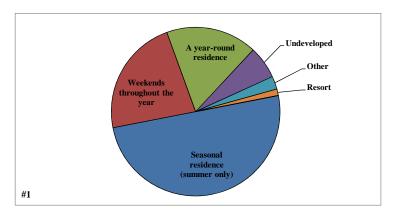
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**Stakeholder Survey Response Charts and Comments** 

Returned Surveys	74
Sent Surveys	106
Response Rate (%)	69.8

#### #1 What type of property do you own on Big Portage Lake?

	Total	%
Seasonal residence (summer only)	40	50.0
Weekends throughout the year	18	22.5
A year-round residence	14	17.5
Undeveloped	5	6.3
Other	2	2.5
Resort	1	1.3
Rental property	0	0.0
I do not live on the lake	0	0.0
	80	100.0

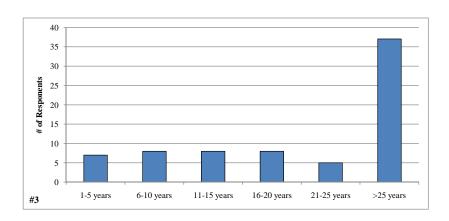


#### #2 If you are not a year-round resident, how many days each year is your property used by you or others?

Answered Question	56
Average	79.9
Standard deviation	55.6

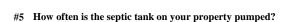
#### #3 How long have you owned your property on Big Portage Lake?

	Total	%
1-5 years	7	9.6
6-10 years	8	11.0
11-15 years	8	11.0
16-20 years	8	11.0
21-25 years	5	6.8
>25 years	37	50.7
	73	100.0

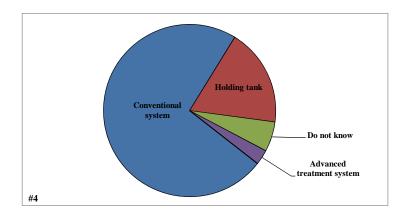


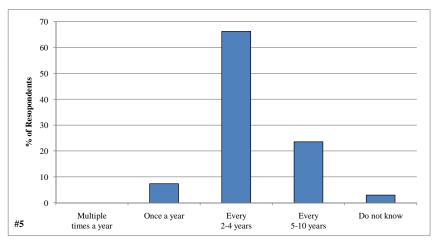
#### #4 What type of septic system does your property utilize?

	Total	%
Conventional system	52	73.2
Holding tank	13	18.3
Do not know	4	5.6
Advanced treatment system	2	2.8
Mound	0	0.0
Municipal sewer	0	0.0
	71	100.0



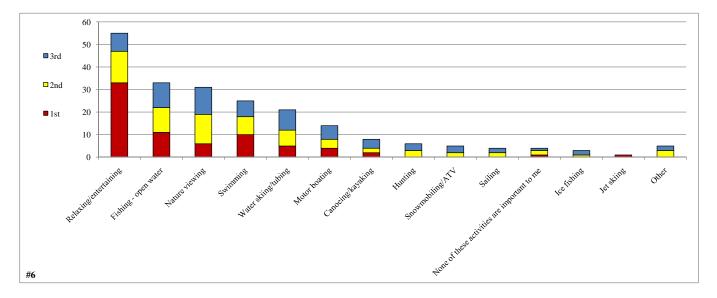
	Total	%
Multiple times a year	0	0.0
Once a year	5	7.4
Every 2-4 years	45	66.2
Every 5-10 years	16	23.5
Do not know	2	2.9
	68	100.0





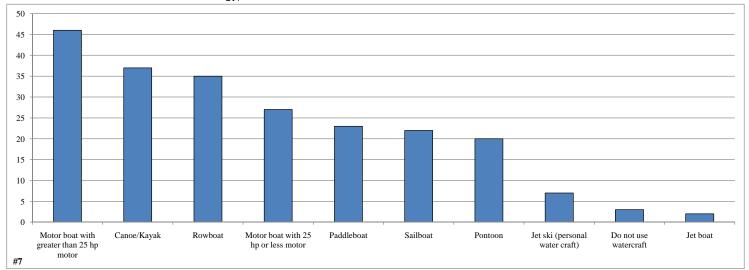
#### #6 Please rank up to three activities that are important reasons for owning your property on or near the lake.

	1st	2nd	3rd	% ranked
Relaxing/entertaining	33	14	8	26.3
Fishing - open water	11	11	11	15.8
Nature viewing	6	13	12	14.8
Swimming	10	8	7	12.0
Water skiing/tubing	5	7	9	10.0
Motor boating	4	4	6	6.7
Canoeing/kayaking	2	2	4	3.8
Hunting	0	3	3	2.9
Snowmobiling/ATV	0	2	3	2.4
Sailing	0	2	2	1.9
None of these activities are important to me	1	2	1	1.9
Ice fishing	0	1	2	1.4
Jet skiing	1	0	0	0.5
Other	0	3	2	2.4
	72	69	68	100.0



#### #7 What types of watercraft do you currently use on the lake?

	Total
Motor boat with greater than 25 hp motor	46
Canoe/Kayak	37
Rowboat	35
Motor boat with 25 hp or less motor	27
Paddleboat	23
Sailboat	22
Pontoon	20
Jet ski (personal water craft)	7
Do not use watercraft	3
Jet boat	2
	217



### #8 For how many years have you fished Big Portage Lake?

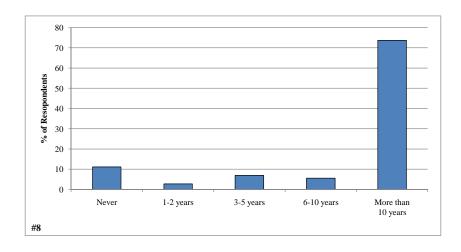
	Total	%
Never	8	11.1
1-2 years	2	2.8
3-5 years	5	6.9
6-10 years	4	5.6
More than 10 years	53	73.6
	72.	100.0

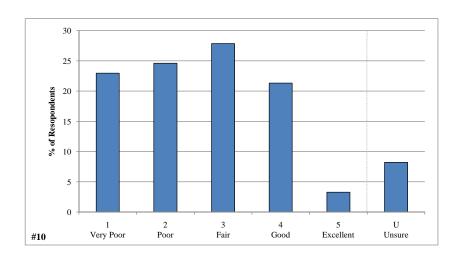
### #9 Have you personally fished on Big Portage Lake in the past 3 years?

	Total	%
Yes	52	77.6
No	15	22.4
	67	100.0

### #10 How would you describe the current quality of fishing on Big Portage Lake?

	Total	<b>%</b>
1 - Very Poor	14	23.0
2 - Poor	15	24.6
3 - Fair	17	27.9
4 - Good	13	21.3
5 - Excellent	2	3.3
U - Unsure	5	8.2
	61	100.0





### #11 How has the quality of fishing changed on Big Portage Lake since you started fishing the lake?

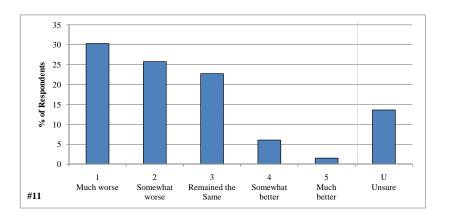
	Total	%
1 - Much worse	20	30.3
2 - Somewhat worse	17	25.8
3 - Remained the Same	15	22.7
4 - Somewhat better	4	6.1
5 - Much better	1	1.5
U - Unsure	9	13.6
	66	100.0

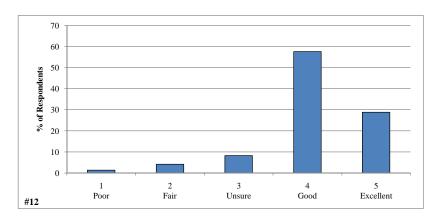
### #12 How would you describe the current water quality of Big Portage Lake?

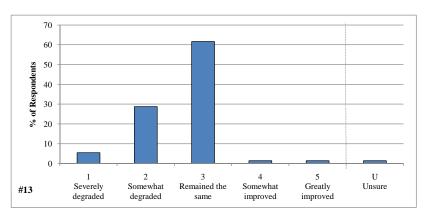
	Total	%
1 - Poor	1	1.4
2 - Fair	3	4.1
3 - Unsure	6	8.2
4 - Good	42	57.5
5 - Excellent	21	28.8
	73	100.0

### #13 How has the water quality changed in Big Portage Lake since you obtained your property?

	Total	%
1 - Severely degraded	4	5.5
2 - Somewhat degraded	21	28.8
3 - Remained the same	45	61.6
4 - Somewhat improved	1	1.4
5 - Greatly improved	1	1.4
U - Unsure	1	1.4
	73	100.0







#### #14 Have you ever heard of aquatic invasive species?

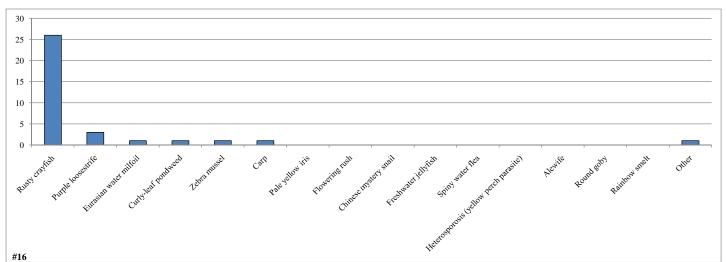
	Total	%
Yes	72	98.6
No	1	1.4
	73	100.0

#### #15 Are you aware of aquatic invasive species in Big Portage Lake?

	Total	<b>%</b>
Yes	27	38.0
No	44	62.0
	71	100.0

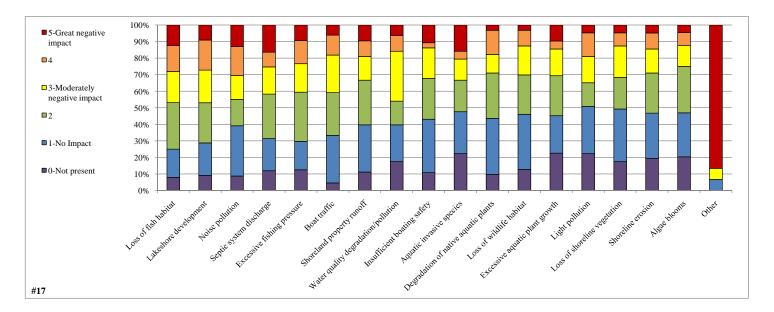
#### #16 Which aquatic invasive species are you aware of in the lake or channel?

	Total
Rusty crayfish	26
Purple loosestrife	3
Eurasian water milfoil	1
Curly-leaf pondweed	1
Zebra mussel	1
Carp	1
Pale yellow iris	0
Flowering rush	0
Chinese mystery snail	0
Freshwater jellyfish	0
Spiny water flea	0
Heterosporosis (yellow perch parasite)	0
Alewife	0
Round goby	0
Rainbow smelt	0
Other	1



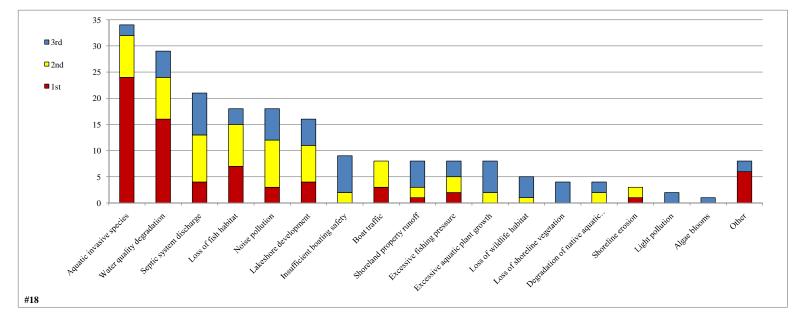
#### #17 To what level do you believe each of the following factors may be negatively impacting Big Portage Lake?

	0-Not present	1-No Impact	2	3-Moderately negative impact	4	5-Great negative impact	Total	Average
Loss of fish habitat	5	11	18	12	10	8	59	2.5
Lakeshore development	6	13	16	13	12	6	60	2.5
Noise pollution	6	21	11	10	12	9	63	2.4
Septic system discharge	8	13	18	11	6	11	59	2.4
Excessive fishing pressure	8	11	19	11	9	6	56	2.3
Boat traffic	3	19	17	15	8	4	63	2.3
Shoreland property runoff	7	18	17	9	6	6	56	2.1
Water quality degradation/pollution	11	14	9	19	6	4	52	2.1
Insufficient boating safety	7	21	16	12	2	7	58	2.0
Aquatic invasive species	14	16	12	8	3	10	49	2.0
Degradation of native aquatic plants	6	21	17	7	9	2	56	2.0
Loss of wildlife habitat	8	21	15	11	6	2	55	1.9
Excessive aquatic plant growth	14	14	15	10	3	6	48	1.9
Light pollution	14	18	9	10	9	3	49	1.9
Loss of shoreline vegetation	11	20	12	12	5	3	52	1.8
Shoreline erosion	12	17	15	9	6	3	50	1.8
Algae blooms	13	17	18	8	5	3	51	1.8
Other	0	1	0	1	0	13	15	4.6



#18 From the list below, please rank your top three concerns regarding Big Portage Lake.

	1st	2nd	3rd	% Ranked
Aquatic invasive species	24	8	2	16.7
Water quality degradation	16	8	5	14.2
Septic system discharge	4	9	8	10.3
Loss of fish habitat	7	8	3	8.8
Noise pollution	3	9	6	8.8
Lakeshore development	4	7	5	7.8
Insufficient boating safety	0	2	7	4.4
Boat traffic	3	5	0	3.9
Shoreland property runoff	1	2	5	3.9
Excessive fishing pressure	2	3	3	3.9
Excessive aquatic plant growth	0	2	6	3.9
Loss of wildlife habitat	0	1	4	2.5
Loss of shoreline vegetation	0	0	4	2.0
Degradation of native aquatic plants	0	2	2	2.0
Shoreline erosion	1	2	0	1.5
Light pollution	0	0	2	1.0
Algae blooms	0	0	1	0.5
Other	6	0	2	3.9
	71	68	65	100.0

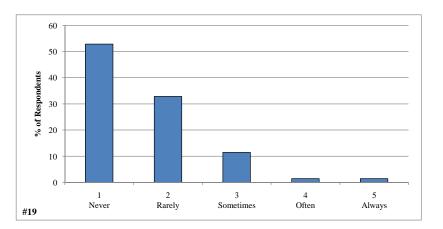


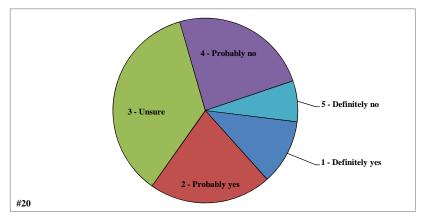
# #19 During open water season how often does aquatic plant growth, including algae, negatively impact your enjoyment of Big Portage Lake?

	Total	%
1 - Never	37	52.9
2 - Rarely	23	32.9
3 - Sometimes	8	11.4
4 - Often	1	1.4
5 - Always	1	1.4
	70	100.0

### **#20** Considering your answer to the question above, do you believe aquatic plant control is needed on Big Portage Lake?

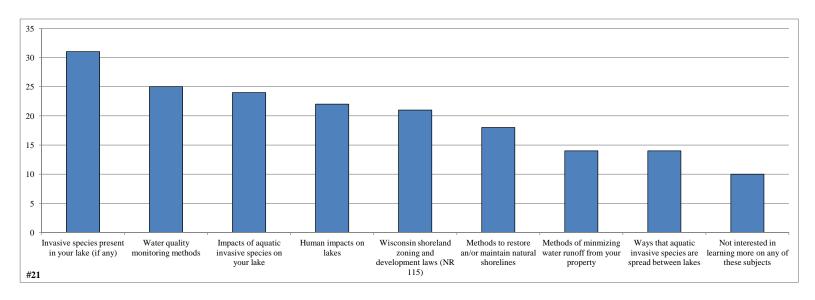
	Total	%
1 - Definitely yes	8	11.4
2 - Probably yes	15	21.4
3 - Unsure	25	35.7
4 - Probably no	17	24.3
5 - Definitely no	5	7.1
	70	100.0





#### #21 Which of these subjects would you like to learn more about?

	Total
Invasive species present in your lake (if any)	31
Water quality monitoring methods	25
Impacts of aquatic invasive species on your lake	24
Human impacts on lakes	22
Wisconsin shoreland zoning and development laws (NR 115)	21
Methods to restore an/or maintain natural shorelines	18
Methods of minmizing water runoff from your property	14
Ways that aquatic invasive species are spread between lakes	14
Not interested in learning more on any of these subjects	10



### #22 Before receiving this mailing, have you ever heard of the Big Portage Lake Riparian Owners Association?

Ye	s
No	

Total	%
73	100.0
0	0.0
73	100.0

### **What is your membership status with the Big Portage Lake Riparian Owners Association?**

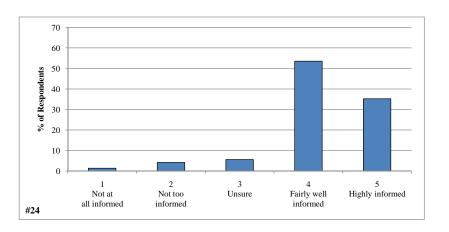
	Total	%
Current member	66	91.7
Former member	4	5.6
Never been a member	2	2.8
	72	100.0

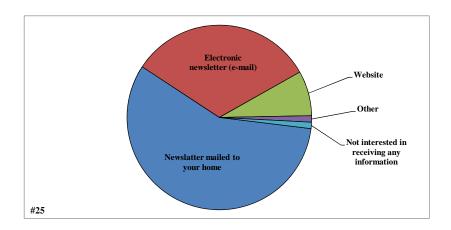
#### #24 How informed has the Big Portage Lake Riparian Owners Association kept you regarding issues with Big Portage Lake and its management?

	Total	%
1 - Not at all informed	1	1.4
2 - Not too informed	3	4.2
3 - Unsure	4	5.6
4 - Fairly well informed	38	53.5
5 - Highly informed	25	35.2
	71	100.0

### **#25** Through what source would you most like to receive communication about Big Portage Lake?

	Total
Newslatter mailed to your home	51
Electronic newsletter (e-mail)	29
Website	7
Other	1
Not interested in receiving any information	1





Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment		Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
1				spearing	spearing		
2	Use summer, weekends, 2 wks at Christmas						The lake should be kept clean. Property values maintained by clear water etc. However the anti fishing, boating, skiing, fireworks, anti-fun people are over the top. Just because you like loons and quiet does not mean some of us can't enjoy a time to ski, do fireworks or let loose. its is give and take to all. get along and keep the lake and property pristine. This lake slum award has to Stop!
3							Pleased we had a zoning change and are participation in this study. Boating courtesy could be improved.
4							
6				boating courtesy			Over a 50+ yr span there has been some changes in water quality- the shoal in the middle of the lake was all rocks, no weeds or grasses now there is vegetation, even small trees which appear to have developed regardless of water level. Suspect more nutrients in water. fishery could be better- but obvious increase in small-mouth bass has made fishing more interesting. suspect walleyes are decling by over fishing by outsiders. not sure if slot limit helps. More reports of northern pike. Recommend DNR do a new fishery survey- last was 2006. Boating courtesy a problem particularly in respect to giving anglers a wide berth. Pontoon boat "cocktail cruisers" are particularly guilty-they also often ignore 100ft rule w/ respect to piers.
7							until 15 years ago we would see large schools of minnows at our dock- Now we see None!
8							
11							what are your thoughts on management of weed/grass on the shoreline/beaches? The overgrowth is excessive. On one hand it is great to see nature at work. However it is hard to lose our beautiful sandy beach & waterfront.
12				jet skis			people throwing leftover food in the woods. Jet ski noise.
13							Jet skis are a problem. There is a fine line between managing an organization & dictating ones personal usage of their property. Some folks aren't looking for a sense of community, they may want privacy.

Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
14							I don't think the walleye slot limit is working! I would support only one walleye over 18"! I don't believe the lake can reproduce enough fish to replace what the spear fishing takes. I believe B P lake must be stocked on a regular basis.
15							where did all the Northerns come from in the lake. I caught 25 northerns this yr, 40 yrs since I caught my previous northern. They are very bad for walleye
16							
17					spearing		what about the upkeep of the public boat landing?
18					personal hi speed watercraft people drawing water from the lake		why are people in residential properties allowed to use them as commercial rental/resort properties without penalty. Why are property owners allowed to draw water out of lake for lawn care or household/business use. Why are property owners allowed to break shoreline regulations throug(sp) payolawhy isn't their a uniform standard at all. how can the lakes get more regular/consistent patrol and governance from the very DNR we all fund! what can bplroa do to become a more attractive and inclusive body to really advocate for property owner rights. awareness is not enough.
19							
20							appreciate all you do - Keep up the good work.
21						word of mouth	Management is fine! We would like to see if there is any possible way by which our lake assoc. or the state could bring back the water levels in our low areas and our bays without waiting for God's help in producing multiple rain storms.
22 23							
24							
25							we have an absolute jewel of a lake. To Keep it that way, we would like to see some sort of restriction on PWC's either require better mufflers on them and/or restrict hours of usage. Monitoring of the boat landing is a great program and we do volunteer. But I doubt it catches half of the boats. I don't have any ideas on how to fix this other than hire someone.
26							
27							The association is a great way to keep members informed and work as a group towards a common goal. It never should be used for enforcement issues of complaints for lake owners, Stay out of
					l		policing the lake.

Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
28							
29							I love BP Lake! I have been visiting it for 47 out of my 48 years. It is easily the #1 best time of my summer. I could easily stay the entire summer but I have to share. Thank you thank you for your devotion to the lake We presently stay in our 73 year old cabin and are considering (finally) a rebuild. We will erect a small, chinked cottage that will fit right in. This will hopefully give us more time throughout the year to visit. I have never in 47 years seen the lake frozen over. I look forward to that!!
30							Thank you for being concerned about our lake and taking measures to keep the lake healthy.
31 32							
33							
34							
35							
36							I would be in favor of a membership fee increase if funds were needed to maintain lake quality. As usual, a core group carries the load. Since I am still working my time is spent relaxing. Once I retire I plan to donate more time. There fore an increase in fees to allow the association to hire as needed seems fair.
The cover letter accompaning this survey indicates that BPLROA may ultimately receive up to \$26,000 in Gov't grants to study, plan and ultimately implement a lake management plan. While ther BPLROA board may be excited at this prospect, what it indicates to me is an overwheliming disregard by governmental entities to be responsible steward of their financial resources. It reconciles perfectly with past attitudes by those in power to just spend money on anything at all because, after all, the supply is limitless and therefore the need for justification does not exist. As long as there is even a hint of attainable "public good" either real or imagined, then there should be no restraint. It doesn't matter if it requires a contorted extention of logic to perceive this possibility of public good. BPLROA should be chagrin at accepting this funding. Additionally, I am bothered by the concept of a group of people presuming to act in my best interest. Like government, no quasi-regulatory group can prevent power from going to their heads. I sincerely hope the							
37		_			·	-	going to their heads. I sincerely hope the A will eventually become as out of control

effort to become such. What will happen is the BPLROA will eventually become as out of control as most government already is and they will establish themselves as quasi legislative in nature with enforcement authority. To assuage any misgivings, the board will cloak itself with self agrandizing rhetoric such as "stakeholder education", "Awareness of issues", "enhancing the quality of like", "Providing a sense of community" and "collective voice" These are all direct quotes from your survey and frankly they scare me. Even the title of your survey "Lake Management Planning" bothers me. I don't want you to manage or plan anything for me! I suggest you all go back to one simple philosophy: Live and use Big Portage Lake as courteously as you would want you neighbor to do on your behalf. It is just plain good manners and quite uncomplicated. It's far superior to setting a bunch of rules.

Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
38			not aware BPL had been invaded. I thought that volunteers to help prevent these issues from hurting BPL				
39	portion of the summer & weekends throughout						
40							Only God can fix the water level. Understand boat ramp being fixed. Pave the last gravel portion of big port. Lake rd. Glad to hear, if correct, that the lake gets a 6 yr hiatus from exploitive spearing/ seining as it would be a nice addition to have a better quality fishing lake(understand it was great before indigenous rights"restored") I appreciate public access rights. But what if DNR required a postcard sized questionnaire to fill out regarding invasive species, boat cleaning prior to putting watercraft in or be subject to a fine. we only have our watercraft on BPL this is a serious matter. We should build a fund for the next caterpillar attack. Glad some of us got involved to stop high density multiunit development, even if not fully appreciated. thanks to all who work to protect the lake from invasive species. thanks to all who work on the snow trails.
41							
42							
43							
44	a						fishing assembly much warms there 50
45	summer residence& weekends						fishing seems much worse than 50 years ago I would like to know the reason for the decline in the perch and walleye populations
46				spearing			would like to one the DND backs
47				spearing			would like to see the DNR begin a walleye stocking program to improve fishing. Loss of natural weed beds in lake is disturbing. Condition of boat landing keeps us from coming up more often.

Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
48	Gomment	Comment	Comment	jet skis	jet ski traffic	Comment	Largest impacts Jet skis discharge huge amounts of gas/oil into lake, may lakes ban them. Septic tank drainage- human waste & T P has been found floating in lake. The lake is definitely not as clear & clean as it was 30 years ago. Back then BPL was as pristine as Clarke lake in Sylvania. NO More! Who are these people who blow off fireworks at 10-11 PM at night?!?
49							
50							
51				Indian spearing	indian popul during spawithis and the up. There in during spawifor the Lake for fear of indians had have indian instead of devices and pristine lake landing. It is it, the town and the town in a workable landings clean.	ulation to specification to specification to specification to see association to specification to specificat	m with fishing in BPL is the ability for the ear fish any number of walleyes they want. It appears the DNR has no control over ot respect the law or I guess the treaty set action to stop this unlimited spearing of fish of walleyes by the indians. It is impossible to or the people on the lake to do anything to cabins and property. The DNR and the ogether to get a resolution. Suggestion. The use of a single spear along the shore owered boats, powerful lights, stunning ars they now use. In order to keep BPL a sary to close permanently the BPL public in poor condition and the right time to close aloes the sar responsibility for it maintainence sets to allocate the funds to put the landing I have seen in wisconsin other public boat boat landing is closed to the public.
52					drop in water level never this low in my 73 years on the lake in 1940's it was 18"to24" higher		
53							
54					water level		
55				barking dogs			when will the boat landing be improved?
56							fix the boat landing
57							
58	plan to develop within 5 yrs						It is a great lake. Thanks for all the hard work you do to guarantee it remains great.

Survey	1g	6m	16p	17r	18r	25d	Other
Number	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comment	Comments (and Question 26)
59	Gommon	Gommon	Gommon	Gommon	Oommone	Gommon	Although just an owner of an empty lot, it is good to be informed that lake property owners do take an interest in the health of the waters and eco-system. This long term oversight, and shared responsibility will serve well in preservation of the lake area, it's natural solitude, and (safe) opportunities for recreation.
60							
61							
62							
63							Walleye populations?? Water quality - yearly tracking and history. Thank you all for your good work and commitment to our beautiful lake.
64				spearing			would like walleye slot limit changed to 1 fish over 14" what can be done to restore perch fishery?
65							
66							I am not knowledgeable on many question as I have not been to the lake since 2000. I am now in a wheel chair & cannot drive or ride that distance. My family uses it however & thru them & care givers of property I have maintained it. I expect to put it up for sale again next spring. I know we do not have a spring fed lake and one of my concerns is the water is so low now. We cannot use our boat lift or dock a ski boat at the pier. I know in the past people were using pumps to water their lawns with lake water and I feel this needs to be monitored. Big portage lake is a beautiful place. I think every effort should be made to keep it that way. I am sorry that this is late but I have been sick.
69							
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71				people hitting golf balls into lake & they are left to pollute the water & other things thrown into the lake			
72					2-6-12		
73 74					jet skis		
74 75							
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# **APPENDIX C**

**Water Quality Data** 

Big Portage Lake Water Quality Data

Appendix C

Big Portage Lake

Date: 02-23-10
Time: 11:00
Weather: 100% clouds, calm, 21°F
Ent: BTB Verf:

| Max Depth (ft): 37.6 | BPLS Depth (ft): 3.0 | BPLB Depth (ft): 34.0 | Secchi Depth (ft): 10.0

Depth (ft)	Temp (°C)	D.O. (mg/l)	pН	Sp. Cond (µS/cm)
1.0	0.2	14.0	6.2	44
3.0	0.2	14.2	6.3	42
6.0	1.4	12.8	6.4	38
9.0	2.1	10.6	6.4	38
12.0	2.6	9.3	6.3	39
15.0	3.1	7.1	6.2	39
18.0	3.9	5.3	6.0	41
21.0	4.2	2.5	5.9	42
24.0	4.4	1.3	5.9	45
27.0	4.4	0.7	5.9	46
30.0	4.4	0.5	5.9	46
33.0	4.5	0.4	6.0	46
36.0	4.6	0.3	6.0	60

Parameter	BPLS	BPLB
Total P (µg/L)	10.00	11.00
Dissolved P (µg/L)		
Chl-a (µg/L)		
TKN (µg/L)	390.00	820.00
$NO_3 + NO_2 - N (\mu g/L)$	ND	68.00
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	36.00	519.00
Total N (µg/L)	390.00	820.00
Lab Cond. (μS/cm)	42.00	46.00
Lab pH	6.00	6.30
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )		
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	ND	2.00
Calcium (mg/L)		

Data collected by: TAH and EJH (Onterra) lce: 1.3 ft

Big Portage Lake

Max Depth: 26.6
BPLS Depth (ft): 3.0
BPLB Depth (ft): 34.0
Secchi Depth (ft): 9.5

Time:	Overcast, cold,	32°F			BPL BPL S
	Depth	Temp	D.O.		Sp. Cond.
	(ft)	(.C)	(mg/L)	pH	(µS/cm)
	1	9.8	10.9	7.8	
	3	9.8	10.8	7.8	
	6	9.8	10.9	7.8	
	9	9.8	10.9	7.9	
	12	9.8	10.9	7.9	
	15	9.8	10.9	7.9	
	18	9.7	10.8	7.9	
	21	9.5	10.8	7.8	
	24	9.3	10.8	7.8	
	27	9.3	10.7	7.7	
	30	9.3	10.6	7.7	
	33	9.2	10.3	7.6	

Parameter	BPLS	BPLB
Total P (µg/L)	12.00	13.00
Dissolved P (µg/L)	ND	ND
Chl-a (µg/L)	6.74	
TKN (µg/L)	470.00	530.00
$NO_3 + NO_2 \cdot N (\mu g/L)$	480.00	490.00
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μg/L)	ND	ND
Total N (µg/L)	470.00	530.00
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	40.00	41.00
Lab pH	7.54	7.39
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	16.00	16.20
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	3.00	4.00
Calcium (mg/L)	4.50	

Data collected by SNR and TWH (Onterra)

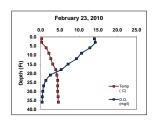
Big Portage Lake

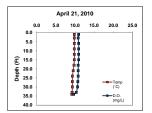
Date: 8/18/2010 Time: 17:15 Weather: Rain, 100% overcast, breezy, 65°F Entry: TWH Max Depth: 37'
BPLS Depth (ft):
BPLB Depth (ft):
Secchi Depth (ft): 9.7'

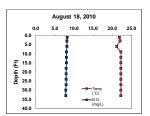
Depth	Temp	D.O.		Sp. Cond.
(ft)	(.C)	(mg/L)	pH	(µS/cm)
1	21.8	8.2		
3	22.0	8.1		
6	21.1	8.1		
9	22.2	8.0		
12	22.2	8.0		
15	22.2	8.0		
18	22.2	7.9		
21	22.2	7.9		
24	22.2	7.9		
27	22.2	7.9		
30	22.2	7.8		
33	22.2	7.8		

Parameter	BPLS	BPLB
Total P (µg/L)		
Dissolved P (µg/L)		
Chl-a (µg/L)		
TKN (µg/L)		
$NO_3 + NO_2 - N (\mu \bar{g}/L)$		
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μg/L)		
Total N (µg/L)		
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)		
Lab pH		
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )		
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)		
Colcium (mg/L)		

Data collected by TAH (Onterra)





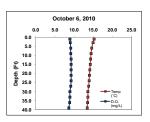


Appendix C Big Portage Lake Water Quality Data

Big Portage Lake

Date: 10-06-10
Time: 14:45
Weather: 100% sun, breezy, 65°F
Entry: TWH Verf:

Depth	Temp	D.O.		Sp. Cond.
(ft)	(.C)	(mg/L)	pH	(µS/cm)
1.0	15.2	8.9		
3.0	14.9	9.0		
6.0	14.6	9.1		
9.0	14.4	9.1		
12.0	14.3	9.2		
15.0	14.2	9.2		
18.0	14.1	9.2		
21.0	14.0	9.2		
24.0	13.9	9.2		
27.0	13.8	9.1		
30.0	13.6	8.9		
33.0	13.6	8.9		
36.0	13.5	8.8		
39.0	13.4	8.6		



Parameter	BPLS	BPLB
Total P (µg/L)	11.00	12.00
Dissolved P (µg/L)	DN	ND
Chl-a (µg/L)	4.29	
TKN (μg/L)	510.00	
NO <sub>3</sub> + NO <sub>2</sub> -N (μg/L)	ND	
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (μg/L)	270.00	
Total N (μg/L)	510.00	
Lab Cond. (μS/cm)		
Lab pH		
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )		
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	2.00	3.00
Calcium (mg/L)		

Data collected by: TAH and TWH (Onterra)

Water Quality Data				
2010	Sur	face	Bottom	
Parameter	Count	Mean	Count	Mean
Secchi Depth (feet)	3	NA	NA	NA
Total P (µg/L)	3.00	11.0	3.00	12.0
Dissolved P (µg/L)	0.00	NA	0.00	NA
Chl a (µg/L)	2.00	5.5	0.00	NA
TKN (µg/L	3.00	456.7	2.00	675.0
NO3+NO2-N (µg/L)	1.00	480.0	2.00	279.0
NH3-N (µg/L)	2.00	153.0	1.00	519.0
Total M (ug/L)	2.00	4EC 7	2.00	67E 0

NH3-N (μg/L)
Total N (μg/L)
Lab Cond. (μS/cm)
Lab pH
Alkal (mg/l CaCO3)
Total Susp Sol (mg/l)
Calcium (μg/L) 3.00 2.00 2.00 1.00 2.00 1.00 456.7 41.0 6.8 16.0 2.5 4.5 2.00 2.00 2.00 1.00 3.00 0.00 675.0 43.5 6.8 16.2 3.0 NA

Trophic	Ctata	Indov	/M/TCI)

Year	TP	Chl-a	Secchi
1989	32.9		
1990			
1991			43.0
1992			44.4
1993			
1994			39.4
1995			35.7
1996		24.9	38.0
1997	35.8	33.0	34.5
1998	32.2	40.2	39.6
1999	31.5	38.0	41.3
2000	35.3	38.6	39.7
2001	36.4		40.2
2002	38.3	39.6	36.8
2003	37.4	42.5	37.2
2004	39.2	46.4	43.2
2005	40.0	49.6	42.6
2006	42.7	44.2	41.3
2007	36.4	38.3	39.8
2008	38.7	43.1	43.2
2009			
2010	38.3	39.9	39.7
All Years (Weighted)	37.0	41.4	39.1
Deep, Seepage Lakes	43.2	43.2	42.4
NLF Ecoregion	48.1	47.5	45.7

Morphological / Geographical Data
Parameter Value Parameter
Acreage
Volume (acre-feet)
Perimeter (miles)
Shoreland Development Factor
Maximum Depth (feet)
County
WBIC
Lillie Mason Region (1983)
Nichols Ecoregion (1999) NLF Ecoregion NLFL

WiLMS Class	Acreage	kg/yr	lbs/yr
Forest			0.0
Open Water			0.0
Pasture/Grass			0.0
Row Crops			0.0
Urban - Rural Residential			0.0
Wetland			0.0

		Secch	ni (feet)			Chloroph	/II-a (µg/L)			Total Phosp	horus (µg/L)	
	Growing	Season	Sun	nmer	Growing	Season	Sun	nmer	Growing	Season	Sum	mer
Year	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean
1989	0		0		0		0		3	7.3	3.0	7.3
1990	0		0									
1991	6	10.7	5	10.7								
1992	7	10.2	4	9.7								
1993	3	10.1	0									
1994	7	12.6	4	13.7								
1995	12	15.5	6	17.8								
1996	16	15.6	8	15.1	2	1.9	1	0.6	1	7.0	0.0	
1997	14	17.6	7	19.3	4	2.0	3	1.3	4	10.3	2.0	9.0
1998	11	13.0	7	13.5	4	2.7	3	2.7	3	8.7	1.0	7.0
1999	12	12.0	6	12.0	4	2.3	3	2.1	5	7.0	3.0	6.7
2000	14	12.9	9	13.4	4	3.5	3	2.3	5	9.6	3.0	8.7
2001	14	12.4	9	12.9	0		0		4	9.0	3.0	9.3
2002	13	15.7	8	16.4	3	3.2	2	2.5	5	11.8	3.0	10.7
2003	9	15.7	6	16.0	3	3.4	3	3.4	4	9.5	3.0	10.0
2004	4	10.6	3	10.5	4	4.8	3	5.0	4	12.8	3.0	11.3
2005	4	12.9	2	11.0	3	6.2	2	6.9	4	10.8	2.0	12.0
2006	3	11.5	2	12.0	3	3.5	2	4.0	3	12.7	2.0	14.5
2007	5	12.1	3	13.3	3	2.2	3	2.2	3	9.3	3.0	9.3
2008	2	10.5	2	10.5	2	3.6	2	3.6	2	11.0	2.0	11.0
2009	0		0		0		0		0		0.0	
2010	10	12.7	7	13.4	5	3.7	3	2.6	5	11.0	3.0	10.7
All Years (Weighted)		13.6		14.0		3.3		3.0		10.0		9.8
Deep, Seepage Lakes				11.2				3.6				15.0
NLF Ecoregion				8.9				5.6				21.0

Summer 2010 N: Summer 2010 P: 456.7 11.0 Summer 2011 N:P 42 :1

## **APPENDIX D**

Watershed Analysis WiLMS Results

Date: 7/13/2011 Scenario: Big Portage Current, v1

Lake Id: 1629500 Watershed Id: 0

#### Hydrologic and Morphometric Data

Tributary Drainage Area: 868.2 acre

Total Unit Runoff: 14 in.

Annual Runoff Volume: 1012.9 acre-ft
Lake Surface Area <As>: 587 acre
Lake Volume <V>: 11204 acre-ft
Lake Mean Depth <z>: 19.1 ft

Precipitation - Evaporation: 5.5 in. Hydraulic Loading: 1281.9 acre-ft/year Areal Water Load <qs>: 2.2 ft/year Lake Flushing Rate : 0.11 1/year Water Residence Time: 8.74 year

Observed spring overturn total phosphorus (SPO): 12.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Observed growing season mean phosphorus (GSM): 11.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

% NPS Change: 0%
% PS Change: 0%

#### NON-POINT SOURCE DATA

Land Use	Acre	Low Most	Likely	High Loadir	ıg % Low	Most Likely	High	
	(ac)	Loa	ding (kg/	ha-year)		Loa	ding (kg/ye	ar)
Row Crop AG	2.3	0.50	1.00	3.00	0.9	0	1	3
Mixed AG	0.0	0.30	0.80	1.40	0.0	0	0	0
Pasture/Grass	4	0.10	0.30	0.50	0.5	0	0	1
HD Urban (1/8 Ac)	0.0	1.00	1.50	2.00	0.0	0	0	0
MD Urban (1/4 Ac)	0.0	0.30	0.50	0.80	0.0	0	0	0
Rural Res (>1 Ac)	0.0	0.05	0.10	0.25	0.0	0	0	0
Wetlands	43.9	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.7	2	2	2
Forest	818	0.05	0.09	0.18	28.6	17	30	60
Lake Surface	587.0	0.10	0.30	1.00	68.4	24	71	238

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### POINT SOURCE DATA

Point Sources Water Load Low Most Likely High Loading %

(m^3/year) (kg/year) (kg/year)

SEPTIC TANK DATA

Description		Low	Most Likely	High	Loading %
Septic Tank Output (kg/capita-year)		0.3	0.5	0.8	
<pre># capita-years</pre>	0.0				
% Phosphorus Retained by Soil		98	90	80	
Septic Tank Loading (kg/year)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0

### TOTALS DATA

Description	Low	Most Likely	High	Loading %
Total Loading (lb)	94.2	229.8	666.9	100.0
Total Loading (kg)	42.7	104.3	302.5	100.0
Areal Loading (lb/ac-year)	0.16	0.39	1.14	0.0
Areal Loading (mg/m^2-year)	17.98	43.89	127.35	0.0
Total PS Loading (lb)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total PS Loading (kg)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total NPS Loading (lb)	41.8	72.7	143.2	100.0
Total NPS Loading (kg)	19.0	33.0	65.0	100.0

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Watershed Analysis

### Phosphorus Prediction and Uncertainty Analysis Module

Date: 7/13/2011 Scenario: 7

Observed spring overturn total phosphorus (SPO): 12.0 mg/m^3 Observed growing season mean phosphorus (GSM): 11.0 mg/m^3

Back calculation for SPO total phosphorus: 0.0 mg/m^3

Back calculation GSM phosphorus: 0.0 mg/m^3

% Confidence Range: 70%

Nurenberg Model Input - Est. Gross Int. Loading: 0 kg

Lake Phosphorus Model	Low M	Most Likely	High	Predicted	% Dif.
	Total P	Total P	Total P	-Observed	
	$(mg/m^3)$	$(mg/m^3)$	$(mg/m^3)$	$(mg/m^3)$	
Walker, 1987 Reservoir	10	24	70	13	118
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Natural Lake	8	14	28	3	27
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Artificial Lake	9	15	27	4	36
Rechow, 1979 General	1	4	10	-7	-64
Rechow, 1977 Anoxic	10	25	73	14	127
Rechow, 1977 water load<50m/year	2	6	17	-5	-45
Rechow, 1977 water load>50m/year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Walker, 1977 General	8	21	60	9	75
Vollenweider, 1982 Combined OECD	7	16	37	5	43
Dillon-Rigler-Kirchner	6	15	45	3	25
Vollenweider, 1982 Shallow Lake/Res.	6	12	31	1	9
Larsen-Mercier, 1976	7	17	48	5	42
Nurnberg, 1984 Oxic	5	13	38	2	18

Lake Phosphorus Model	Confidence	Confidence	Parameter	Back	Model	
		Lower	Upper	Fit?	Calculation	Type
		Bound	Bound		(kg/year)	
Walker, 1987 Reservoir		13	53	Tw	0	GSM
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Natura	ıl Lake	4	40	FIT	1	GSM
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Artifi	cial Lake	5	43	FIT	1	GSM
Rechow, 1979 General		2	8	L qs	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 Anoxic		14	55	FIT	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 water load<50m/ye	ear	3	13	FIT	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 water load>50m/ye	ear	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Walker, 1977 General		10	48	FIT	0	SPO
Vollenweider, 1982 Combined OF	CD	7	33	FIT	0	ANN
Dillon-Rigler-Kirchner		8	34	L qs p	0	SPO
Vollenweider, 1982 Shallow Lak	te/Res.	6	26	FIT	0	ANN
Larsen-Mercier, 1976		10	37	P Pin	0	SPO
Nurnberg, 1984 Oxic		6	30	FIT	0	ANN

### Water and Nutrient Outflow Module

Date: 7/13/2011 Scenario: 7

Average Annual Surface Total Phosphorus:  $12.0 \text{mg/m}^3$  Annual Discharge: 1.28E+003 AF => 1.58E+006 m<sup>3</sup> Annual Outflow Loading: 39.9 LB => 18.1 kg

# **APPENDIX E**

**Aquatic Plant Survey Data** 

					I, R=Rock)																																
Total Rake Fullness	Point Number	latitude	longitude	Depth (ft)	Sediment type (M=muck, S=Sand, R=Rock	Rope (R); Pole (P); Visual (V)	Notes	Myriophyllum spicatum	Potamogeton crispus	Chara spp.	Dulichium arundinaceum	Elatine minima	Eleocharis acicularis	Eleocharis palustris	Elodea canadensis	Equis etum fluviatile	Eriocaulon aquaticum	Isoetes lacustris	Juncus pelocarpus	Lobelia dortmanna	Myriophyllum tenellum	Najas flexilis	Nitella spp.	Nuphar variegata	Nymphaea odorata	Potamogeton gramineus	Potamogeton pusillus	Ranunculus flammula	Sagittaria latifolia	Sparganium angustifolium	Sparganium fluctuans	Utric ularia res upinata	Vallisneria americana	Utricularia cornuta			NOTES
	1	46.12529482	-89.29788958				UNREACHABLE																														
1	2	46.12475485	-89.29789644	1	S	Р							1				1		1	1												1		1		Ľ	
1	3	46.12421488 46.12367491	-89.2979033	1	S	P P						1				1		_																		+	
1	4	46.12097507	-89.29791016 -89.29794445	3	S	P												1														1				₽	
<u> </u>	6	46.12529004	-89.29711301	3	-		UNREACHABLE											•																		+	
	7	46.12475008	-89.29711988	2	S	Р	No Vegetation																													T	
	8	46.12421011	-89.29712675	6	S	Р	No Vegetation																													П	
	9	46.12367014	-89.29713361	12	S	Р	No Vegetation																														
	10	46.12313017	-89.29714048	13		R	No Vegetation																													$\perp$	
	11	46.1225902	-89.29714735	11	S	Р	No Vegetation																													₽	
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1	17	46.1247453	-89.29634332	6	S	Р																											1		$\dagger$	$\top$	
	18	46.12420533	-89.2963502	14		R	No Vegetation																													Т	
1	19	46.12366536	-89.29635707	16		R																1															
	20	46.12312539	-89.29636395	17		R	No Vegetation																													Ľ	
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	25	46.12042555	-89.29639832	17		R	No Vegetation																													+	
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	27	46.11934561	-89.29641206	5	R	Р	No Vegetation																													T	
1	28	46.11826568	-89.29642581	5	S	Р																											1				
	29	46.11772571	-89.29643268	6	S	Р	No Vegetation																														
	30	46.11718574	-89.29643955	4	S	Р	No Vegetation																													Ľ	
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1	35	46.12474051	-89.29556676	8	S	Р				1																							1			T	
	36	46.12420055	-89.29557365	16		R	No Vegetation																													T	
	37	46.12366058	-89.29558053	17		R	No Vegetation																														
	38	46.12312061	-89.29558741	17		R	No Vegetation																													$\perp$	
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	65	46.11933604	-89.2948591	16		R	No Vegetation																														
	66	46.11879608	-89.29486599	12	R	Р	No Vegetation																														
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## **APPENDIX F**

WDNR Creel Survey Data

## WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES CREEL SURVEY REPORT

## **BIG PORTAGE LAKE**

**VILAS COUNTY** 

## 2006-07





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### INTRODUCTION

Fish populations can fluctuate due to natural forces (weather, predation, competition), management actions (stocking, regulations, habitat improvement), inappropriate development (habitat degradation), and harvest impacts. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources fisheries crews regularly conduct fishery surveys on area lakes and reservoirs to gather the information needed to monitor changes, identify concerns, evaluate past management actions, and to prescribe good fishery management strategies. Netting and electrofishing surveys are used to gather data on the status of fish populations and communities (species composition, population size, reproductive success, size/age distribution, and growth rates). But the other key component of the fishery that we often need to measure is the harvest.

On many lakes in the Ceded Territory of northern Wisconsin, harvest of fish is divided between sport anglers and the six Chippewa tribes who harvest fish under rights granted by federal treaties. The tribes harvest fish mostly using a highly efficient method, spearing, during a relatively short time period in the spring. Every fish in the spear harvest is counted – a complete "census" of the harvest.

We also measure the sport harvest to assess its impact on the fishery. But because it would be highly impractical and very costly to conduct a complete census of every angler who fishes on a lake, we conduct creel surveys.

A creel survey is an assessment tool used to sample the fishing activities of anglers on a body of water and make projections of harvest and other fishery parameters. Creel survey clerks work on randomly-selected days and shifts, forty hours per week during the open season for gamefish from the first Saturday in May through the first Sunday in March, except during the month of November when fishing effort is low and ice conditions are often unsafe. The survey is run during daylight hours, and shift times change from month to month as day length changes.

Creel survey clerks travel their lakes using a boat or snowmobile to count numbers of anglers on a lake at predetermined times, and to interview anglers who have completed their fishing trip to collect data on what species they fished for, catch, harvest, lengths of fish harvested, marks (finclips or tags), and hours of fishing effort. Collecting completed-trip data provides the most accurate assessment of angling activities, and it avoids the need to disturb anglers while they are fishing.

A computer program is used to make projections of total catch and harvest of each species, catch and harvest rates, and total fishing effort, by month and for the year in total. Keep in mind that these are only projections based on the best information available, and not a complete accounting of effort, catch, and harvest. Accurate projections require that we sample a sufficient and representative portion of the angling activity on a lake. The accuracy of creel survey results, therefore, depends on good cooperation and truthful responses by anglers when a creel clerk interviews them.

You may have encountered a DNR creel survey clerk on a recent fishing trip. We appreciate your cooperation during an interview. The survey only takes a moment of your time and it gives the Department valuable information needed for management of the fishery.

This report provides projections of:

- 1. Overall fishing pressure
- 2. Fishing effort directed at each species
- 3. Catch and harvest rates
- 4. Numbers of fish caught and harvested.

Also included are a physical description of Big Portage Lake; discussion of results of the survey; and detailed summaries, by species of fishing effort, catch and harvest.

GENERAL LAKE INFORMATION



#### Location

Big Portage Lake is located in Vilas County approximately 4 miles southwest of the town of Land O'Lakes.

#### **Physical Characteristics**

Big Portage Lake is a 638-acre seepage lake of low fertility with a maximum depth of 38 feet. Littoral substrate consists primarily of sand, gravel and rock. Big Portage Lake has clear water of high transparency.

### **Seasons Surveyed**

The period referred to in this report as the 2006-fishing season ran from May 6, 2006 through March 4, 2007. The open water creel survey ran from May 6 through October 31, 2006 and the ice fishing creel survey ran from December 1, 2006 through March 4, 2007.

#### Weather

Ice-out on Big Portage Lake was around April 19, 2006 which is considered normal for northern Wisconsin. Spring, summer and fall weather was normal. Fishable-ice formed on Big Portage Lake in early December.

### **Sportfishing Regulations**

The following seasons, daily bag limits, and length limits were in place on Big Portage Lake during the 2006-fishing season:

Species	Season	Bag Limit	Min. Size						
Largemouth Bass&	5/06-6/17	Catch &	Release						
Smallmouth Bass	6/18-3/04	5	14"						
Musky	5/27-11/30	1	34"						
Northern Pike	5/06-3/04	5	none						
Walleye	5/06-3/04	2*							
No Minimum, 14	No Minimum, 14"-18" Protected Slot, 1>18"								
Panfish	year round	25	none						
Rock Bass	year round	none	none						

<sup>\*</sup> The statewide bag limit was 5 fish, but due to tribal declarations it was reduced on Big Portage Lake.

# SPECIES CATCH AND HARVEST INFORMATION

Angling information is summarized for each species (Figures 1-10) with effort and/or catch information. Information presented about species whose fishing season extends beyond March 4 should be considered minimum estimates. Each species page has up to five graphs depicting the following:

#### 1. PROJECTED FISHING EFFORT

Total calculated number of hours during each month that anglers spent fishing for a species.

# 2. PROJECTED SPECIFIC CATCH AND HARVEST RATES

Calculated number of hours it takes an angler to catch or harvest a fish of the indicated species. Only information from anglers who were specifically targeting that species is reported.

## 3. PROJECTED CATCH AND HARVEST

Calculated number of fish of the indicated species caught or harvested by all anglers, regardless of targeted species.

# 4. LENGTH DISTRIBUTION OF HARVESTED FISH

All fish of a species that were measured by the clerk during the entire creel survey season.

## 5. LARGEST AND AVERAGE LENGTH OF HARVESTED FISH

Monthly largest and average length of harvested fish of a species. Only those fish measured by the creel survey clerk are reported.

## CREEL SURVEY RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

#### **Survey Logistics**

The creel survey went well. We encountered no unusual problems conducting the survey or calculating the projections contained in the report. This was the first time the department conducted a creel survey on Big Portage Lake.

#### **General Angler Information**

Anglers spent 9,137 hours or 14.3 hours per acre fishing Big Portage Lake during the 2006 season (Table 1). That was less than

half the statewide average of 33.6 hours per acre and the Vilas County average of 36.2 hours per acre. May was the most heavily fished month (4.1 hours per acre). Fishing effort was lightest in February (0.2 hours per acre).

### **SPECIES INFORMATION**

Walleye (Table 2, Figure 1)

Walleye received the most fishing pressure in Big Portage Lake during the 2006 season. Anglers spent 8,375 hours targeting walleye. Walleye fishing effort was greatest in May (2,612 hours). February had the least amount of walleye fishing effort (69 hours).

Catch was 4,221 fish and harvest 1,560 fish. Highest catch (2,401 fish) and harvest (816 fish) occurred in May. Anglers fished 2.0 hours to catch and 5.4 hours to harvest a walleye during 2006.

The mean length of harvested walleye was 13.6 inches and the largest walleye measured was a 23.5-inch fish harvested in July.

Northern Pike (Table 2, Figure 2) Fishing effort directed at northern pike was 51 hours during the 2006 season. Big Portage Lake has a low density of northern pike.

Catch was 3 fish and harvest was 3 fish. The mean length of harvested northern pike was 22.1 inches and the largest northern pike measured was a 22.1-inch fish.

Smallmouth Bass (Table 2, Figure 4) Fishing effort targeted at smallmouth bass was 901 hours during the 2006 season. Smallmouth bass fishing effort was greatest in June (307 hours). 842 smallmouth bass were caught with 9 fish harvested. Highest

catch (564 fish) occurred in June. Anglers fished 1.4 hours to catch a smallmouth bass during 2006.

Largemouth Bass (Table 2, Figure 5) Fishing effort directed at largemouth bass was 60 hours during the 2006 season. Largemouth bass fishing effort was greatest in September (44 hours).

Catch was 22 fish and harvest 0 fish. The only month catch (22 fish) occurred was September. Anglers fished 15.8 hours to catch a largemouth bass during 2006.

**Panfish** (Table 2, Figures 6-10) Panfish effort was 1,928 hours during the 2006 season.

Yellow perch was the most sought after panfish during the survey. Yellow perch comprised 93% of panfish effort, 87% of catch and 95% of panfish harvest. Anglers fished 3.5 hours to catch and 4.4 hour to harvest a yellow perch during 2006. The mean length of harvested yellow perch was 10.5 inches and the largest yellow perch measured was a 13.5-inch fish harvested in May.

Other panfish caught during the 2005 survey include, bluegill (50 caught, 19 harvested) and rock bass (32 caught, 5 harvested).

### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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The Department thanks the cooperators who

generously allowed the department to keep a boat and snowmobile on their property during this survey.

We also thank fish management staff who worked in conjunction with the creel survey performing in-water sampling of the fish community.

We also thank all the anglers who took the time to offer information about their fishing trip to the survey clerk. Without their cooperation the survey would not have been possible.

Additional copies of this report and those covering other local lakes can be obtained from the Woodruff DNR. Requests should be directed to:

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Table 1. Sportfishing effort summary, Big Portage Lake, 2006-07 season.

Month	Total Angler Hours	Total Angler Hours/Acre	Vilas County Average Hours/Acre	Statewide Average Hours/Acre
May	2612	4.1	5.4	5.8
June	1696	2.7	7.1	6.1
July	1433	2.2	7.7	6.4
August	1278	2.0	6.7	5.4
September	873	1.4	4.2	3.8
October	191	0.3	2.0	1.6
December	287	0.4	0.5	1.7
January	521	0.8	0.7	1.5
February	120	0.2	0.9	1.3
March	127	0.2	0.1	**
*Summer Total	8083	12.7	34.1	29.1
*Winter Total	1055	1.7	2.1	4.5
Grand Total	9137	14.3	36.2	33.6

<sup>\*&</sup>quot;Summer" is May-October; "Winter" is December-March

**Total Angler Hours** is the estimated total number of hours that anglers spent fishing on Big Portage Lake during each month surveyed.

**Total Angler Hours/Acre** is the total angler hours divided by the area of the lake in acres. This is useful if you wish to compare effort on Big Portage Lake to other lakes.

**County Average Hours/Acre** is the average angler effort in hours per acre for county lakes that have been surveyed since 1990. This value can be useful in comparisons as well.

**Statewide Average Hours/Acre** is the average angler effort in hours per acre for inland lakes in the state surveyed between 1990 and 1995. This value can be used to compare Big Portage Lake to other lakes statewide.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Too few lakes have been surveyed in March to give a meaningful statewide average.

Table 2. Creel survey synopses, <u>Big Portage Lake</u>, 2006-07 fishing season.

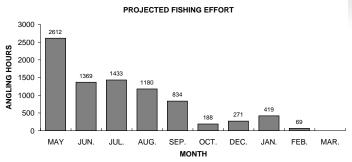
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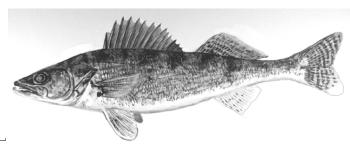
SPECIES	DIRECTED EFFORT (Hours)	PERCENT OF TOTAL	TOTAL CATCH	SPECIFIC CATCH RATE (Hrs/Fish) *	TOTAL HARVEST	SPECIFIC HARVEST RATE (Hrs/Fish) **	MEAN LENGTH OF HARVESTED FISH
Walleye	8375	73.78%	4221	2.0	1560	5.4	13.6
Northern Pike	51	0.4%	3		3		22.1
Muskellunge	37	0.33%	0		0		
Smallmouth Bass	901	7.94%	842	1.4	9	125.0	16.0
Largemouth Bass	60	0.53%	22	15.8	0		
Yellow Perch	1787	15.74%	550	3.5	441	4.4	10.5
Bluegill	111	0.98%	50		19		8.6
Rock Bass	30	0.26%	32		5		

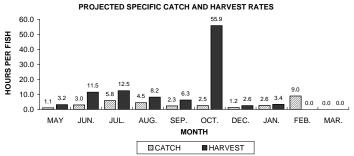
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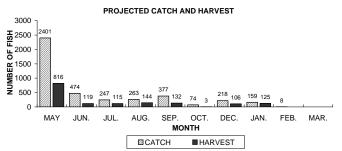
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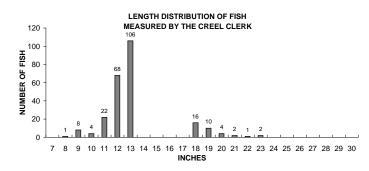
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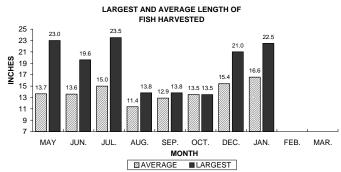




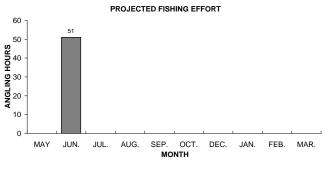


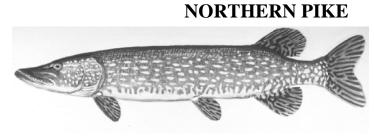


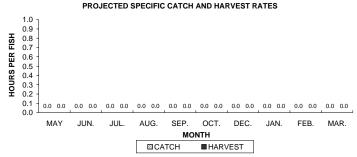


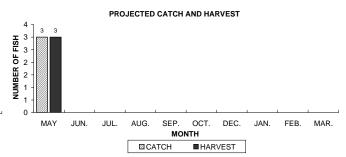


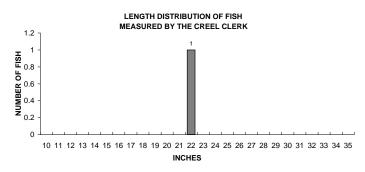
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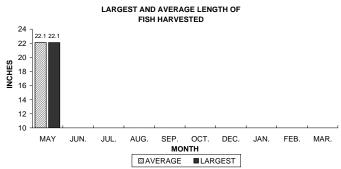




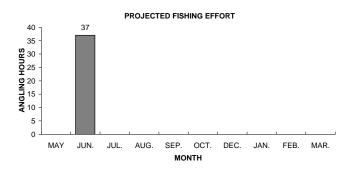


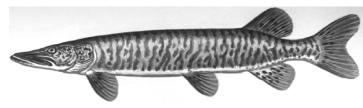


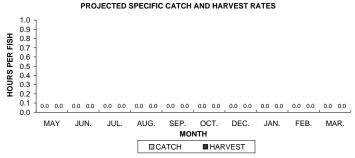


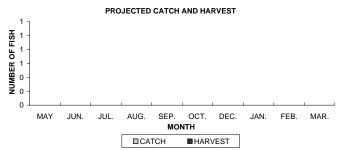


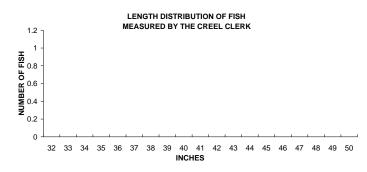
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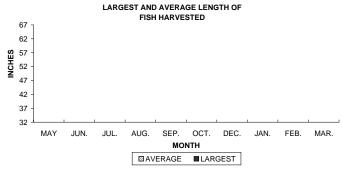
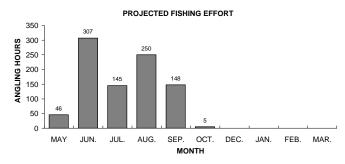
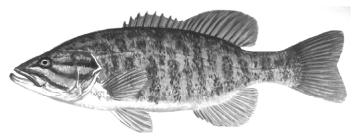
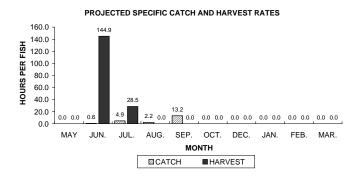


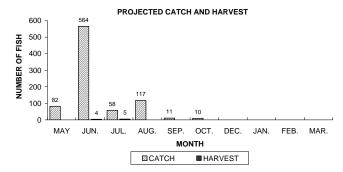
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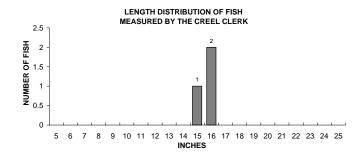
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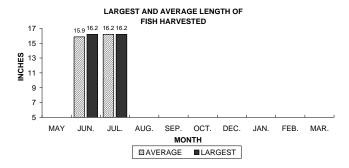
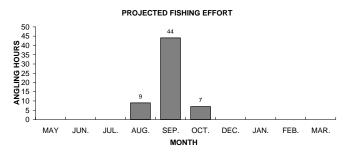
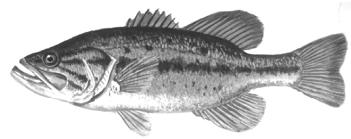


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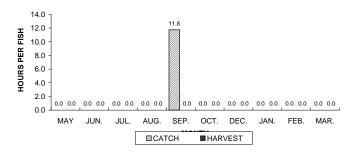
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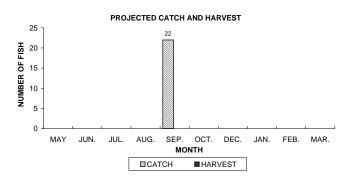
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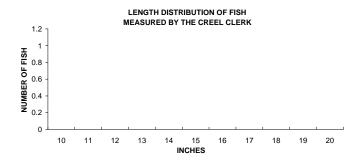


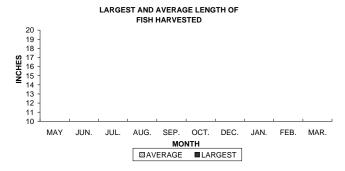


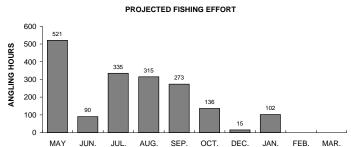
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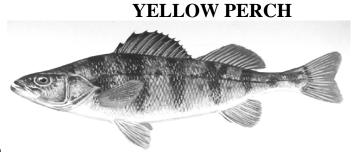






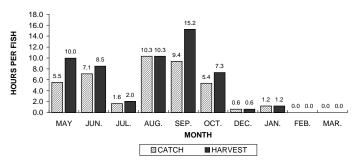


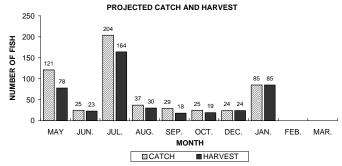


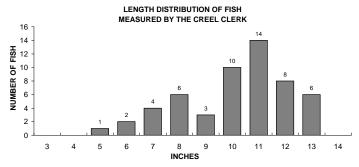


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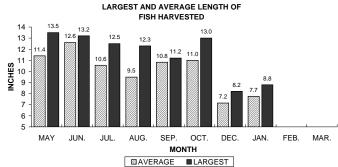
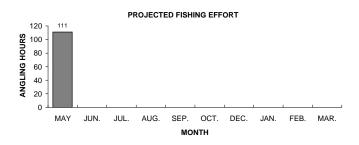


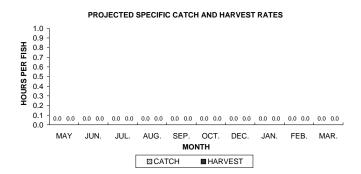
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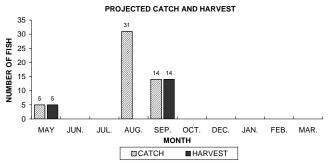
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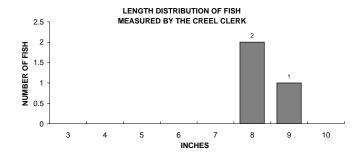
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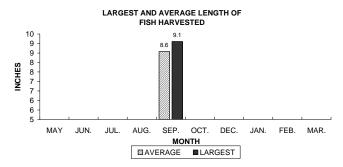


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## **ROCK BASS**

