

## 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:

**Navajo Lake:** Dalton King of Aztec, caught and released a 36-inch northern pike and several other smaller pike Nov. 9. He was using a swim bait.

**Sumner Lake:** Robert Blackburn, 7, and his dad George of Artesia, caught a 3.8-pound largemouth bass and a 3-pound largemouth bass Nov. 6. They were using craws.

**Tingley Beach:** Chris Griego of Albuquerque, caught and released a 23-inch rainbow trout and two 20-inch rainbow trout Nov. 9. He was fishing the Bob Gerding Catch and Release Pond and using a flash back olive hares ear.

The following came in late but we felt it was definitely worth mentioning:

**Conchas Lake:** Taylor Streit of Taos, caught and released a 3-pound smallmouth bass Nov. 2. He was using a crappie jig on 7x fluorocarbon line.

**Rio Grande:** Pete McDaniel caught and released a 24-inch northern pike Nov. 1. He was using a streamer. Hunter Doerwald of Santa Fe, caught and released a 38-inch northern pike Nov.2. He was fly fishing and using a large chartreuse streamer.

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, age, hometown, date, and location, type of fish, length and weight if possible and bait, lure or fly used.

**November 10, 2015**

### Northeast

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

**Cimarron River:** Stream flow on Monday below Eagle Nest was 22 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Conchas Lake:** Fishing was good using tubes, craws, creature baits and drop shot rigs for largemouth bass and smallmouth bass. Fishing was slow to fair

using crank baits, slab spoons and blade baits for white bass. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp was in the low 60s.

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

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

**Eagle Rock Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using salmon eggs and PowerBait for trout.

**Eagle Nest Lake:** Trout fishing was fair to good using pink and salmon peach PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms. Fishing was fair using worms for perch.

There was no snagging action reported but a few kokanee were seen porpoising about 100 yards off shore. We had no reports on northern pike.

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

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

**Lake Alice:** Fishing was slow to fair using PowerBait for trout.

**Lake Maloya:** Fishing was fair to good using spoons, spinners and PowerBait for trout.

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

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

**Monastery Lake:** Fishing was good using PowerBait, salmon eggs, Pistol Petes and marshmallows for trout.

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

**Pecos River:** Stream flow on Monday was 48 cfs. Trout fishing was fair using egg patterns, salmon eggs, PowerBait and worms. We had no reports on catfish. The fall fishing season on the Pecos National Historical Park waters closes Nov. 16.

**Red River:** Stream flow below the hatchery on Monday was 48 cfs. Fishing was fair using San Juan worms, copper John Barrs, PowerBait, red worms and salmon eggs for trout.

**Rio Costilla:** Stream flow on Monday near Costilla was 8.5 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow on Monday at the Taos Junction Bridge was 610 cfs. The increased flows slowed fishing for all species this past week.

**Rio Hondo:** Stream flow on Monday was 11 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Rio Pueblo:** Stream flow near Penasco was 13 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Santa Cruz Reservoir:** Fishing was fair using small PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

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

**Storrie Lake:** Fishing was good using salmon peach PowerBait and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Ute Lake:** Windy weather and muddy water made for tough fishing conditions this past week. Fishing was slow and fishing pressure was light. The surface water temp was right at 60 degrees.

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

## **Northwest**

**Abiquiu Lake:** Kokanee snagging opened October 1 and runs through December 31. There have been no signs of kokanee for snagging. Fishing was good using senkos and tubes for smallmouth bass. The best action again this past week was in the mid-morning hours. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp was in the low 60s.

**Animas River:** Water flow near Aztec on Monday morning was 391 cfs. Trout fishing was fair for anglers using worms, egg patterns and copper John Barrs.

**Albuquerque Area Drains:** Fishing was fair to good using worms and PowerBait for trout. Anglers reported good success in the Albuquerque Drain and in the Corrales Drain. We had no reports on other species or from the other drains.

**Bluewater Lake:** Fishing was very good using PowerBait, worms, Pistol Petes under a bubble and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Canjilon Lakes:** **Closed by the U.S. Forest Service until further notice due to danger from fallen trees.**

**Chama River:** Kokanee snagging opened October 1 and runs through Dec. 31 on that section of river from El Vado Lake to the west boundary of the Chama River Wildlife and Fishing Area. We had no reports of successful kokanee snagging this week. Monday morning water flows below El Vado and Abiquiu were 198 cfs and 249 cfs respectively. Fishing below El Vado was fair to good using egg patterns, salmon eggs, PowerBait and night crawlers for brown and rainbow trout. We had no reports from below Abiquiu.

**Cochiti Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using creature baits and jigs for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. White bass fishing was slow but a few were caught by anglers trolling crank baits. We had no reports on other species. The surface temp was in the low 60s.

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

**Fenton Lake:** Fishing was good during the past week but slowed over the weekend. Anglers doing best were using salmon peach PowerBait and red worms for brown and rainbow trout.

**Heron Lake:** Closed to kokanee snagging here and at Willow Creek through Nov. 12. Opens for snagging Nov. 13 through Dec. 31. No kokanee may be in possession at either location during the closure. Fishing was fair to good using red worms and roe sacs for rainbow trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Jemez Waters:** Stream flow on the Jemez River near Jemez Springs on Monday morning was 28 cfs. Fishing on the Jemez was fair to good using worms, salmon eggs and copper John Barrs for trout. Fishing on the San Antonio was fair using San Juan worms, hares ears and copper John Barrs for a mixed bag of rainbow and brown trout. Fishing on the Cebolla was good using egg patterns, worms and salmon eggs. We had no reports from other streams in the area.

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

**Lake Farmington:** We had no reports from anglers this week. **Nonmotorized watercraft are now allowed on Lake Farmington. Fees are \$50 for the season or \$5 daily.**

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

**Navajo Lake:** Kokanee snagging opened Oct. 1 and runs through Dec. 31. The north side of the Pine Main boat ramp and the surrounding no wake zone has reopened to anglers. Snagging was very good in this area and near the dam. Lonnie Garrison reported that he and Judy Brittain had limits of kokanee within about four hours this past Friday. It was Judy's first time snagging. Fishing was slow to fair using roe sacs and spoons for rainbow trout. Fishing was slow to fair using jigs and tubes for smallmouth bass. Fishing was good using swim baits for northern pike. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp was in the high 50s.

**San Gregorio:** Fishing was slow.

**San Juan:** Water flow below Navajo Lake on Monday morning was 433 cfs. Fishing through the Quality Water section was fair to good using RS2s, comparaduns, crystal flash, root beers and olive midge pupae. Fishing through the bait waters was fair to good using salmon eggs, PowerBait, spinners, copper John Barrs and San Juan worms.

**Seven Springs Brood Pond:** Fishing was good using red worms, spoons, salmon eggs and PowerBait for rainbow trout.

**Tingley Beach:** Trout fishing the Central Pond and Youth Pond was good using PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms. Trout fishing at the Bob Gerding Catch and Release Pond was good using hares ears and small leech patterns.

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

## **Southwest**

**Alumni Pond:** Fishing was fair using PowerBait and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Bear Canyon:** Fishing was good using PowerBait, salmon eggs, worms and garlic cheese for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Bill Evans Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using worms, PowerBait and spinners for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Caballo Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species. Fishing pressure was very light.

**Elephant Butte Lake:** Fishing was fair using spoons for white bass. Fishing was slow to fair using liver and shrimp for catfish. Fishing was slow for largemouth bass and smallmouth bass with just a few catches reported by anglers using jigs and tubes. We had no reports on other species.

**Escondida Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using PowerBait, marshmallows, salmon eggs and Pistol Petes under a bubble for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Gila River:** Stream flow as of Monday morning was 158 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Glenwood Pond:** Fishing was good using PowerBait and salmon eggs for trout.

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

**Percha Dam:** Fishing was slow for all species.

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

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow below Elephant Butte as of Monday morning was .26 cfs. We had no reports from anglers in this area or below Caballo.

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

**Young Pond:** Fishing was very good using PowerBait, worms and Pistol Petes for trout. We had no reports on other species.

## **Southeast**

**Alto Lake:** The lake was recently stocked with trout but we had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Black River:** Stream flow at Malaga on Monday was 13 cfs. Fishing was slow for all species. Fishing pressure was very light.

**Blue Hole Park Pond:** Fishing was slow for all species. Fishing pressure was light.

**Bonito Lake:** Closed until further notice by the city of Alamogordo due to fire damage.

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

**Bottomless Lakes:** Fishing was good using PowerBait for trout. Anglers did well fishing at Devil's Ink Well and Pasture Lake.

**Brantley Lake:** Anglers should practice catch-and-release for all fish here as high levels of pesticides were found in some fish. Fishing was fair using tubes, crank baits, spoons and jigs for largemouth bass. We had no reports on other species.

**Carlsbad Municipal Lake:** Fishing was fair using worms for small sunfish and perch. Fishing was good using spinners, worms and PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Chaparral Park Lake:** Fishing was fair using PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

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

**Green Meadow Lake:** Fishing was good using worms, marshmallows and PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Greene Acres Lake:** Fishing was fair using PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms for trout.

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

**Jal Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using worms and PowerBait for trout.

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

**Oasis Park Lake:** Fishing was very good using Pistol Petes and assorted colors of PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Pecos River:** Stream flow below Sumner Lake as of Monday morning was 12 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Ruidoso River:** Stream flow at Hollywood on Monday was 7 cfs. Trout fishing was slow.

**Santa Rosa Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using tubes, craws, worms and jigs for smallmouth bass. We had no reports on other species.

**Sumner Lake:** Fishing was very good using craws and tubes for largemouth bass. Fishing was fair using spoons and crank baits for white bass. We had no reports on other species.

Crews stocked 56,508 triploid rainbow trout in the following waters: ALTO LAKE, ALUMNI POND, BEAR CANYON RESERVOIR, BELEN RIVERSIDE DRAIN, BERNALILLO DRAIN, BLUE HOLE PARK POND, BLUEWATER LAKE, BOSQUE REDONDO, CARRIZOZO RECREATION LAKE, CHAPARRAL PARK LAKE, CONSERVANCY PARK LAKE (aka Tingley Beach), CORONA POND, CORRALES RIVERSIDE DRAIN, DENNIS CHAVES POND, EL RITO CREEK (Near Santa Rosa), ESCONDIDA LAKE, ESTANCIA PARK LAKE, EUNICE LAKE, FENTON LAKE, GLENWOOD POND, GREEN MEADOW LAKE, GREENE ACRES LAKE, GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR, HARRY MCADAMS PARK POND, JAL LAKE, JEMEZ RIVER, MANZANO LAKE, MONASTERY LAKE, NAVAJO LAKE, NED HOUK PONDS, OASIS PARK LAKE, PECOS RIVER (Guadalupe County), RIO GRANDE (Elephant Butte Lake to Caballo, RUIDOSO RIVER and YOUNG POND.