

# Proposed Fish Crib Project

Highland Lake Property Owners Association

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# Reasons for adding “Fish Cribs”

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- ✦ Fish cribs can be an important asset to the fishery from the standpoint that they support all levels of the aquatic food chain; especially in the greater depths. Currently our lake is lacking sufficient “vascular” or “structure” type plants for our fishery. Our current plant community consists primarily of “Chara” and “Spiny Niad” which forms more of a “blanket” and is not conducive to the current fish population. The cribs will act to enhance that which is lacking in the current aquatic community.





# Fish Crib Construction

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- ✦ The proposed cribs are constructed of modified (slats removed) pallets. The cribs are fastened together in bundles or stacks of 5 with plastic banding. A DNR regulation requires that the cribs have a minimum of 8' of water above them so they will be placed at a depth of 12'.

# Crib Placement

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- ✦ The cribs will then be anchored to the bottom of the lake by four 55lb. concrete blocks attached with aluminum wire. They will be placed in spots selected by the ILDNR fisheries biologist for maximum enhancement of our community's fishery .

