

TERRY PARK POND

FISHERIES FACT SHEET

Terry Park Pond is under cooperative management between The Illinois Department of Natural Resources, and the Terry Park Board. This agreement was put into effect on September 5, 1995 to monitor, and manage the pond for all recreational users.

LOCATION – 1.5 miles east of Palmyra, IL.

AREA – 3.4 acres ; shoreline length 0.55 miles ; watershed acreage 300 ; maximum depth 9 feet ; average depth 4 feet.

DESCRIPTION – Terry Park Pond has no boat ramp, and has access for bank anglers only. Bait and tackle can be purchased either at the Otter Lake Park office, or in the town of Palmyra. Picnicking can be undertaken at Terry Park which is adjacent to the pond.

STATUS OF THE SPORT FISHERY – Approximately 11 species inhabit Terry Park Pond. These fish are as follows: Channel Catfish, Bluegill, Green Sunfish, Largemouth Bass, Redear Sunfish, White Crappie, Black Crappie, Warmouth, Yellow Bullhead, Golden Shiner, and Yellow Bass.

LARGEMOUTH BASS – Terry Park Pond has a solid bass population. During the fall of 2014, 60 bass were captured during 30 minutes of daytime electrofishing effort. These fish measured from 4" to 17.25", and weighed up to 2.6 lbs. 16 (27%) were at least 12", 5 (8%) exceeded 15", and none were found over 18" during this survey.

BLUEGILL – IDNR-Fisheries found 43 Bluegill during our 30 minute shocking run. I was pleasantly surprised with what we saw! These fish ranged from 2" to 9", and weighed up to .52 lbs. 20 (47%) attained 6", 18 (42%) reached 7", 3 (7%) topped 8", and 1 (2%) made it to 9" in total length.

CHANNEL CATFISH – Only 1- 6 lb. catfish was collected during this sample. IDNR-Fisheries does stock this species at 8" to 10" on a periodic basis.

FISHING REGULATIONS – Below are site specific angling regulations.

All Fish – 2 pole and line fishing only.

Largemouth Bass – 15" minimum length limit ; 3 fish per day creel limit.

Channel Catfish – 6 fish daily creel limit.

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