

BREAKING Trump denies he used vulgarity to describe Haiti, African countries



Build

[http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/mud-lake-fish-kill-starts-monday-to-remove-carp-improve/article\\_a80999ec-5f1e-5eca-8c45-c7c393426036.html](http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/mud-lake-fish-kill-starts-monday-to-remove-carp-improve/article_a80999ec-5f1e-5eca-8c45-c7c393426036.html)

## Mud Lake fish kill starts Monday to remove carp, improve fishery

BILL NOVAK bnovak@madison.com 39 min ago



Ice fishing will not be recommended on Mud Lake near Roxbury starting Monday, because the lake is being treated with a chemical to kill carp so it can be restocked with panfish.

Archive photo

Mud Lake in far northwest Dane County should be fish-free within several weeks, with the small lake getting treated chemically to rid the waters of carp.

The Dane County Land and Water Resources Department said the treatment will start Monday on the 51-acre lake near the Dane County-Columbia County line in the town of Roxbury.

The treatment will kill all fish in the lake, but most of the fish are carp, so with water devoid of fish, the lake will be restocked in spring with bluegills and bass.

"Carp have negatively impacted the aquatic plant community, which has resulted in poor water quality conditions, including blue-green algae blooms," said Nathan Nye, fisheries biologist with the Department of Natural Resources.

The project was supposed to take place in 2017, but officials worried the chemical used, rotenone, would also get into Fish Lake, which is across Fish Lake Road from Mud Lake and is connected via culverts under the road.

Mud Lake will be posted with informational placards about the treatment, and Fish Lake will be also posted in the "transitional" area close to Mud Lake, with the placards staying up for 14 days.

Rotenone is a botanical pesticide that has been used for years to rid water of trash fish like carp. The chemical will be injected under the ice and will take three days to complete.

The DNR said recreational access to the 51-acre Mud Lake will be prohibited while rotenone is being applied, and fish should not be consumed from Mud Lake once it's treated.

---

Bill Novak | Wisconsin State Journal

Bill Novak is a general assignment reporter for the Wisconsin State Journal.

## FROM THE WEB

Powered By ZergNet



The Sketchy Untold Truth of Jinger Duggar



Famous People Who May Never Have Existed in Real Life



The Untold Truth of Savannah Guthrie



Celebrities Who Were Murdered By Their Fans



The Double Life of Matt Lauer



Rebel Wilson's Interesting Path to Fame