

## 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 February 26, Mya Montoya age 5 of Albuquerque caught and released six rainbow trout within one hour. She was fishing the Youth Pond and using salmon eggs.

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.

### March 3, 2015

#### Northeast

**Charette Lakes:** Opened for the season March 1<sup>st</sup> but we had no reports from anglers.

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

**Clayton Lake:** A few anglers braved the elements on opening day but we received no reports.

**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:** Closed to fishing due to thin ice conditions. For updated 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:** A thin layer of ice has once again covered the lake and it is closed to fishing. Contact the State Park office at (575) 445-5607 for updated ice conditions.

**Lake Maloya:** Ice thickness as of Sunday was about 11.5 inches with some slush around the edges of the lake. Trout fishing was good using Power Bait and corn. We had no reports on perch. Contact the State Park office at (575) 445-5607 for updated ice conditions.

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

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

**Maxwell Lake 13:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Monastery Lake:** Trout fishing was good using Power Bait, salmon eggs and Gulp eggs.

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

**Mt View Ponds:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Pecos River:** Stream flow near Anton Chico on Monday was 36 cfs. Trout fishing in the Villanueva area was fair to good using salmon eggs and small copper John Barrs.

**Red River:** Water flow near the hatchery on Monday was 39 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Red River City Ponds:** Open for the season March 1.

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

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow on Monday morning at the Taos Junction Bridge was 663 cfs. Fishing was slow for all species. Anglers using large streamers for pike reported a few follows but no strikes.

**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.

**Santa Cruz Reservoir:** This water remains closed to boating and fishing while the Bureau of Land Management renovates the north lake camp ground, boat launch, picnic area and main access road. The plan is to have all work completed by the end of July. The only fishing access at this time is walk-in from the overlook area. We will provide progress updates as we receive them.

**Shuree Ponds:** Closed for the season.

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

**Storrie Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using salmon eggs and Power Bait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

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

## **Northwest**

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

**Animas River:** Water flow near Aztec on Monday morning was 259 cfs. Fishing was fair to good using Gulp eggs and salmon eggs for trout.

**Albuquerque Area Drains:** Fishing on the Albuquerque Drain was good using salmon eggs, homemade dough bait and egg pattern flies for trout. We had no reports on other species or from the other drains.

**Bluewater Lake:** Fishing pressure was very light. We had no reports from anglers. **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 53 cfs and 45 cfs respectively. We had no reports this week from either location.

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

**El Vado Lake:** Closed to fishing due to thin ice conditions. Contact the State Park office at (575) 588-7247 for updated ice conditions.

**Fenton Lake:** As of this past Monday, there was still a layer of ice on the lake. For updated conditions contact the State Park office at (575) 829-3630.

**Heron Lake:** Closed to fishing due to thin ice conditions. For updated ice conditions, contact the State Park office at (575) 588-7470.

**Jackson Lake:** Trout fishing was fair using salmon eggs and Power Bait. We had no reports on other species.

**Jemez Waters:** Stream flow near Jemez on Monday morning was 46 cfs. Fishing on the lower Jemez was slow. We had no reports on other area waters.

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

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

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

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

**San Juan:** Water flow below Navajo Lake on Monday morning was 357 cfs. Trout fishing through the Quality Waters was good using olive and black wooly buggers, small bead head pheasant tails, San Juan worms, red larva, leech patterns, princess nymphs and egg patterns. Fishing through the bait waters was good using Gulp eggs, salmon eggs, Power Bait and wooly buggers.

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

**Tingley Beach:** Fishing at the Central Pond was very good using Power Bait, salmon eggs, Super Dupers, Berkley power worms, small Kastmasters and Pistol Petes. Fishing at the Youth Pond was very good using salmon eggs, Power Bait and marshmallows. Fishing at the Bob Gerding Catch and Release Pond was fair to good using egg patterns, leeches and pheasant tails.

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

## **Southwest**

**Alumni Pond:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs, homemade dough bait and Power Bait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Bill Evans Lake:** Fishing was very good using salmon eggs, homemade dough bait, garlic scented Power Bait and Kastmasters for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Elephant Butte Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using jig and grub combinations in the Rock Canyon area for white bass and crappie. A few walleye were caught by anglers fishing near the Butte. We had no reports on other species. The water level was on the rise and fishing pressure was light.

**Escondida Lake:** Fishing was good using homemade dough bait, corn and salmon egg combinations, Pistol Petes and Power Bait for trout. A few trout were also caught by anglers using wooly buggers.

**Gila River:** Water flow on the Gila as of this past Monday was 207 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Lake Roberts:** Construction update: Modifications to the dam and spillway have been completed. Now awaiting approval for the engineers specifications to fix the outlet pipe. Will provide additional updates as they become available.

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

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

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow below Elephant Butte on Monday morning was .57 cfs. 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 for anglers using Power Bait, homemade dough bait and salmon eggs. We had no reports on other species.

## **Southeast**

**Bataan Lake:** Trout fishing was fair using salmon eggs, Power Bait and homemade dough bait. We had no reports on other species.

**Black River:** Stream flow at Malaga on Monday was 17 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 Power Bait, salmon eggs and Pistol Petes for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Bottomless Lakes:** Trout fishing was fair to good using corn and Power Bait. Fishing pressure was light.

**Brantley Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species and fishing pressure was very light. Anglers are to practice catch-and-release for all fish here as high levels of DDT were found in several fish.

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

**Chaparral Park Lake:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs and Power Bait for trout.

**El Rito Creek:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs, Power Bait, Pistol Petes and homemade dough bait for trout.

**Eunice Lake:** Trout fishing was good using salmon eggs, corn and Power Bait.

**Green Meadow Lake:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs and homemade dough bait for trout.

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

**Grindstone Reservoir:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs and chartreuse Power Bait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

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

**Oasis Park Lake:** Fishing pressure was very light due to inclement weather. We had no reports from anglers.

**Pecos River:** Stream flow below Sumner on Monday was 11 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Perch Lake:** Fishing was good using Super Dupers, power worms, Power Bait and salmon eggs for trout.

**Ruidoso River:** Stream flow at Hollywood on Monday was 30 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

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

Crews stocked 14,705 triploid rainbow trout in the following waters:

ALBUQUERQUE DRAIN, ALBUQUERQUE DRAIN (South), ALUMNI POND, ANIMAS RIVER, BELEN RIVERSIDE DRAIN, BILL EVANS LAKE, BLUE HOLE PARK POND, BOSQUE REDONDO, CARRIZOZO RECREATION LAKE, CHAPARRAL PARK LAKE, CONSERVANCY PARK LAKE (aka Tingley Beach), CORONA POND, CORRALES RIVERSIDE DRAIN, DENIS CHAVES POND, EL RITO CREEK (Near Santa Rosa), EUNICE LAKE, GLENWOOD POND, GREEN MEADOW LAKE, GREENE ACRES LAKE, GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR, HARRY MCADAMS PARK POND, JACKSON LAKE, JAL LAKE, NED HOUK PARK PONDS, OASIS PARK LAKE, PECOS RIVER (Lake Sumner to Roswell), PERALTA DRAIN, PERCH LAKE (Guadalupe County), RUIDOSO RIVER, TIGER PARK POND (Aztec) and YOUNG POND.