

Welcome to Our Lakes

The Pickerel/Crane Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District welcomes you to our lakes. We have highlighted a few of the regulations and guidelines below so you and your family can enjoy a safe and memorable vacation while protecting our lakes for future generations.

- **Boat Landings** Please read all boat landing signage for important information.

No Power Loading

Power loading creates holes in the landing area and dispenses sediment into the lake.

Clean Weeds Off Trailers, Boats and Anchors Before and After Using the Lakes.

We are actively working to control the spread of Eurasian Milfoil. If this invasive species is not contained, both lakes will be difficult to navigate and will prohibit fishing and recreational boating.

Please Do Not Litter

Take all garbage with you and dispense at a designated trash receptacle.

- **Boating Guidelines**

✓ **No Wake Through the Channel** connecting Pickerel and Crane Lakes

✓ **Wake Boats are Discouraged** on our lakes.

Wake boarding creates a substantial wave of water, disturbing sediment while releasing dormant nutrients back into the lake causing algae blooms and shoreline erosion.

✓ **Clean off Weeds Before Entering Culvert from Pickerel Lake** (Obey Signage)

✓ **No Wake in all Shallow Bays** as it disturbs the sediment, releasing nutrients like nitrogen and phosphorus.

✓ **No Recreational Boating** (jet skis, tubing, water skiing, wakeboarding) **on Crane Lake after 6:00 P.M. and before 9:00 A.M.**

- **Fishing Guidelines**

✓ **Please Review all Bag Limits:** Walleye must be a minimum of 18" and a total of 3 may be kept.

A combination of panfish (including perch, bluegill, pumpkinseed, and crappie) has a maximum bag limit of 25. Largemouth Bass must be a minimum of 14" and 5 may be kept.

✓ **Possession Limit:** The possession limit is the maximum number of a species that you can control, transport, etc. at any given time and is always twice the daily bag limit.

✓ **Bullheads:** Recent research has told us that bullheads are detrimental to walleye and perch populations. Any bullheads that are caught, should NOT be returned to the lake.

✓ **Trolling Recommendations:** We recommend that IF you decide to troll for any species of fish, you limit 1 trolling line per person and a maximum of 3 lines per boat.

*Our Lake District has **Citizens Monitoring and Action Committees** on both lakes that constantly monitor all activity including recreational boating, fishing, boat landings and anything that pertains to the health and welfare of our lakes.*

If any activity is deemed illegal or unsafe, we do not hesitate to contact the authorities.

Please obey the rules and regulations while enjoying our lakes. See you on the water.