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## **Indian Lake Aeration-CAUTION**

The Dane County Parks Department began aeration of Indian Lake in Indian Lake County Park on December 5, 2024. Located in Northwest Dane County in the Town of Berry, the Park is a popular recreational destination. Dane County and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources continue to work on restoring the fishery and stocked the lake with bass, bluegill, catfish, yellow perch and northern pike in 2019.

The aeration system is designed to create upwelling of water which allows for a portion of the lake to remain ice free. Oxygen diffusion from the atmosphere will help fish survive through the winter months should ice depth and snow cover prevent sunlight from reaching the plants and ultimately depleting life sustaining oxygen.

Indian Lake County Park is one of Dane County's most popular destinations and offers users a multitude of recreational opportunities. While no ice is ever considered safe, the Parks Department advises all patrons along with your pets to avoid the lake until colder temperatures create greater ice depth.

For questions, please contact:

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