



Sparta Old City Reservoir (South)

2017 FISHERIES FACT SHEET

LOCATION: Sparta Old City Reservoir (South) is located in Randolph County. From Sparta head south on SR 4 for 1.5 miles, turn east on Summerville Road and take Lake City Lake Road north to the ramp.

DESCRIPTION: Sparta Old City Reservoir (South) is 25 acres in size. There is a single lane boat ramp. There are no concessions available.

STATUS OF THE SPORT FISHERY – The following is a brief summary of the major sport fish species based on annual fish population surveys conducted by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Largemouth Bass – This lake has an excellent bass population. During the 2016 fall electrofishing sample, largemouth bass were collected at a rate of 118 fish per hour. Of the 59 bass collected, 53% were over 15 inches, 42% were over 16 inches, and 17% were over 18 inches.

Crappie – This lake has an average crappie population consisting of both black and white crappie. Of the 9 crappie collected in the 2016 survey, 2 were over nine inches.

Bluegill Sunfish – The bluegill population is average. Although 7 inch bluegill are present, no bluegill over eight inches have been collected in the last 4 fisheries surveys.

Redear Sunfish – No redear sunfish have been collected in the last 4 fisheries surveys.

Channel Catfish - The channel catfish population is good. Twelve catfish were collected in the 2016 survey ranging in size from 13-21 inches. Channel catfish are stocked annually and have been collected in each of the last 4 surveys.

Fishing regulations:

Species	Creel Limit	Minimum Length Limit
All Fish	2 Pole and Line Fishing Only	
Bluegill and Redear Sunfish	15	None
Channel Catfish	6	None
Largemouth Bass	6	15"

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