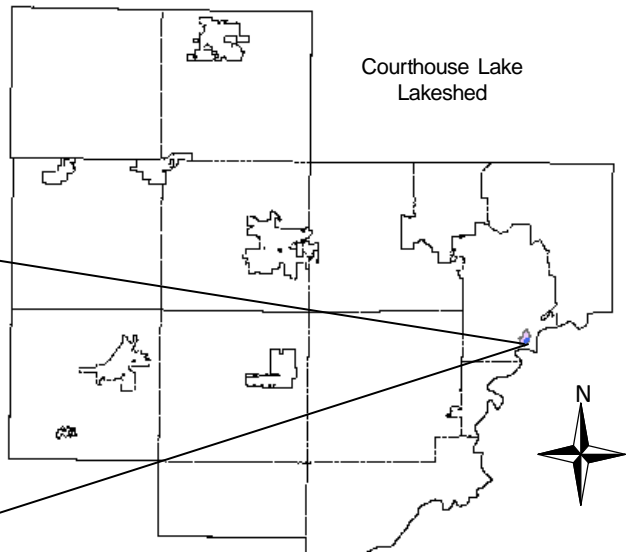
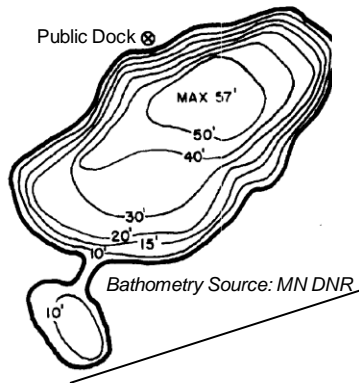


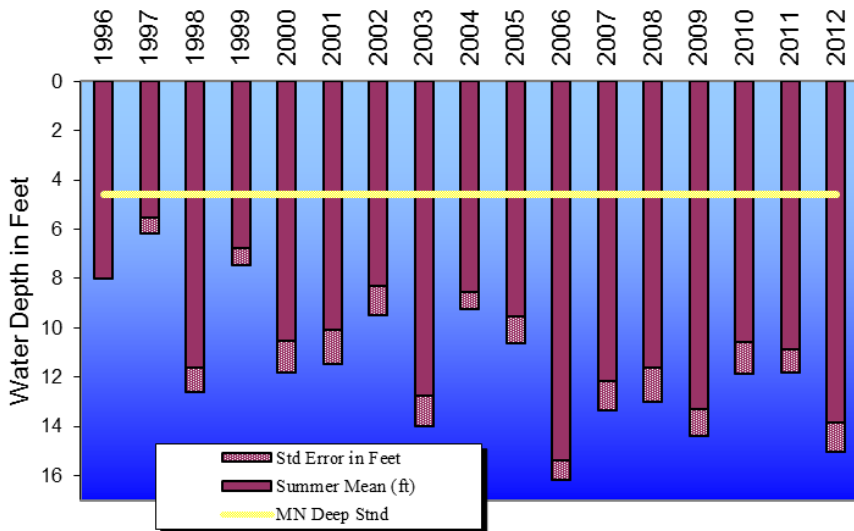
# Courthouse Lake

Lake Area (acres): 11.95  
 Lakeshed Area (acres): 100  
 Maximum Depth (ft): 57  
 Mean Depth (ft): 25 (estimated)  
 Littoral Area (acres): 3  
 Percent Littoral: 10%



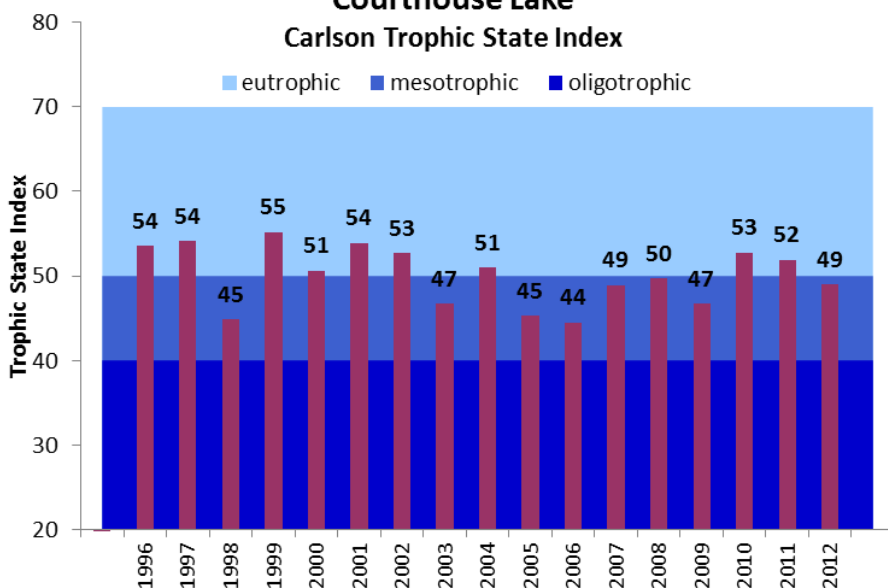
\*Note: Littoral area is defined as the portion of lake less than 15 ft and dominated by aquatic vegetation.

## Summer Mean Secchi Depth (Water Clarity)



- Courthouse Lake is a designated trout lake.
- The lakeshed area to lakeshed ratio is 8:1, which means the lakeshed can contribute a moderate amount of nutrients to the lake.
- Swimming and the use of boats are prohibited in Courthouse Lake.
- The major land use within the watershed is natural (62%).
- The water clarity, measured with the Secchi disk, is well above the state standard for deep lakes and increased from 2011.
- In 1994 a total reclamation of the lake took place. Since then, significant numbers (approximately 3000) of trout are stocked in Courthouse Lake each year.
- The aerator installed in 2009 to help with low dissolved oxygen was turned on again. The aerator does not have a negative impact on water quality.
- There is no fish consumption information available for this lake.

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**NOTE:** The 2012 Carver County Water quality report can be accessed through the County's website: <http://www.co.carver.mn.us/departments/LWS/wqmp.asp>

## Land Use within the Lakeshed

