

PARRY SOUND AREA LAKE SUMMARIES

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Big Eddy Head Pond

Created: June 03 Revised:

Location:

MNR District:	Parry Sound
Geographic Township:	Gibson
Municipal Township:	Georgian Bay
Watershed:	Moon River
Angling Division:	15

Basin and Terrain Characteristics:

1979
16 meters
Cool
Road (Restricted Hydro)
Regulated (Hydro Dams)

Water Quality:

(Parameters pertain to fisheries habitat only. For information on potability of water or contaminates, contact Min. of Health and Min. of Environment.)

Secchi reading: 5.5 meters Colour:

Dissolved Oxygen: Alkalinity: 13.7 mg/l pH: 7.0 Total Phosphorus: M.E.I.:

"Guide to eating fish": No Information

Fisheries:

Game Fish Species: Walleye, Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, Rock Bass, Northern Pike, Muskellunge, Yellow Perch(1983)

Other species present: Pumpkinseed, Slimy Sculpin

Exotic Species:

Stocking Record:

Stress Type: Water Level Fluctuations

Use Type: Hydro Power

Summary of Fisheries Studies / Reports:

McIntyre, E., 1984 1983 Status Report on the Fish Populations in the Big Eddy Head Pond

- C.U.E. is comparable to the 1979 survey for Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass and Muskellunge
- C.U.E. for Pumpkinseed, Rock Bass and pike are higher than 1979
- C.U.E. for Walleye is lower than 1979

Thurston, L.D.W., 1981 Effects of Drawdown on the Fish Populations Inhibiting the Big Eddy Head Pond

- Drawdown had little influence on fish populations with the possible exception of walleye
- Walleye spawning may not be successful due to water level fluctuations
- Recommend stocking 200 adult largemouth bass as habitat is more suitable to this specie

Management Prescription: