



DIVISION OF WILDLIFE
Ohio Department of Natural Resources

BEAVER CREEK RESERVOIR

Seneca County
110 Acres of Fishing Water
1.6 Miles of Shoreline

C-34



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1/8

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Scale in Miles

Depths based on normal summer pool elevation of 762 ft above mean sea level.
Contour intervals are in 3 ft increments.
Contours and depths shown on this map may change with fluctuating lake levels and alteration of the lake bottom.

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LEGEND

Boat Ramp



Outlet Structure



Parking



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Seneca County



LOCATION

Beaver Creek Reservoir is located in Northeastern Seneca County on Township Road 196, just off of State Route 101. It is about 5 miles southwest of Clyde.

HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION

Beaver Creek Reservoir is an upground reservoir owned by the city of Clyde; water is supplied to the reservoir by a pump station located on Beaver Creek, just south of the reservoir. Completed in 1971 as part of the Northwest Ohio Water Development Plan, it was built to provide water for industrial and municipal use, as well as recreation. Beaver Creek Reservoir has a surface area of 110 acres at maximum water level and a storage capacity of approximately 692 million gallons. The deepest section of the reservoir is in the conservation pool, which occupies about 25% of the reservoir. The conservation pool is designed to provide refuge for fish in case water is drawn down significantly. Beaver Creek Reservoir has a maximum depth of 38 feet, located due west of the boat ramp near the western shoreline. The reservoir has an average depth of about 19 feet. As a whole, the reservoir has a high average depth, so there is limited shallow water. There is some shallower water with aquatic vegetation in the southeastern corner of the reservoir, however. Beaver Creek Reservoir is open to public fishing through a cooperative agreement between the City of Clyde and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife.

FISH OF INTEREST TO ANGLERS

The Division of Wildlife stocks yellow perch, walleye, and channel catfish into Beaver Creek Reservoir. Additionally, the reservoir has populations of bluegill, largemouth bass, white crappie, and bullheads. Rock bass, green sunfish, suckers, and carp have been pumped into the reservoir from Beaver Creek.

METHODS OF FISHING AND BEST FISHING SITES

There is limited shallow water in Beaver Creek Reservoir; these areas are the riprapped shorelines and the southeastern corner of the reservoir where some aquatic vegetation grows. These shallower areas provide better food production than the deeper waters and serve to concentrate fish for angling. Spring is a good time to fish for nearly all species. Spawning fish frequently come close to shore in the spring and can be caught by shore fishing. Boat fishing is usually the most effective method for any open water because you can fish over greater areas. Drift fishing or trolling shorelines near the bottom is effective for walleye, yellow perch, bass, and channel catfish. When fish are not spawning locate them in deep water areas and troll or drift over them.

Largemouth bass are usually shoreline residents in upground reservoirs, inhabiting shallower waters. They are best caught during the spring on live baits or artificial worms and baits fished along the shorelines.

Bluegills concentrate around the outlet structures and in shallower water, especially where vegetation is present. Best baits to use are redworms or larval baits such as waxworms or mousies.

Walleyes are present throughout the reservoir and can usually be taken on nightcrawlers or artificial lures; weighted spinners and worm combinations are the most productive. Walleyes are usually caught around wave-washed shorelines in the spring and by drift fishing or trolling during summer and early fall.

Yellow perch are usually found in the same areas as walleyes, although they seek the shoreline cover areas more often in late summer and fall. Best baits for open water fishing are minnows and worms.

Fishing for bullheads is usually best during the spring months. Live nightcrawlers are the best baits when fished on the earthen bottom of the reservoir, either from the shoreline or from boats.

Channel catfish fishing is usually best during late spring and summer. Although many channel cats are caught with bullhead fishing techniques, many large catfish are taken by drift fishing or balloon fishing with live nightcrawlers.

Ice fishing is allowed at your own risk. Avoid the outlet pipe located in the northeastern corner of the lake. We recommend not fishing alone and take ice safety precautions. Bluegill and yellow perch are caught readily through the ice using larval baits such as mousies, waxworms, and wigglers on ice flies. Jigging spoons or ice lures are effective for walleye. The secret to successful ice fishing is to move frequently from hole to hole until you locate fish.

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Boats are allowed on the reservoir with electric motors only. The boat ramp and main parking area are on the east side of the reservoir off Township Road 196. Additional parking is located near the southeast corner of the reservoir off Township Road 196 and on the northern end of the reservoir off County Road 34. The boat ramp and parking areas are operated by the city of Clyde. Hunting is permitted on the lake with a permit from the Clyde City Manager's Office, 222 N Main St, Clyde, OH 43410; telephone (419) 547-6898.

FISH OHIO

Anglers who catch a big fish should enter their prize in the Fish Ohio angler recognition program. A fish qualifies for an award if it meets the minimum size requirement set for the Fish Ohio program. Applications are available online at FishOhio.org.

FISH MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Fish management activities by the Ohio Division of Wildlife include stocking, fish population monitoring with sampling equipment, age and growth studies, angler harvest studies, and water quality analysis. These activities provide a continual check of water quality and fish population and a sound basis for management practices necessary to furnish quality public fishing.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The nearest district office is Wildlife District Two, 952 Lima Ave., Findlay, Ohio 45840; telephone (419) 424-5000. The Division also has a Web site for information on fishing regulations, tips, maps and other wildlife related material (wildohio.com). To get other maps or publications call toll free 1-800-WILDLIFE.

TURN IN A POACHER

Ohio's TIP, "Turn In a Poacher," program is helping curtail poaching throughout the state. TIP is designed to involve the public in reporting wildlife violations. Citizens who observe wildlife violations should call the TIP toll-free hotline, 1-800-POACHER.



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