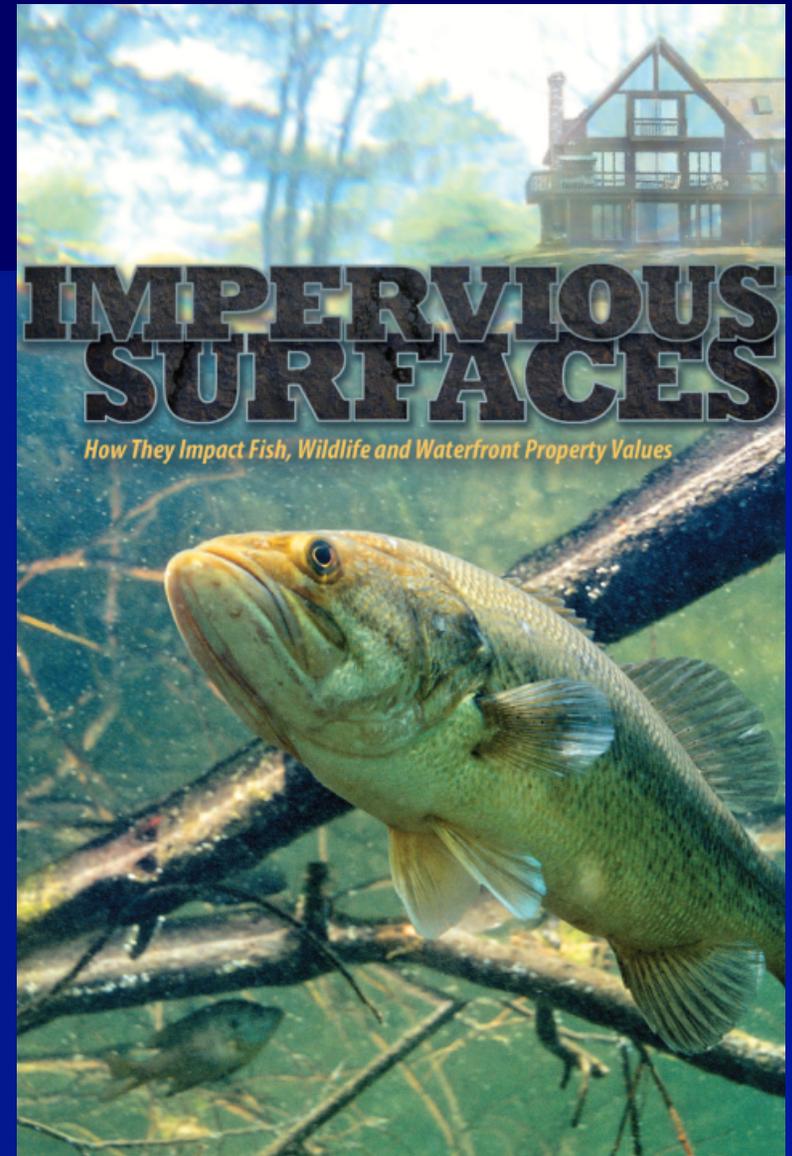
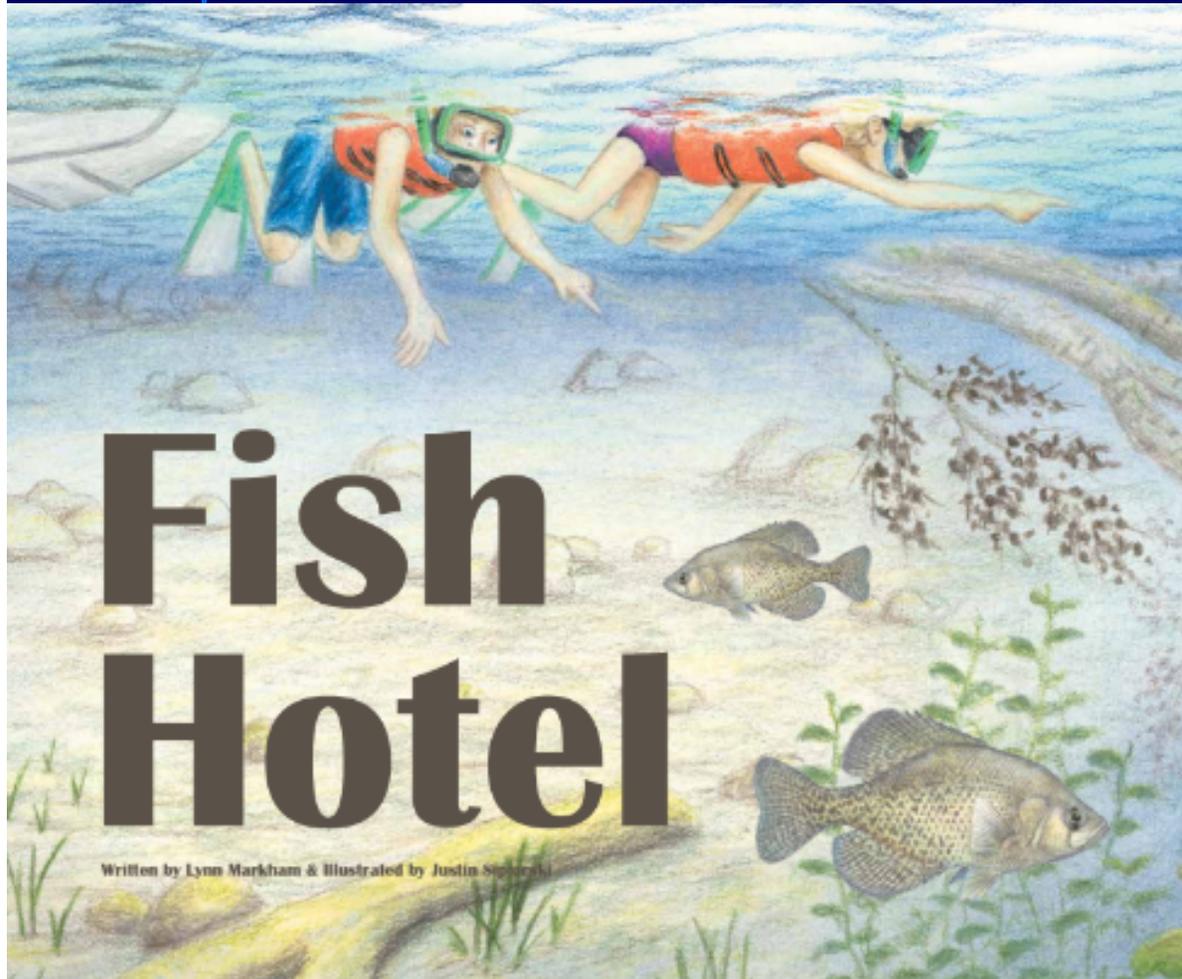


Fish Hotel kits

Reaching out to audiences of all ages



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How can we effectively protect lakes and rivers?

■ Audiences

- Lake orgs & waterfront property owners
- County board members
- Kids?
- Adults who read to kids?

Keeping Lakes in the Family Sharing the Magic Through Stories

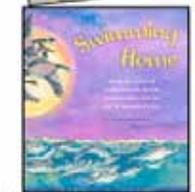
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This year's resource recommendations focus on some of the ways we enjoy being in, on and near the water – snorkeling, looking for loons and harvesting wild rice.



Fish Hotel Age 5 and up
Written by Lynn Markham
Illustrated by Justin Sipiorski

Tessa and her cousin Hugo grab their snorkeling gear for an underwater adventure and end up learning that trees in the water are helpful to fish. A friendly neighbor teaches them how downed trees are like a fish hotel, providing shelter, food and a place to lay their eggs. When the kids find out Uncle Henry is going to remove a downed poplar from the water, they make the case to keep it as a fish hotel. This story of cooperation and friendly neighbors captures the spirit of "up north" in Wisconsin and teaches us how leaving trees in the water is beneficial.



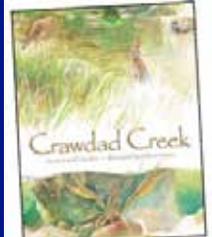
Swimming Home Age 5-8
Written by Susan Hand Shetterly
Illustrated by Rebekah Raye

The story follows a school of fish on a journey to return to their spawning grounds in Lilly Lake. While migrating, the school of fish evade an eagle and a heron, and they navigate a beaver dam before pulling up short where a road has been constructed over the stream; the culvert through which the stream now flows is too high for the fish to reach. Happily, the boy and his father spot them and are able to use buckets to lift the fish over the road and into Lilly Lake.



Pond Circle Age 4-8
Written by Betsy Franco
Illustrated by Stefano Vitale

On a summer night by a small pond, all eyes



Crawdad Creek Age 4-8
Written by Scott Russell Sanders
Illustrated by Robert Hynes

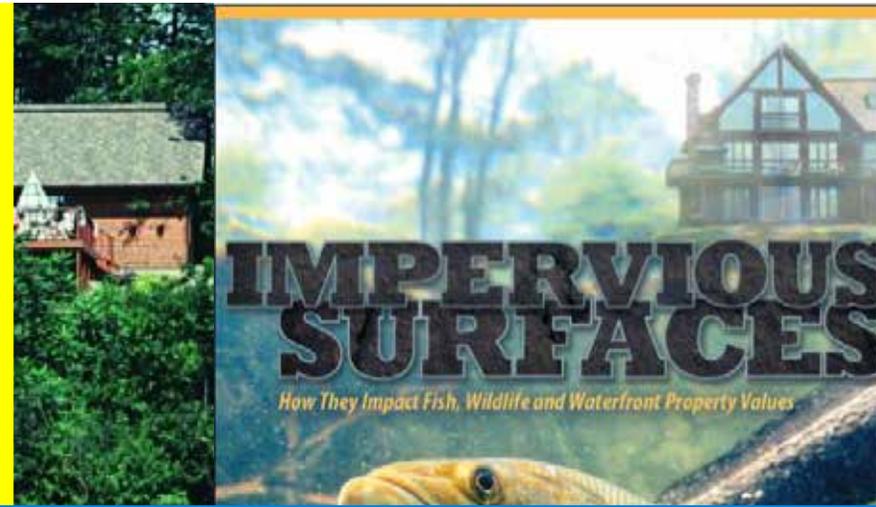
Crawdad Creek Age 4-8
Written by Scott Russell Sanders
Illustrated by Robert Hynes

There's always something happening at Crawdad Creek, just like along the shore of your lake. Come hunt for fossils, find an arrowhead in the mud or a crayfish under a stone. Watch whirligig beetles and water striders skate across the water teasing the fish below. Count the turtles sunning themselves on moss-covered logs. Follow tracks along the bank, then sit in quiet amazement as deer, raccoons and other animals visit the creek. There's a wild and beautiful world here waiting to be discovered.

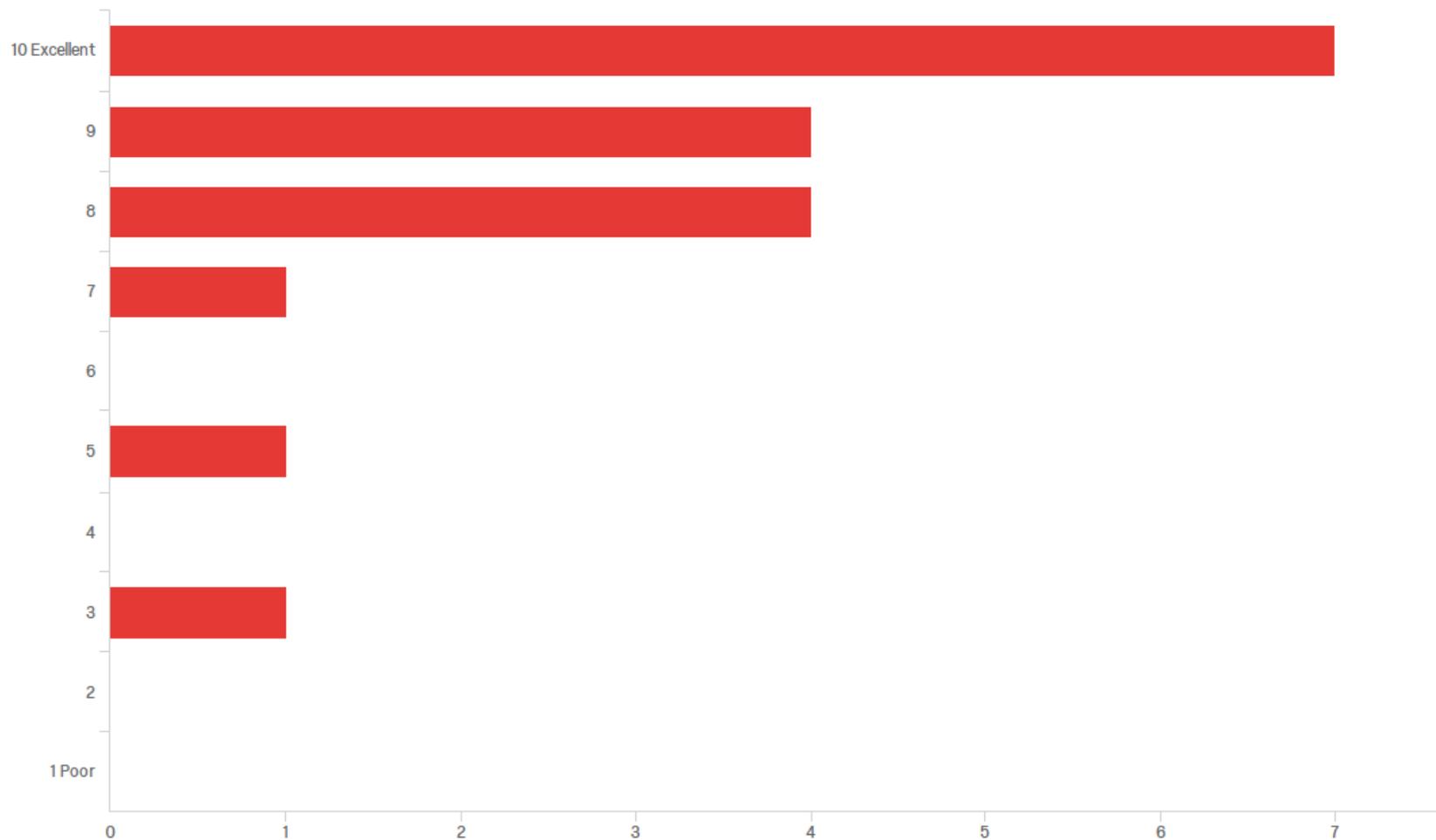
Half a Chance Age 8-12
Written by Cynthia Lord

Lucy and her parents have no sooner moved to their new lake home, than her professional-photographer father is off on a work trip for the summer. As he leaves, Lucy learns from him about a photo contest for kids and decides to spend the summer working on winning it. As the days and weeks pass, Lucy makes friends with Nate (the boy next door), learns to kayak, joins in the community's watch of nesting loons, and stays focused on taking photos that fulfill her father's advice to make sure the picture implies a story. When she learns that

This book is fun because the kids go on Loon Patrol every day to see how the loons are doing and find out if their eggs have hatched.
– Tessa, age 7



Q14 - Overall rating:



next to fish hotels to protect our eggs from nest predators."

"We like to hang out between branches of fallen trees away from predators."

Fish Hotel

Kids' book at <http://bit.ly/2cjsroh>

What can you do to help fish?

- Leave fallen trees and branches in the lake.
- Don't remove or cut trees and shrubs along the shoreline.
- Plant trees and shrubs along your shoreline. They will become future fish hotels!

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