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FROM: BUREAU OF FISH CONSERVATION
TO: GARTH I. MURPHY
SUBJECT: SPAWNING TIME OF LMB

In your monthly report for May you note that on May 7, 1949, at East Park Reservoir, Colusa County, you found that the bass hatch of the year had risen from the nests and was no longer guarded by the males. You then conclude that: "Since this lake is near the northern end of the range of black bass fishing, and since the spring has been cold, we have a good indication that over most of their range bass do not need protection after May 1, if at all".

I wish to call your attention to the fact that in his monthly report for May, Chester Woodhull notes that at Don Pedro Reservoir on May 1 "...the LMB were in the peak of spawning..." Also, that in his monthly report for May, Charles K. Fisher records the following observation for Millerton Lake: "The first largemouth bass in spawning condition were checked out on the 3rd".



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