

Lake Sedgewick- Orland Park, IL - Ron

95 acres

5-7' deep

8-9' max depth

Great contour with islands, peninsulas, coves

Low on woody brush habitat

Large population of common carp, yellow bass, gizzard shad and bullhead

Large population of small bluegill 3-6"

Large population of small crappie 5-8"

Overall low population of largemouth bass 10-16"

Good population of largemouth bass 16-20"

Recently started tiger muskie stocking program

The goal is to increase the size of the panfish, increase catch rates for largemouth bass, reduce the overall trash fish biomass in the lake, improve shoreline and dock fishing opportunities, and create a world class tiger muskie fishery.

Based on our conversations and observations, here are some recommendations for your situation:

- Add 20-30 brush piles to the lake every year. Use Christmas trees, cedar trees, hedge trees, or any brushy bushy branches in piles consisting of 3-5 trees per pile. Use concrete blocks or buckets full of concrete to anchor them down. This will help the largemouth bass better ambush the abundant forage in the lake.
- Continue strategically treating the Eurasian watermilfoil in your main recreation areas.
- Stock 500 largemouth bass 8-10" every year for the next 3 years. (usually around \$6 each)
- Stock 1500 channel catfish 8-10" every year for the next 3 years. (usually around \$1 each)
- Stock 95 tiger muskie 10-14" every year for the next 3 years. (usually around \$20 each)
- Suggested Daily Limits for the next 3 years:
 - Catch and Release Largemouth Bass
 - Catch and Release Tiger Muskie
 - 25 bluegill per day
 - 25 crappie per day
 - 5 yellow perch per day
 - 2 channel catfish per day

I would suggest sticking with this stocking and harvest plan for next 3 years and then re-evaluating to check on progress. Send any questions, reports, pics, or ideas over anytime to nate@hblakemanagement.com.