

EAGLE LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION,
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May the sixteenth,
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Mr. C. Willard Greene,
Aquatic Biologist,
Conservation Department,
Albany, New York.

Dear Mr. Greene:-

I was greatly pleased with, and I thank you for your letter of May 5th with its detailed account of your observations, recently made, to supplement the study of the survey of the biological survey which was made last summer at Eagle Lake

I note you found numerous specimens of blunt-nosed minnows, a few golden shiners, and an abundant supply of johnny-darters in the shelving beaches. These, together with the young white-fish you stated would afford good food conditions in the lake.

I have also noted that you concluded, from your findings, that the food conditions are so excellent that they could hardly be improved upon, particularly not by the introduction of minnows.

Your recent re-check of the biological study made last summer seems to prove that the views of our enthusiastic & consistent fishermen who with Dr. Runge claim that there is an ample supply of minnows and food-fish for the game species inhabiting Eagle Lake, are largely true.

If being agreed that the supply of food-fish is ample, how can we account for fishing by angling not to be as good as it was ten years ago?

Could it be that we do not get enough bass-stock for replenishing the supply?

Or, could the fishing through the ice be the detriment which by taking out large specimens in winter prevents their spawn which would be cast in the springtime from replenishing the supply?

We would be interested in hearing your reply to these queries. If a more abundant supply of bass for stocking than what we have been receiving is necessary will you endeavor to have the Conservation Department send us a more liberal supply of bass when they fill our application filed March 6th, 1933?

Your practical suggestion to provide shelter for the small fishes by means of brush-piles close to the shoreline is a good one and I will advise the members of our association to follow your suggestion.

I would welcome a conference with you and the members of our association during the coming summer--between July 15 and Aug. 15th--if you could arrange to come to Eagle Lake then. We would be glad of your advice & will cheerfully cooperate with you and the Conservation Department in your work, wherever possible.

I thank you for calling my attention to the paper entitled "Objectives & Methods in the Lake Inventory of Michigan" by McMurry, Eschmeyer & Davis and I have written for a copy of it.

very truly yours,

Secty-Treas.

Edmund O. Luthy,
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