



# 2010 Fishing Forecast

# Nimisila Lake

Summit County  
743 Acres- Electric Motors Only



Compared to Other Inland Lakes and Reservoirs

Species	FISH POPULATION STATUS			Stocked	Anglers Seeking(%)
	Overall Numbers	This size or Larger	Largest Sampled		
Largemouth Bass	Excellent	12"	19.7"	<input type="checkbox"/>	53.2
Crappie	Fair	8"	11.9"	<input type="checkbox"/>	8.4
Walleye	Fair	15"	21.6"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.6
Channel Catfish	Fair	16"	27.4"	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4.0
Sunfish	Fair	6"	8.3"	<input type="checkbox"/>	7.7

**Largemouth Bass**                      **OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT**

Largemouth bass were sampled by electrofishing during spring 2009. Sixty-five percent of the bass sampled were 12" and longer. Eleven percent of those fish also exceeded 15".

**Crappie**                                      **OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT**

Both white and black crappie were sampled during fall 2009 trap-net surveys. Black crappie dominated the catch, with 90% of the fish sampled measuring at least 8" and 13% of the fish making it to 10" or more. For white crappie, 33% of the catch reached 8" or more, with nearly 17% of the fish reaching 10" or longer. NOTE: There will be a 9" length limit and daily bag limit of 30 crappie at this lake in 2010.

**Walleye**                                      **OUTLOOK: FAIR**

Walleye are occasionally sampled by the Division of Wildlife fisheries crews. Walleye stockings replaced former releases of saugeye, starting in 1999.

**Channel Catfish**                      **OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT**

This lake receives odd-year stockings of yearling channel catfish.

**Sunfish**                                      **OUTLOOK POOR**

Sunfish were sampled during 2008 spring electrofishing surveys. Only about 8% of the bluegill sampled measured at least 6". The average length of bluegill kept in 2006 was 6.5".

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## **NOTES:**

A relative newcomer to the Portage Lakes area, Nimisila Lake was built in 1936 and 1937 for the purpose of supplying water for industrial uses. It's primary purpose now is to provide another source of water feeding the Portage Lakes.