

**REND LAKE FISHING REPORT****August 19, 2018**

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**MAIN LAKE AND TRIBUTARIES**

SPECIES	RATING	BAIT OF CHOICE	SUGGESTED LOCATIONS	REGULATIONS
LARGEMOUTH BASS	Good	Minnows, spinner baits, worms, and black and blue jigs, soft plastics.	Reports of fish being caught around Jackie Branch, Sandusky Cove, and South Marcum Cove. Fish in shallow bays near brush cover and bushes. Fish around bridges and along the rocks.	14" minimum length limit, 6 daily creel limit. 1 fish daily creel limit in <b>PONDS</b> 14" minimum length.
CRAPPIE	Good	Small or medium minnows on a cork over the brush. Quarter-ounce pink and white tub jigs.	Crappie are suspended on the brush in the 8ft -12ft range. From shore, fish near structures, hot spots are Sailboat Harbor, and North & South Marcum. Some brush piles are holding lots of fish, keep moving and you will find the right spot. Try the main lake drop off areas.	25 fish daily creel limit with no more than <b>10</b> fish <b>10 inches</b> or longer
BLUEGILL	Fair	Small jigs, worms, meal worms, wax worms, crickets.	From shore try Sailboat Harbor and Mine 21 Road. Fish shallow with crickets, worms or small jigs. Try in the back of necks and on flat shallow banks and on the rocks. Set bait at half of water depth.	10 fish daily creel limit in <b>PONDS</b> .
CHANNEL CATFISH	Excellent	Garlic shrimp, leeches, cut shad, dip bait, and night crawlers. Sonny's stink bait.	Try garlic shrimp in moving water. Drift fish near the creek channels on the main lake. Also, try Waltonville Dam, Turnip Patch, and Jackie Branch as well. Creeks are doing well.	6 fish daily creel limit in <b>PONDS</b> . Jugs must be attended at all times while fishing.
WHITE BASS	Good	Rooster Tails and spoons. In-line spinners, jig and curly tail grubs.	Reports of fish being caught anywhere the shad are moving. Try the main lake points first. Fish around the rocks and drop-offs, near brush cover / bushes.	20 fish creel limit. No more than 3 fish 17" or longer daily

Information as of: 08/19/2018

LAKE LEVEL: 405.92 AVERAGE POOL FOR THIS DATE: 406.15 WATER TEMP: 83°F

Use of a minnow seine, cast net, or shad scoop for bait collecting within 1000 yards downstream of the Rend Lake dam and spillway is prohibited. Maps of the Fish Attractor tree locations along with GPS locations are available at the Rend Lake Corps of Engineers Project Office or online at [www.enjoyrend.com](http://www.enjoyrend.com). Contact Mark Cazier for more information at (618) 724-2493.