

LARGEMOUTH BASS SPAWNING BENCH



Materials:

- One 2"x10"x4'
- Two 2"x 6"x 4'
- Six 3 ½" spiral decking nails
- One scrap automobile tire 14"-15"
- # 89 pea gravel
- Recommend pressure treated lumber

Construction:

- 1) Sharpen ends of the two 2" x 6"x 4' pieces to a point with chainsaw.
- 2) Drive the two sharpened pieces into lake bottom about 3 ½' apart leaving 22"-24" extending above lake bottom. These form the uprights for bench top.
- 3) Place the 2"x 10"x 4' piece on top of uprights for bench top. Evenly space top on the sides and ends and nail to uprights using the spiral decking nails.
- 4) Cut out one sidewall of the scrap tire and place under spawning bench.
- 5) Fill tire with # 89 pea gravel for a spawning substrate.

Note: Construct spawning bench so as to be at the 4'-6' depth when reservoir is returned to full pool in spring. Also recommend that spawning benches be constructed under boathouses or docks, but not where people may swim or dive. Modifications can be made as necessary.