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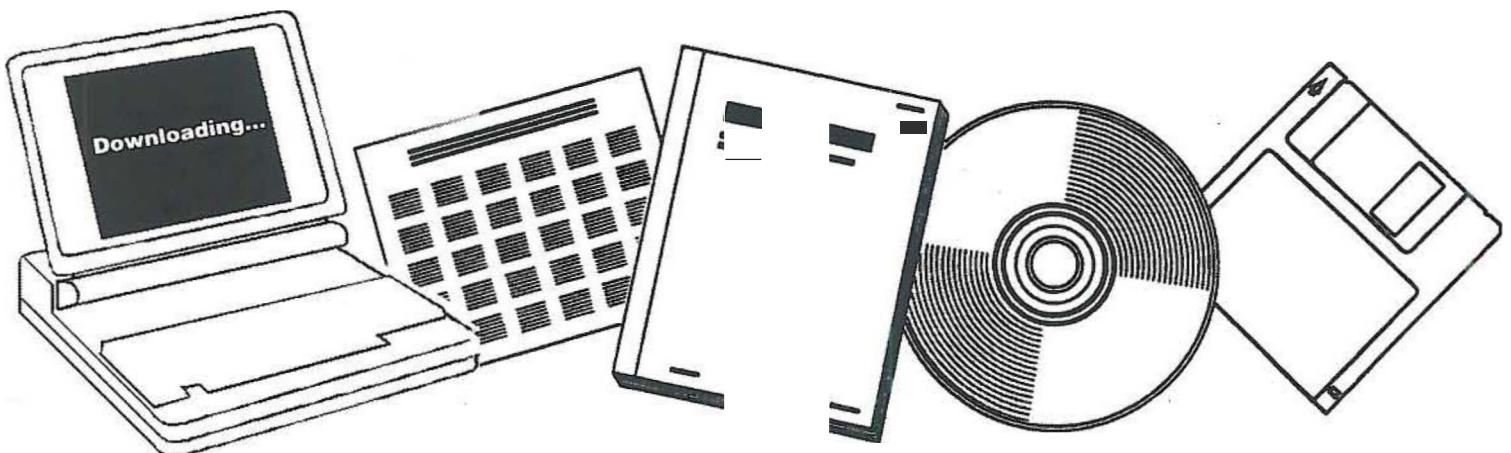


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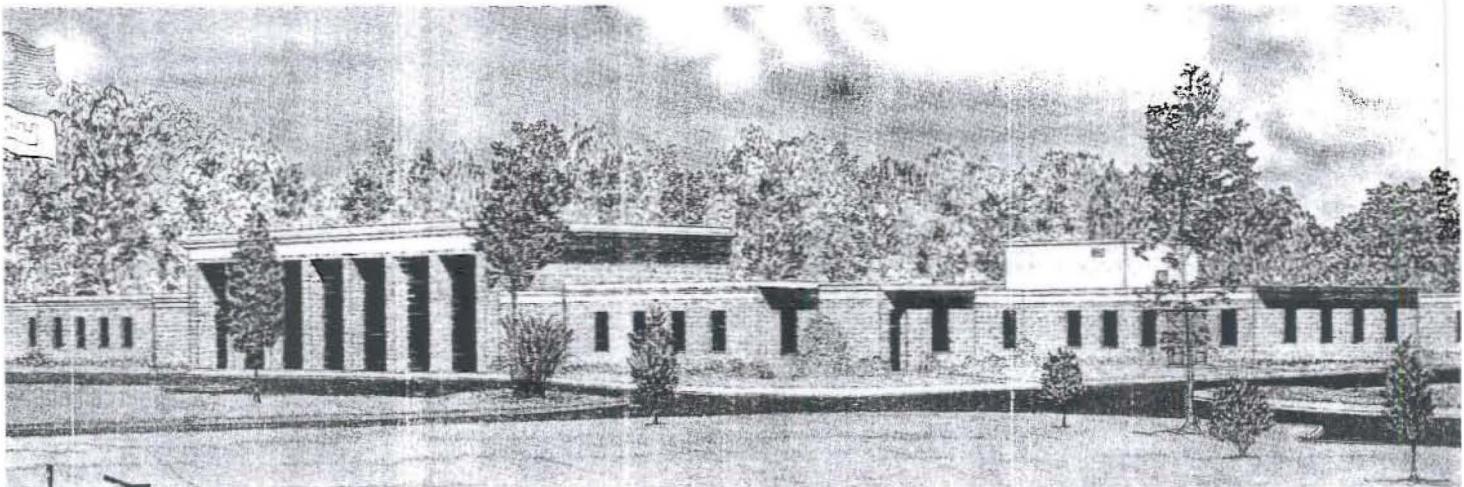
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cont. Known physical, chemical, and fishery conditions in 187 Corps of Engineers (CE) impoundments larger than 500 acres are described. Multivariable equations are presented that allow estimation of standing crop and sport fish harvest in CE reservoirs.

The development of fishery compartments and population rate coefficient is described. Five fish compartments and their corresponding food compartments were developed to describe the feeding of reservoir fish populations. The fish compartments are piscivores, planktivores, benthos feeders, detritivores, and fish that feed on terrestrial food sources. The five food compartments corresponding to these fish compartments are, respectively, prey fishes, zooplankton, benthos, organic, detritus, and terrestrial organisms. Fish biomass is proportioned among these compartments on a regional basis.

The relations among fishery compartments and to other fish population parameters were investigated. Where applicable, regional rate coefficients were developed for fish production, reproduction, recruitment, growth, mortality, and sport and commercial harvest.

Data were also reviewed and summarized on the ecological growth and assimilation efficiencies of fish, food consumption rates, respiration rates, temperature tolerances, half-saturation constants for growth, and chemical composition. Text and appendices detail the results of these various studies.



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PREFACE

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U.S. customary units of measurement used in this paper can be converted to metric (5r) units as follows:

Multiply	By	To Obtain
inches	25.4	millimeters
feet	0.3048	meters
miles	1.609344	kilometers
square miles	2.58999	square kilometers
acres	0.40468	hectares
acres	0.0040468	square kilometers
acre-feet	1.234	megalitres*
pounds	453.5923	grams
pounds per acre	1.120851	kilograms per hectare

* 1 megalitre - 106 litres = 1000 cubic meters.