

## NEW MEXICO FISHING REPORT

This fishing report, provided by Bill Dunn and the Department of Game and Fish, has been generated from the best information available from area officers and anglers. Conditions encountered after the report is compiled may differ, as stream, lake and weather conditions alter fish and angler activities.

### CATCHES OF THE WEEK:

**Tingley Beach:** On January 1, James Martinez age 6 of Belen, caught a 13-inch rainbow trout. He was using a marshmallow.

If you have a catch of the week story or just want to tell us about your latest New Mexico fishing experience, send it to us at [fishforfun2@hotmail.com](mailto:fishforfun2@hotmail.com). We may include your story in our next report.

For catches of the week, include name, date, and location, type of fish, length and weight if possible and bait, lure or fly used.

### January 6, 2015

#### Northeast

**Charette Lakes:** Closed for the season.

**Cimarron River:** Stream flow near Cimarron on Monday was 66 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Clayton Lake:** Closed for the season.

**Conchas Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Coyote Creek:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Eagle Rock Lake:** Closed through next fall. The closure will allow Chevron Mining to dredge the lake and reconstruct the area.

**Eagle Nest Lake:** As of January 3, the lake was opened to ice fishing but to foot traffic only. Fishing was good using small ice jigs, Power Bait and wax worms for perch. A few trout were caught by anglers using ice jigs and Power Bait. Fishing for all other species was slow. For updated ice conditions contact the State Park office at (575) 377-1594.

**Gallinas River:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Hopewell Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Lake Alice:** Ice fishing was good using Power Bait and homemade dough bait for trout up to 14 inches. Ice conditions can change with the weather. Contact the State Park office at (575) 445-5607 for updated conditions.

**Lake Maloya:** Ice thickness as of this past Saturday was 7 inches and the lake opened to ice fishing. Trout fishing was good using Power Bait and homemade dough bait. Contact the State Park office at (575) 445-5607 for ice updates.

**Los Pinos:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Manzano Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Maxwell Lake 13:** Closed for the season.

**Monastery Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Morphy Lake:** Closed for the season.  
**Mt View Ponds:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Pecos River:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Red River:** Water flow near the hatchery on Monday was 24 cfs. Trout fishing was fair using egg patterns and salmon eggs.  
**Rio Costilla:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Rio Grande:** Fishing was slow for all species.  
**Rio Hondo:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Rio Pueblo:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Santa Barbara:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Shuree Ponds:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Springer Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Storrie Lake:** There is a layer of ice covering the lake and it is closed to fishing. For updated conditions, contact the State Park office at (505) 425-7278.  
**Stubblefield Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Ute Lake:** There was very little traffic on the lake this past week and we had no reports from anglers.

## **Northwest**

**Abiquiu Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Animas River:** Water flow near Aztec on Monday morning was 189 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Albuquerque Area Drains:** Fishing on the Albuquerque Drain was fair using small spinners and salmon eggs for trout. Frank Dolan was fishing in the Alameda area and caught a nice 16-inch rainbow while using a rainbow Blue Fox spinner. The previous week he caught and released five stocker size rainbows while fishing near Paseo Del Norte. We had no reports on other species or from other drains.  
**Bluewater Lake:** As of Sunday there was a 6-inch layer of ice on the lake with a few anglers out but we had no reports on their fishing success or failure. For updated ice conditions contact the State Park office at (505) 876-2391. **Anglers should be aware that it is illegal to use bait fish at this lake.**  
**Brazos River:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Canjilon Lakes:** We had no reports from anglers this week.  
**Chama River:** Monday morning water flows below El Vado and Abiquiu were 104 cfs and 77 cfs respectively. We had no reports from below El Vado. Fishing below Abiquiu was fair using wooly buggers, copper John Barrs, small midge patterns and salmon eggs.  
**Cochiti Lake:** The shoreline has been a combination of ice and slush the past several days. Anglers may want to wait until late morning to early afternoon hours to attempt fishing from the bank or from boats. For updated ice conditions, contact the Corps office at (505) 465-0307.  
**El Vado Lake:** As of Monday the lake was covered with unsafe ice. Contact the State Park office at (575) 588-7247 for updated conditions.

**Fenton Lake:** A layer of ice has formed on the lake and it is closed to ice fishing. Put this one back on your list for great fishing early next spring.

**Heron Lake:** Anglers can hike to open water to fish from the bank in the Brushy Point area but a good portion of the lake is covered with ice that is considered unsafe for fishing. For updated conditions, contact the State Park office at (575) 588-7470.

**Jackson Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Jemez Waters:** Stream flow on the Jemez as of Monday was 29 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Laguna Del Campo:** Closed for the season.

**Lake Farmington:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Navajo Lake:** Fishing pressure was light and fishing continued to be slow for all species.

**San Gregorio:** We had no reports from anglers.

**San Juan:** Water flow below Navajo on Monday was 353 cfs. Trout fishing through the Quality Waters was good using streamers, small bead head pheasant tails, red larva and crystal flash. Fishing through the bait waters was good using Gulp eggs, salmon eggs, San Juan worms, copper John Barrs and streamers.

**Seven Springs Brood Pond:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Tingley Beach:** Fishing at the Central Pond was good to excellent for anglers using salmon eggs, Gulp eggs, egg pattern flies and Power Bait. Fishing at the Youth Pond was fair using salmon eggs and marshmallows. Fishing at the Bob Gerding Catch and Release Pond was fair to good using San Juan worms, egg patterns and streamers. There was some ice on the ponds on Sunday but plenty of open water for fishing.

**Trout Lakes:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

## **Southwest**

**Alumni Pond:** Trout fishing was good using wooly buggers and Pistol Petes.

**Bear Canyon:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Bill Evans Lake:** Trout fishing was fair using garlic cheese, Power Bait and salmon eggs. We had no reports on other species.

**Caballo Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species.

**Elephant Butte Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species but there were a few white bass caught by anglers using slab spoons in 25 feet of water. Fishing pressure was light.

**Escondida Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Gila River:** Water flow on the Gila as of this past Monday was 80 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Glenwood Pond:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Lake Roberts:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Percha Dam:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Quemado Lake:** There is a thin layer of ice covering most of the lake and it was deemed unsafe for fishing as of Monday.

**Rio Grande:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Snow Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Young Pond:** Trout fishing was very good using rainbow and chartreuse Power Bait and Velveeta cheese. We had no reports on other species.

## **Southeast**

**Bataan Lake:** Before the bad weather hit anglers reported fishing as slow for all species.

**Black River:** Stream flow at Malaga on Monday was 18 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Blue Hole Park Pond:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Bonito Lake:** Closed.

**Bosque Redondo:** Fishing was fair to good using salmon eggs and dough bait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Bottomless Lakes:** Fishing at Pasture Lake and Devil's Inkwell was good using chartreuse and rainbow Power Bait and Pistol Petes for trout.

**Brantley Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week. Anglers are to practice catch-and-release for all fish here as high levels of DDT were found in several fish.

**Carlsbad Municipal Lake:** Early last week fishing was good using Mepps and Blue Fox spinners and chartreuse and rainbow Power Bait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Chaparral Park Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**El Rito Creek:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Eunice Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Green Meadow Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Greene Acres Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Grindstone Reservoir:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Jal Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Lake Van:** Prior to the big snow storm, fishing was good using Power Bait, salmon eggs, spinners and Pistol Petes under a bubble for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Oasis Park Lake:** The park area received about 10 inches of snow, there was still ice on the lake and we had no reports from anglers this week. For updated information contact the State Park office at (575) 356-5331.

**Perch Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Pecos River:** Stream flow below Sumner on Monday was 18 cfs. Fishing below Sumner was slow to fair using Power Bait and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Ruidoso River:** Stream flow at Hollywood on Monday was 13 cfs. We had no reports from anglers.

**Santa Rosa Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Sumner Lake:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

Crews stocked 33,960 triploid rainbow trout in the following waters: ABIQUIU RESERVOIR, ALUMNI POND, BILL EVANS LAKE, BOTTOMLESS LAKES, GLENWOOD POND, LAKE VAN, RIO GRANDE (Elephant Butte to Caballo), ROSWELL KIDS POND and YOUNG POND.