

Pearl Lake Clean Boats Clean Waters AIS Summary

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200 hours of Clean Boats Clean Waters AIS watercraft inspection coverage was provided by Golden Sands, Inc. for the period May 27 – September 7, 2017 at the Pearl Lake public boat ramp on S. Pearl Lake Rd, just outside of Redgranite, WI.

Activity on the boat ramp has been very slow throughout the season, with traffic being about 33% less than it was in 2016. The majority of watercraft entering and leaving the water were owned by residents on and around Pearl Lake. Ramp activity was busiest just before 11am and just after 4pm. Traffic on the lake itself was pretty heavy between the hours of 11am and 4pm, especially on weekends. The water around the boat launch was very clear with a weed-free sandy bottom. It was rare to see any lake weeds coming out of the water, but any were removed prior to leaving the ramp area.

Problems/Issues

None. All watercraft entering Pearl Lake were clean and free of water. All watercraft leaving the lake were cleaned and drained. Every boater was willing to answer questions and all understood the steps needed to prevent the spread of AIS. No invasive species were spotted or reported.

Summary of Activity

Total Watercraft Inspected	96
Total People Contacted	194
Average Watercraft per Hour of Coverage	.48
Average People Contacted per Hour of Coverage	.97
Entering	65
Leaving	31
Previous Contact-Y?	27
Previous Contact-N?	69
Answer Questions-Y?	96
Answer Questions-N?	0
Other Waterbody 5 days-Y?	11
Other Waterbody 5 days-N?	85
AIS steps-Strongly Agree?	2
AIS steps-Agree ?	94
AIS steps-Disagree?	0
AIS steps-Strongly Disagree?	0

General Observations

- The bottom of the boat launch is littered with fairly large stones that appear to have washed down the ramp during heavy rains. This has caused some issues with traction and spraying stones, especially when pulling boats out.
- Anglers reported generally fair to mediocre fishing conditions.
- You have a beautiful and clean lake.

Should you have any questions or need any clarification, please feel free to contact me.

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