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I FISH NY FRESHWATER FISHING MAP NOW AVAILABLE FROM DEC
Map/Brochure Provides Fishing Information on Over 400 Lakes, Ponds, Rivers and Streams

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's (DEC) Bureau of Fisheries is offering a new, full color map/brochure free of charge for individuals who fish in the freshwaters of New York, the agency announced today. The I FISH NY Guide to Freshwater Fishing in New York State provides information on over 320 NY lakes and ponds and 112 river and streams.

"Research shows one of the primary reasons people do not fish more often is because of a lack of information concerning where to fish," said Kathy Moser, assistant commissioner, DEC Office of Natural Resources. "Our comprehensive map provides all the information needed to have a quality freshwater fishing experience, and is part of our agency's overall efforts to help connect New Yorkers and others to our natural resources."

The large 36" x 37.5" map folds into a convenient 3.875" x 9" size. One side provides a map of New York state identifying locations of fishing waters recommended by DEC regional staff. The other side provides tables with details on each water, including the fish species present, the type of access provided and who owns it, whether or not it is open to ice fishing, the availability of fishing piers, marinas or local campsites and any permits or other restrictions that apply. Guidance on how to buy a fishing license, register a boat or make a camping reservation in New York is also included, along with information for anglers desiring to fish the Great Lakes for wild trout, wilderness brook trout or black bass. Anglers will also find important phone numbers and e-mail addresses for various contacts, along with a quick response (QR) code providing a smartphone link to the current New York Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide. Color identification photos and descriptions of popular sportfish in New York are also provided.

The I FISH NY Guide to Freshwater Fishing in New York State was completed using Federal Aid in Sportfish Restoration grant funds and can be obtained free of charge by visiting any DEC regional office, or by mail. To receive a map in the mail, e-mail a request to DEC at: fwfish@gw.dec.state.ny.us. Requests by e-mail should include the name and complete address of the recipient, as well as NY Fishing Map in the subject line.

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