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(Burroughs Park Lake, Tomball, TX)—In the midst of drought conditions in the region, Harris County Precinct 4 Parks staff has found a way to breathe new life into a lake popular with families and local anglers in North Harris County.

Commissioner R. Jack Cagle took part in the process of restocking the Lake at Burroughs Park near Tomball on Thursday. Drought conditions that had nearly dried the lake completely also provided an opportunity to dredge, re-plant and revitalize the lake.

“We work closely with Texas Parks & Wildlife to maintain and manage this and all of our lakes. We treat each lake as a unique eco-system by making the most of the conditions presented to us and adjusting to those conditions to provide the best possible fishing environment,” according to Cagle.

Prior to recent rains which have refilled the Lake at Burroughs Park the levels dropped to the point that staff has been able to substantially clean and prepare the bed for the best possible combination of natural grasses, cypress trees and now – new colonies of fish.

The county has brought in catfish and bass along with 1,500 blue gills which serve as food fish for the catfish and bass.

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“It will take time for these fish to establish themselves and grow and, we ask that anglers catch and release the bass in our lakes. This helps us offer a great recreational fishing experience for residents around our parks in Precinct 4,” Cagle said.

Burroughs Park, located at 9738 Hufsmith is adjacent to Spring Creek in the Tomball area. It is a 320-acre facility that includes sports fields, a seven-acre fishing lake, five playgrounds, over eight miles of nature trails, picnic areas, an observation deck and boardwalk, rest room facilities, and an award-winning barbecue pavilion that seats over 250 people.

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