

South Spring Lake

McCoy Drive, Aurora
Fox Valley Park District

Fish Community: Bluegill (76%) the prevalent species by far, with largemouth bass (8%) and black crappie (6%) found in small numbers. White crappie, gizzard shad and hybrid sunfish comprised an additional 5%.

Species average size, length: A balance of young, intermediate and older bass lends a consistent size structure with 66% of the bass between 8 and 12 inches and 33% of those exceeding 12 inches. Bluegill populations are extremely high, with the majority of bluegills skewed toward the small and intermediate size between 2 and 5 inches. Good numbers of black crappie, but all were less than 8 inches.

Overall fishery assessment: Sport fish community has sufficient size and abundance to support decent fishing with a balanced size structure for largemouth bass. Good crappie population for a small lake, which adds diversity to the fishery. An overabundance of small and intermediate bluegills suggest quality bluegill fishing is not the best, although panfish action is high as a result.

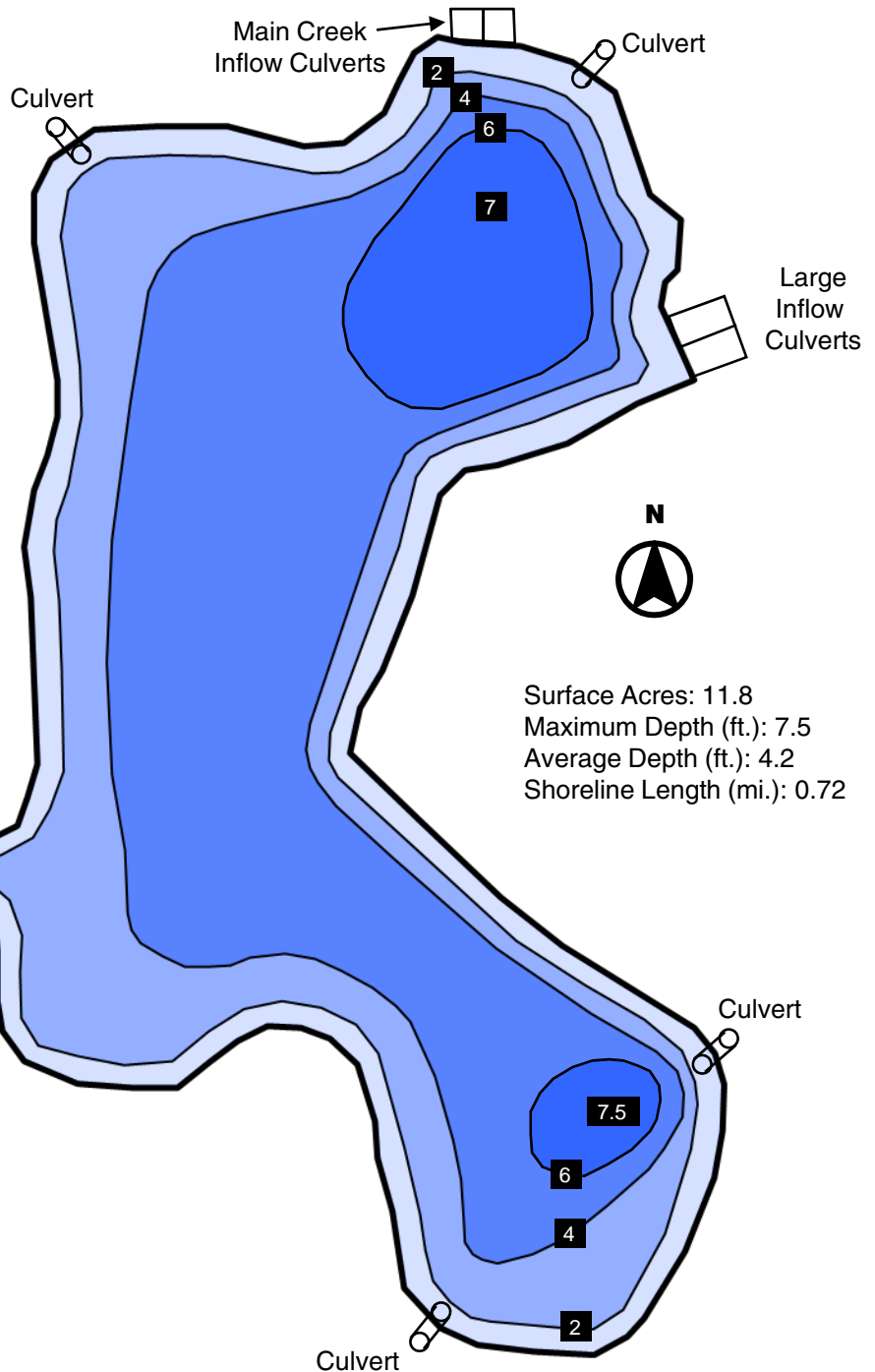
Creel Limits

All species: 2 pole and line fishing only

Largemouth/Smallmouth

bass: 15-inch minimum length; 3 fish daily creel limit

Channel catfish: No minimum length limit; 6 fish daily creel limit



Surface Acres: 11.8
Maximum Depth (ft.): 7.5
Average Depth (ft.): 4.2
Shoreline Length (mi.): 0.72