

# Briggs Lake Chain Association (BLCA)

## Carp Management Study – Fall 2025

### Useful Links

- [Video link of electrofishing by Carp solutions](#) (Scroll to the bottom page)
- [Video Link of Box Netting](#) by Carp Solutions --Box Netting on Lake Julia

### Carp Fishing on the Briggs Chain of Lakes

Please respect the privacy of lakeshore residents when fishing for carp. Keep lights pointed toward the water.

If you catch a carp with a PIT tag, please email the BLCA board.

### Boat Electrofishing Summary

During late summer and early fall 2025, three electrofishing surveys were conducted across the Briggs Chain of Lakes. Each survey consisted of one transect per lake (nine total transects), each lasting approximately 20 minutes. A pulsed DC electric current stunned fish temporarily, allowing carp to be collected using dip nets. Collected carp were measured, had their left pelvic fin clipped, and were inserted with a Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) tag before release. Tagged carp will assist with future box net removal and spring migration tracking in 2026.

Date	Briggs	Julia	Rush	Total	Time (min)	CPUE	Pop. Estimate	Biomass (kg/ha)
8/27	2	2	3	7	60	6.9	10,412	152.7
9/3	0	7	6	13	61	12.8	18,414	250.7
9/23	0	19	0	19	66	17.3	24,576	381.1
Average				13	63	12.5	18,002	264.8

### Box Netting Summary – 9/17/2025

Lake	Captured	Tagged & Released	Removed
Briggs	101	49 New + 1 Existing	51
Julia	123	70	53
Rush	28	28	0
Total	252	148	104

## Box Netting Summary – 10/10/2025

Lake	Captured	Tagged & Released	Removed
Briggs	105	10 New + 8 Existing	87
Julia	20	0 New + 3 Existing	17
Rush	44	0 New + 4 Existing	40
Total	169	25	144

## Total PIT Tags per Lake – End of 2025

Method	Julia	Briggs	Rush
Electrofishing	28	2	9
Box Netting 9/17/25	70	49	28
Box Netting 10/10/25	0	10	0
Total	98	61	37

## Carp Aging (Preliminary – Briggs Only)

Age (Years)	Briggs (40 Sampled)
30–50	24 / 40
20–30	10 / 40
10–20	4 / 40
0–10	2 / 40

Full Carp Management Report – Fall 2025