

## CSLAP Anglers Survey

1. **Name of Lake:** \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Location:** \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Do you live on this lake?** \_\_\_\_\_
4. **Please indicate the type of waters you fish the most in New York State** (circle one):
  - a. This lake
  - b. Nearby small lakes
  - c. Nearby large lakes
  - d. Nearby streams or rivers
  - e. One or more of the large NYS lakes- Great Lakes, Finger Lakes, etc.
  - f. Ocean/saltwater
  - g. Other (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
5. **What are your favorite species to fish in this lake** (choose up to three?):
  - a. Black bass (largemouth or smallmouth)
  - b. Bullhead/catfish
  - c. Carp
  - d. Muskie or Tiger muskie
  - e. Northern pike
  - f. Pickerel
  - g. Salmon
  - h. Sucker
  - i. Sunfish (bluegill, pumpkinseed,...)
  - j. Lake trout
  - k. Other trout (brook, brown, rainbow)
  - l. Walleye
  - m. White perch
  - n. Yellow perch
  - o. Other \_\_\_\_\_)
  - p. No favored fish species
6. **What fish species do you most frequently catch in this lake** (choose up to three?):
  - a. Black bass (largemouth or smallmouth)
  - b. Bullhead/catfish
  - c. Carp
  - d. Muskie or Tiger muskie
  - e. Northern pike
  - f. Pickerel
  - g. Salmon
  - h. Sucker
  - i. Sunfish (bluegill, pumpkinseed,...)
  - j. Lake trout
  - k. Other trout (brook, brown, rainbow)
  - l. Walleye
  - m. White perch
  - n. Yellow perch
  - o. Other \_\_\_\_\_)
  - p. None- not usually successful
7. **How frequently do you fish on this lake** (circle one)?
  - a. Daily (or nearly every day)
  - b. Several times per week
  - c. About once per week
  - d. Several times per month
  - e. About once per month
  - f. Several times per year
  - g. About once per year
8. **Where do you do your fishing on this lake** (circle all that apply)?
  - a. Boat
  - b. Dock
  - c. Shoreline
  - d. Ice
  - e. Other \_\_\_\_\_
9. **How do you most frequently access this lake to go fishing** (circle one)?
  - a. My own dock or shoreline
  - b. Neighbor or friends dock or shoreline
  - c. Public access site
  - d. Marina or private access site
  - e. Walk onto the ice
  - f. Other \_\_\_\_\_
10. **Do you frequently take your boat from other lakes to this lake?**
  - a. Yes \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. No- boat never leaves lake \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. No- I don't boat on this lake \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Not applicable- no boat \_\_\_\_\_
11. **Do you wash or inspect your boat before entering this lake?**
  - a. Yes \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. No \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_
12. **Do you wash or inspect your boat after leaving this lake?**
  - a.. Yes \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. No \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Not applicable \_\_\_\_\_
13. **Have you seen any invasive plants in this lake?**  
If yes, specify \_\_\_\_\_
14. **Have you seen any invasive animals (fish, zebra mussels, spiny water flea) in this lake?**  
If yes, specify \_\_\_\_\_

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15. How satisfied were you with the size of fish you caught on this lake this year (circle one)?

- a. Very satisfied
- b. Satisfied
- c. No opinion or neutral
- d. Unsatisfied
- e. Very unsatisfied

16. How satisfied were you with the number of fish you caught on this lake this year (circle one)?

- a. Very satisfied
- b. Satisfied
- c. No opinion or neutral
- d. Unsatisfied
- e. Very unsatisfied

17. What do you do with the fish you catch on this lake (choose one)?

- a. Catch and release only
- b. Catch and eat at least some of the fish
- c. Catch and eat all fish
- d. Catch and keep for other purposes
- e. Other \_\_\_\_\_

18. How would you rate your overall fishing experience on this lake (choose one)?

- a. Positive (complete questions 19, 21 & 23)
- b. No opinion (complete question 21-23)
- c. Negative (complete questions 20 to 23)

19. What factors positively affected your fishing experience on this lake (circle any that apply)?

- a. Good access
- b. Stocking or management programs
- c. Abundance or size of game fish
- d. Abundance or size of sports fish
- e. Diverse fish community
- f. Invasive vegetation control
- g. Other: specify \_\_\_\_\_
- h. \_\_\_\_\_

20. What factors negatively affected your fishing experience on this lake (circle any that apply)?

- a. Poor access to the lake
- b. Few fish/fish not biting
- c. Undesirable fish in lake
- d. Excessive weeds
- e. Poor water quality (foam, algal blooms..)
- f. Too many anglers
- g. Too many other lake users (boaters,...)
- h. Other: specify \_\_\_\_\_
- i. \_\_\_\_\_)

21. Which of the following factors would likely improve the fishing experience on this lake (circle any that apply)?

- a. No improvements needed
- b. Increase the number of boat ramps
- c. Add amenities to existing ramps (wash stations, information kiosks, trash receptacles, etc.)
- d. Increase the number of shoreline fishing access points or piers
- e. Decrease (or eliminate) existing boat ramps
- f. Decrease (or eliminate) shoreline fishing access points
- g. Implement speed or horsepower limits
- h. Stock additional coldwater fish (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- i. Stock additional warmwater fish (specify \_\_\_\_\_)
- j. Remove trash fish
- k. Require catch and release policy
- l. Control excessive weeds
- m. Increase weed coverage or beds
- n. Improve water quality conditions
- o. Other (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

22. Where did you get this survey form (circle one)?

- a. Lake association meeting
- b. Fishing club
- c. Other (specify \_\_\_\_\_)

23. Did you complete this survey form for any other lakes this year?

- a. No
- b. Yes (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

24. What year were you referring to when you filled out this survey? \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for participating in this survey!

Surveys should be returned to the lake association or sent to:  
NYS Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program  
c/o Scott Kishbaugh  
NYSDEC Division of Water  
625 Broadway, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Albany, NY 12233-3502