Late summer to late fall pattern for catching bass on village lakes

Silverside minnow



- Silverside minnows are the primary forage for game fish in village lakes
- These are small minnows usually no more than 3 -4 inches

Bait Balls



- Starting in late August the silverside minnows form big balls of thousands of minnows along the bottom in 9 – 10 feet of water. The minnows will move into deeper water as the temp falls being in 25+ feet by mid winter.
- The picture above show these bait balls on 2D sonar.
- Find these bait balls and you'll find bass around them.

Best Bait Recommendation



- Best bait is a Zoom salt and pepper dead ringer worm on a 3/16 jig head (shown above)
- Cast the jig and let it sink to the bottom and slowly drag it thru the bait ball.
- Some anglers like to paint the jig head white and put a red or chartreuse dot on the tail of the worm.