



INDIANA BASS FEDERATION

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Indiana Bass Federation (IBF) to release 3,200 largemouth bass into Lake Monroe on Saturday April 27, 2019 as part of the Indiana DNR – Reservoir Habitat Enhancement Program

(Bloomington, In) The Indiana Bass Federation, a state organization with the purpose to assist and unite member clubs and to assist and cooperate with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in matters that are mutually beneficial to Indiana resources has announced they will be **releasing approx. 3,200, 8”-10” inch largemouth bass into Lake Monroe on Saturday, April 27, 2019 @ approx. 6:00 AM.** IBF Conservation Director Jason Hartz said the Indiana DNR has been crucial in the habitat planning and coordination of the fish release.

Lake Monroe, in Monroe County is the third lake selected as part the Indiana DNR Reservoir Habitat Enhancement Program. Various IBF clubs and other volunteers assisted the DNR with placement of habitat in Lake Monroe in 2018. The five-year project to improve fish habitat in five impoundments around the state began in 2016. Sullivan Lake and Raccoon Lake were the first two to have habitat placed in the lake. Raccoon Lake was stocked in April of 2018. Projects will continue at Sylvan Lake in Noble County in 2019; and Lake Patoka in Dubois County near Jasper in 2020. For more information, visit <https://www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/7665.htm>

The goal is to stock bass in Lake Monroe in 2019 and 2021. If anyone would like to be a part of this cause, the IBF has a GoFundMe page so additional funds can be directed to continue and expand the stocking program to other lakes. To view the GoFundMe page go to <https://www.gofundme.com/ibf-bucks-for-bass-campaign>

All are invited and encouraged to attend the fish release event this Saturday, April 27, 2019 at approx. 6:00 AM.