

Title: BASS MORITORIUM

To all Lake Ramsey Residents,

In an effort to improve the overall quality of the lake, the following measures have been taken.

1. A catch and release moratorium for bass has been put into place. All bass are to be released back into the lake until further notice.
2. All catfish and carp caught are not to be returned to the lake until further notice.
3. Some residents have either started putting structure under their docks or have plans to do so in the future.
4. All structure placed in the lake has to be approved by the Lake Committee.
5. It is important to know where all structure is located and to place larger groupings of structure instead of many small structures. This enhances the purpose of the structure.
6. On December 15, 2016, one thousand F-1 hybrid bass fingerlings were released in the lake in various locations. This will enhance the genetics of our existing bass population thereby increasing the growth rate, survivability, and catchability.
7. We have steadily seen a reduction in the grass carp population in the lake. The reduction has been accomplished by natural mortality of the fish species, removal by fishing with hook and line, bow fishing and netting.
8. Our consultant, Mark McElroy, will perform another fish survey in the spring to access the health of the lake and the status of the different fisheries present in Lake Ramsey.

We are hopeful that the steps taken will set us on a path to a full recovery of our once wonderful fisheries and improve the overall quality of Lake Ramsey. We ask for patience and cooperation by the residents of this great community to help move this process along. If any residents are interested in placing structure under their docks, please contact someone on the lake committee (Dimy Cossich or Billy Abbott) so that a plan can be developed on the best course of action to accomplish this goal. If any resident has good ideas as to help improve the fisheries of our lake, again, please contact someone on the lake committee. Your ideas are appreciated and valued. If you have a question or concern please reach out at email below.

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Again, thanks to all residents and lets work together to make our lake something we can all be proud of.

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