

**RANGER REPORT**  
**January 17 – January 25, 2015**

**What another great and warm weekend! This is Ranger Eric sending you the SBEA fishing report. With the warm weather and the ice on the lake totally gone, the trout picked up the bite and were back to hitting on gold Berkley dough bait and crawlers. Large crappies were being caught using pinky minnows just on a bare hook. The north east corner and the west side of the island road were the places to be. We even had some bass caught Saturday afternoon on rubber worms fished slowly! Now a trout fishing tip for you members that may be having problems picking up the trout bite. These trout feed heavily anytime in the winter when the weather is about to change. For example if you see a cold or warm front rolling in, fish the evening before or the day of the weather change. If we have stationary weather where it will remain the same for a few days, fish the drop-offs deep and slow. The trout will still bite but they do not hit the bait as aggressively. Our water is pretty clear also so if you are fishing in the middle of the day and its sunny out, fish the drop offs again, under the docks and anywhere there is shadows for the trout to hide in. Good luck everyone!**