Stillwater Lake Susquehanna County

2018 Trap Net Survey

Area 4 biologists set 12 trap nets at Stillwater Lake during the week of May 14, 2018. Results demonstrate that Stillwater Lake continues to support attractive panfish populations. Nine inch Bluegills and 11 inch Black Crappie were common. Yellow Perch weren't as abundant as Bluegill and Black Crappie but reached 12.9 inches in length. Stillwater Lake also supported dense populations of Brown Bullhead and White Sucker with occasional Common Carp that reached 30 inches. Table 1 provides the full list of species we captured during this work. Note that we only caught one Largemouth Bass in the nets. However, bass don't generally go into trap nets, and are infrequently caught with this gear.

Species	Number Caught	Length Range (Inches)
Black Crappie	65	5.0 – 11.9
Bluegill	136	5.0 - 9.9
Brown Bullhead	191	3.0 – 14.9
Chain Pickerel	8	13.0 – 20.9
Common Carp	6	20.0 - 30.9
Golden Shiner	4	6.0 - 7.9
Largemouth Bass	1	18.0 – 18.9
Pumpkinseed	15	5.0 - 8.9
Rock Bass	1	9.0 - 9.9
Walleye	1	21.0 – 21.9
White Sucker	217	10.0 – 20.9
Yellow Bullhead	3	11.0 – 13.9
Yellow Perch	20	4.0 – 12.9

Table 1. Fish species captured at Stillwater Lake during the 2018 trap net survey.

Keystone College intern Joe Pacholec, with a Black Crappie and a Bluegill captured at Stillwater Lake in 2018.



Joe Pacholec, Keystone College, intern with a 30 inch Common Carp captured at Stillwater Lake in 2018.

