

Lake Fish Forecast January 17, 2013

Our Team at Riverside Foods is wishing you had a great Holiday! The days are getting longer and lent is coming up. Below are some of my market findings.

Yellow Lake Perch

Prices continue to fall on perch. Frozen stocks from 2012 spring and fall seasons are plentiful. This will be the item for the end user to put profit back on their menu. Readily available in frozen. Supplies will be limited of fresh perch with winter season. Expect to pay more for the fresh product due to winter fishing expenses.

Walleye

Walleye prices are holding strong on 2/4, 4/6, 6/8. 8/10 & 10/12 are starting to soften. 12/14 & large sizes are dropping.

Canadian Pike/ Sauger

Sauger is holding with limited availability. With previous flooding on Lake Manitoba, roadways were destroyed. This is not allowing access to this fishing area where most of the sauger was harvested. We are hoping for rebuilding of their infrastructure

Bluegill/Sunfish

We have product of China readily available. This is down in price from previous years. The Canadian product is still holding strong and quantities are touch and go.

European Product

Euro perch 20/40 & 40/60 have dropped some and supplies are good. 20/40 gram Zander is still limited. The 40/60 gram, 2/4 ounce, and 4/6 ounce sizes are down slightly in price and supplies are good. 6/8 & 8/10 are steady and good supplies

Northern Pike

Freshwater Fish Marketing Corporation has 11# 4-6 ounce skinless, boneless portions of this Canadian caught China processed product. This is a less expensive lake fish fin fish for the menu!

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