

## BLUE EARTH COUNTY (7)

Number of lakes . . . . . 133  
 Lake area, acres. . . . . 19,319

Most of the lake basins in the county occupy shallow depressions in glacial till (ground moraine) deposited at the base of a glacial ice sheet of the Des Moines lobe which covered the region. A few of the basins such as the Loon, Mills, Crystal and Lilly chain, 7-96, 7-97, 7-98 and 7-101, originated from ice blocks buried in preglacial valleys.

About 80 percent of the lakes listed in the county are either drained or affected by artificial drainage systems. The county once may have contained many more shallow lakes but all traces of them have disappeared through drainage and sedimentation. The largest lakes entirely within the county are:

Ident. no.	Name	Area, acres
7-44	Madison	1,345
7-60	Eagle	1,183
7-86	Jackson	1,140
7-96	Loon	818

Lura, 7-79, a large lake of 1,263 acres total area, is mostly within Blue Earth County but extends also into Faribault County.

### Lakes classified by area

	Area in acres										Total
	10 to 25	25 to 50	50 to 75	75 to 100	100 to 125	125 to 150	150 to 200	200 to 500	500 to 1000	1000 to 2500	
Number listed. . . . .	19	27	24	11	12	11	4	18	3	4	133
Number affected by drainage or dry. . . . .	12	24	21	11	9	7	3	12	1	3	103

Ident. number	Name	Location			Area in Acres	Meandered	Remarks
		Range	Township	Section			
7-1		24,25	107	18,19;13,24	54 (88)	...	Also in Waseca County (81). Affected by ditch.
7-2		24,25	108	6;1	105 (114)	x	Also in Waseca County (81). Affected by C.D. 2. Originally meandered as part of Madison Lake.
7-3	Born. . . . .	24,25	108	30;25	105 (109)	...	Also in Waseca County (81).
7-4		24,25	109	31;36	94 (117)	x	Also in LeSueur County (40). Affected by C.D. 2. Originally meandered as part of Madison Lake.
7-5	Stakman Marsh . .	25	104,105	3,4;33,34	73 (100)	...	Also in Faribault County (22). Affected by ditch.
22-33	Minnesota . . . . .				42 (1,915)	x	See Faribault County (22).
7-6		25	105	1,2	12	...	Affected by C.D. 5.
7-7		25	105	4,9	132	...	Do.
7-8		25	105	4,9,10	97	...	Do.
7-9	Pick Marsh . . . . .	25	105	9,16	118	...	Do.

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7-10		25	105	NW 10	11	...	Do.
7-11		25	105	15,22	46	...	Do.
7-12		25	105	WC 16	13	...	Level affected by C.D. 5.
7-13		25	105	SC 23	56	...	Affected by ditch.
7-14		25	105	EC 33	16	...	Do.
7-15		25	105,106	1,2;35,36	230	...	Affected by C.D. 5.
7-16		25	105,106	3,4;27,28,33,34	381	...	Do.
7-17		25	106	7,18	26	...	Affected by ditch.
7-18		25	106	WC 8	42	...	Do.
7-19	Hobza Marsh	25	106	10,15,16	134	...	Do.
7-20	Severson	25	106	14,23	268	...	Do.
7-21		25	106	16,21	259	...	Do.
7-22		25	106	17-20	28	...	Do.
7-23		25	106	26,34,35	60	...	Affected by tile drain and C.D. 5.
7-24	Cottonwood	25	106	32,33	196	x	Dam at outlet.
7-25		25	107	WC 1	72	...	Affected by C.D. 83.
7-26		25	107	2	176	...	Do.
7-27		25	107	6	160	...	Affected by C.D. 55.
7-28		25	107	EC 10	33	...	Affected by C.D. 26.
7-29		25	107	18,19	55	...	Affected by C.D. 88.
7-30		25	107	34,35	85	...	Affected by C.D. 1.
7-31		25	107,108	3,4;33,34	212	...	Affected by C.D. 26.
7-32		25	108	1,12	37	...	1950 air photo shows most of bed exposed.
7-33	Mud	25	108	3,4	73	x	Affected by tile drain and J.D. 9.
7-34	Mud	25	108	10,15	108	x	
7-35		25	108	11,13,14	67	...	Affected by C.D. 2. Originally meandered as part of Madison Lake.
7-36		25	108	14,23	141	...	Affected by C.D. 2.
7-37		25	108	NC 18	34	...	Affected by ditch.
7-38		25	108	NW 19	77	...	Do.
7-39	Alice	25	108	25,26,36	281	x	Level affected by C.D. 2.
7-40		25	108	26,27	43	...	Affected by C.D. 17.
7-41		25	108	27,28	225	...	Affected by J.D. 22.
7-42		25	108	32,33	80	...	Affected by C.D. 26.
7-43	Indian	25	108	35,36	211	x	Level affected by C.D. 2.
7-44	Madison	25	108,109	1-3,10,11;34-36	1,345	x	Level affected by C.D. 2. Dam at outlet.
7-45	Gilfillin	25	108,109	4,5;32,33	210	x	Affected by C.D. 15.
7-46		25	109	13,14,23,24	85 (87)	...	Also in LeSueur County (40). Affected by J.D. 15.
40-117	Washington				6 (1,565)	x	See LeSueur County (40).
7-47	George	25	109	19,20	141	x	
7-48	Long	25	109	20,29	53	x	
7-49	Mud	25	109	21,22,27,28	115	x	1950 air photo shows most of bed exposed.
7-50		25	109	NC 22	45	...	Affected by ditch.
7-51		25	109	WC 23	68	...	Affected by J.D. 15.
7-52		25	109	25,36	29	...	Affected by ditch.
7-53	Duck	25	109	26,27	288	x	
7-54	Ballantyne	25	109	27,28,33	346	x	
7-55	Gilfillin	25	109	29,32	95	...	Affected by C.D. 15.
7-56	Albert	25	109	30,31	61	x	
7-57	Knights	25,26	105	7,18;12,13	139	x	
7-58	Perch	25,26	106	18,13	310	x	
7-59	Rice	25,26	107	19,30,31;25,36	508	x	Dam at outlet.
7-60	Eagle	25,26	108,109	6,7;31;1,12;35,36	1,183	x	Level affected by J.D. 34.
7-61		26	105	7,8,18,19	68	...	Affected by J.D. 45.
7-62		26	105	NE 13	36	...	Affected by C.D. 16.
7-63		26	106	SW 1	60	...	Affected by C.D. 86.

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7-64	.....	26	106	SC 2	31	...	Do.
7-65	Mud .....	26	106	2,3	131	...	Level affected by C.D. 86.
7-66	.....	26	106	NE 21	32	...	Affected by tile drains of C.D. 57.
7-67	.....	26	106	22	30	...	Do.
7-68	White Bear .....	26	107	N 1	131	...	Affected by C.D. 25.
7-69	.....	26	107	12,13	84	...	Affected by C.D. 88.
7-70	.....	26	107	25,36	72	...	Affected by C.D. 86.
7-71	.....	26	108	14,15	72	...	Affected by C.D. 12.
7-72	.....	26	108	20,28,29	45	...	1950 air photo shows bed exposed.
7-73	.....	26	108	22,23	59	...	Level affected by C.D. 43.
7-74	.....	26	108	23-26	27	...	Affected by C.D. 43.
7-75	.....	26	108	SW 35	39	...	Affected by C.D. 25.
7-76	Hodapp Marsh...	26	108,109	2,35	33	...	
7-77	Wita .....	26	109	24,25	463	x	Level affected by J.D. 1.
7-78	.....	26	109	27	51	...	1950 air photo shows bed exposed.
7-79	Lura .....	26,27	104,105	30,2,3;23-26;35,36	1,148 (1,263)	x	Also in Faribault County (22).
7-80	.....	27	105	29-31	354	...	Affected by J.D. 3.
7-81	.....	27	106	NC 23	17	...	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 20.
7-82	.....	27	106	SE 23	58	...	Do.
7-83	.....	27	106,107	4;33,34	119	...	Affected by J.D. 43.
7-84	Sibley Park Pool	27	108	14,23	56	...	Lake was formed by dam on Blue Earth River. Dam removed in 1951 and pool drained.
7-85	Indian .....	27	108	25,26,35,36	33	...	Affected by C.D. 71.
7-86	Jackson .....	27,28	105	18,19;13,24,25	1,140	x	Affected by J.D. 3 and 49.
7-87	Rapidan .....	27,28	107	7,8;12,13	328	...	Privately owned power reservoir.
7-88	.....	27,28	107	18,19;13	24	...	
7-89	Rush .....	27,28	108	30;25	139	x	Affected by tile and private ditch.
7-90	Ida .....	28	105	1,12	120	x	
7-91	.....	28	105	NC 6	15	...	
7-92	.....	28	106	C 10	17	...	Affected by C.D. 33 and 78.
7-93	.....	28	106	SC 11	70	...	Affected by C.D. 78.
7-94	.....	28	106	13,14	55	...	Do.
7-95	.....	28	106	SW 22	68	...	Do.
7-96	Loon .....	28	107	2-4,10,11	818	x	Originally meandered as part of Mills Lake.
7-97	Mills .....	28	107	11,12,13,14	237	x	Originally meandered to include Loon Lake.
7-98	Crystal .....	28	107,108	4,5;32,33	396	x	Dam at outlet.
7-99	McGibneys .....	28	108	21,28	50	...	Affected by C.D. 34.
7-100	Mennenga Marsh.	28	108	23,24	16	...	
7-101	Lily .....	28	108	31,32	142	x	Dam at outlet.
7-102	.....	28	108	35	15	...	Affected by tile drains of C.D. 65.
7-103	.....	28	108	35,36	33	...	Do.
7-104	McGibneys .....	28	109	NW 32	18	...	
7-105	Kilby .....	28,29	108	7;12	44	...	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 29.
7-106	.....	29	106	4,5	19	...	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 15.

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7-107		29	106	8,17	84	...	Affected by tile drains.
7-108		29	106	SE 17	17	...	Affected by ditch.
7-109		29	106	SE 23	15	...	Affected by tile drains of C.D. 51.
7-110		29	106	SW 25	24	...	
7-111		29	106	N 32,33	29	...	Affected by tile drains and C.D. 74.
7-112		29	106	S 32,33	16	...	Do.
7-113		29	106	35,36	24	...	Affected by tile drains of C.D. 41.
7-114		29	106	36	116	...	Do.
7-115		29	107	7,18	146	...	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 7.
7-116		29	107	10,15	89	...	Affected by tile drains of C.D. 50.
7-117	Keech	29	107	29,32	55	...	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 15.
7-118		29	107	32,33	39	...	Do.
7-119	Goose	29	107,108	1,36	120	...	Affected by C.D. 50.
7-120		29	107,108	4,33	31	...	Do.
7-121	Solberg	29	108	4-6,8,9	617	x	Affected by tile drains of J.D. 36.
7-122	Dackins	29	108	11,14	178	x	Affected by J.D. 48.
7-123		29	108	15	121	...	Do.
7-124	Lieberg	29	108	15,16,21	71	x	
7-125	Armstrong	29	108	17,18,19,20	125	x	
7-126	Strom	29	108	19,30	254	x	Affected by J.D. 48.
7-127		29	108	19,30	29	...	
7-128		29	108	NC 20	20	...	
7-129		29	108	SW 22	43	...	Affected by J.D. 48.
7-130		29	108	29,32,33	75	...	Do.
7-131	Thomas	29	108,109	6,31	99	...	
7-132	Harris	29	109	22	18	...	
83-1	Low				11 (190)	x	See Watonwan County (83).
7-133	Searn	29,30	107	6,7;1,12	45 (58)	...	Also in Watonwan County (83). Affected by J.D. 7.

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