

THANK YOU, JOHNSON LAKE

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission on August 15 had the pleasure and privilege to dedicate the angler access project at the Johnson Lake inlet. The project was dedicated in memory of Myron and Oliver Berggren. Nebraska Game and Parks greatly appreciates all involved who made this improvement a reality.

Together with help from partners and donors, the Commission was able to make a number of improvements to the inlet: two ADA accessible piers were refurbished, ADA accessible concrete walkways were created on the lower level of the canal for improved angler access, and several stairways were built with handrails for improved access to fishing walkways. The existing 180-foot breakwater near the boat ramp was widened and resurfaced. Fish habitat in the canal was improved to attract fish, including walleye, white bass and crappie.

This project has been a big success for the Johnson Lake community and people who use the area. We extend our appreciation to everyone who supported the project and the dedication: the Berggren family, Central Public Power and Irrigation District, Cook Construction, Johnson Lake Chamber of Commerce, Johnson Lake Community, Johnson Lake Development Incorporated, Johnson Lake Emergency Management Services, Johnson Lake Trails Planning Team, Lexington Community Foundation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and Nebraska Game and Parks staff from fisheries, parks, engineering and operations.

Johnson Lake is a great example of citizens, partners, donors and the Commission working together to create more opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Nebraska Game and Parks would especially like to thank Johnson Lake park superintendent Tim Boyle and the Johnson Lake staff for their tremendous work and dedication to make the lake and recreation area a great place for families to fish, camp, recreate and make memories. Tim Boyle's 43 years of dedication and commitment to Johnson Lake and helping others is an invaluable asset to the Commission and everyone who enjoys Johnson Lake. The Commission is proud of Tim and his staff's tireless efforts and service that help make Johnson Lake a premier outdoor recreation destination.

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