

## 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.

**Alto Lake:** James Nichols of Roswell caught a 30-inch catfish July 9. He was fishing for trout with a small hook baited with two salmon eggs.

**Bluewater Lake:** Felipe Angel Iuria of Albuquerque caught and released a 37.5-inch, a 32-inch and a 28-inch tiger muskie July 9. He was using a Rapala X Rap.

**Eagle Nest:** Mason Giese, 10, of Rio Rancho caught an 18-inch rainbow trout July 5. He was fishing from the bank and using salmon peach PowerBait.

**Green Meadow Lake:** Sam Armstrong of Hobbs, caught an 8-pound channel catfish July 8. He was using shrimp.

**Lake Maloya:** Sandra Lisa Vigil of Raton caught a 24-inch 6.2-pound rainbow trout July 7. She was fishing from the bank and using salmon peach PowerBait.

**Navajo Lake:** Matt Woisin of Rio Rancho caught a 41.5-inch northern pike July 8. He was fishing from the bank and using a Panther Martin on 5-pound test line.

**Pecos River:** JR Tafoya of Ribera caught a 22-inch and a 20-inch rainbow trout July 9. He was using a Panther Martin. Desi Aragon of Bernalillo caught a 24-inch rainbow trout July 9. He was using salmon eggs.

**Rio Costilla:** Isaiah Chavez, 7, of Santa Fe caught a 17-inch rainbow trout July 9. He was fishing the lower river and using a brook trout colored Panther Martin.

**Rio Grande:** Leila Salas of Albuquerque caught a 20-inch channel catfish July 9. She was using chicken liver.

**Ute Lake:** Tabitha Leinberger of Clovis caught and released a 5.10-pound largemouth bass July 9. She was using a senko. Harry Dalton of Albuquerque caught and released a 5.37-pound smallmouth bass July 10.

The following came in too late for last week's report but we felt they were definitely worth mentioning:

**Lake Maloya:** Frank Coughenour of Rio Rancho caught a 24-inch 6.75-pound rainbow trout July 1. He was using PowerBait.

**Shuree Ponds:** Deidra Zuni, 16, of Isleta Pueblo caught a 16-inch rainbow trout July 2. She was using an olive Pistol Pete.

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.

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### **Northeast**

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

**Clayton Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Cimarron River:** Stream flow below Eagle Nest on Monday was 28 cfs. Fishing was good using yellow sallies, bead-head hare's ears, copper John Barrs, PowerBait, worms and salmon eggs for trout. Fishing at the Gravel Pit Lakes was good using PowerBait, worms, salmon eggs, Pistol Petes and spinners for trout.

**Conchas Lake:** Fishing was fair using worms, salt craws, tubes, creature baits and curly tail grubs for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. Fishing was fair using crank baits for white bass. Night fishing was fair to good using shrimp, liver and stink bait for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Cowles Ponds:** Fishing was good using night crawlers, PowerBait and salmon eggs for trout.

**Coyote Creek:** Fishing was good using copper John Barrs, salmon eggs, PowerBait and worms for trout.

**Eagle Rock Lake:** Fishing was good using PowerBait, marshmallow salmon egg combinations, worms and small spoons for trout.

**Eagle Nest Lake:** Fishing from anchored boats and from shore was good using PowerBait for rainbow trout. Fishing was good using worms for perch. Trolling for kokanee was fair to good using Arnies and Double Whammies tipped with corn. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Hopewell Lake:** Trout fishing was good using Kastmasters, Super Dupers, PowerBait, marshmallow salmon egg combinations and worms under a bobber.

**Lake Alice:** Fishing was good using PowerBait and homemade dough bait for trout.

**Lake Maloya:** Fishing was excellent using salmon peach, rainbow and garlic PowerBait, marshmallows and Pistol Petes for trout up to 26 inches. Jacki Terrill of Albuquerque caught two nice 18-inch rainbows in just 20 minutes. She was using a silver Kastmaster.

**Los Pinos River:** Fishing was good using elk hair caddis, parachute Adams, gold Panther Martins, and worms for trout.

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

**Monastery Lake:** Fishing was fair using PowerBait and salmon eggs for trout.

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

**Pecos River:** Stream flow on Monday was 45 cfs. Trout fishing was good using prince nymphs, elk hair caddis, stimulators, bead-head pheasant tails, Panther Martin spinners, salmon eggs and worms.

**Red River:** Stream flow below the hatchery on Monday was 82 cfs. Fishing on the Red was good using worms, copper John Barrs, San Juan worms and Panther Martins for trout.

**Red River City Ponds:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Rio Costilla:** Stream flow near Costilla on Monday morning was 80 cfs. Fishing was fair using spinners, stone fly nymphs and hare's ears for trout.

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow on Monday at the Taos Junction Bridge was 636 cfs. Fishing was fair to good using copper John Barrs, wooly worms, Kastmasters, PowerBait and night crawlers for trout. Fishing was fair using streamers for smallmouth bass. We had no reports on other species.

**Rio Hondo:** Stream flow near Valdez on Monday was 48 cfs. Fishing was good using San Juan worms, poundmeisters and worms for trout.

**Rio Pueblo:** Stream flow near Penasco on Monday was 8.8 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Santa Cruz Reservoir:** Fishing was fair using PowerBait, salmon eggs, small spoons, Fisher Chick spinners and Panther Martin spinners for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Shuree Ponds:** Fishing was slow to fair using Pistol Petes, spinners and micro mays for trout.

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

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

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

**Ute Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using jigs, small plastics on drop shot rigs and senkos for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits, minnows and curly tail grubs for white bass. A few catfish were caught by anglers using shrimp, liver and stink baits. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp was in the high 70s.

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

## **Northwest**

**Abiquiu Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits, jig and minnow and bottom bouncer night crawler rigs for walleye. Fishing was fair to good using jigs, tubes, grubs and crank baits for smallmouth bass. Fishing was fair to good using worms and PowerBait for rainbow trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Animas River:** Water flow near Aztec on Monday morning was 832 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Albuquerque Area Drains:** Rudy Aragon, Jr of Albuquerque caught a nice 17-inch brown trout at the Montano bridge area. He was using a gold spoon.

**Bluewater Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits for tiger muskie. 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 falling trees.

**Chama River:** Monday morning water flows below El Vado and Abiquiu were 219 cfs and 697 cfs respectively. Fishing below El Vado was fair using night crawlers, wooly buggers, bead-head hare's ears, copper John Barrs and black and gold Panther Martins for brown and rainbow trout. We had no reports from below Abiquiu.

**Cochiti Lake:** Fishing was fair using chicken liver, shrimp and hot dogs for catfish. Fishing for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass was slow with just a few caught by anglers using jigs, tubes, worms and creature baits. Fishing was fair using worms under a bobber for bluegill. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Fenton Lake:** Trout fishing was fair using meal worms, Pistol Petes, worms and wooly buggers for trout.

**Heron Lake:** Fishing was slow but there were a few kokanee and rainbow trout caught by anglers using Panther Martins, Double Whammies and Crippures tipped with corn. A few trout were also caught by anglers fishing from the bank and using PowerBait. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Jemez Waters:** Stream flow on the Jemez River near Jemez Springs on Monday morning was 13 cfs. Fishing on the Jemez was slow. Fishing on the Cebolla was good using hoppers, emergers, worms and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports on other streams in the area.

**Laguna Del Campo:** Fishing was good using salmon eggs, PowerBait, Pistol Petes, spinners and small spoons for trout.

**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:** Fishing was slow to fair using worms and PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

**Navajo Lake:** Fishing was good trolling Panther Martins, Z Rays, Crippures and Arnies at 20 to 35 feet for kokanee. Fishing was fair to good using curly tail grubs, tubes, senkos, baby brush hogs, worms, crank baits and spinners for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. A few were also caught by anglers using top water lures. Fishing was good using worms for perch. Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits, jerk baits and spinners for northern pike. Fishing was slow to fair using jigs for crappie. We had no reports on other species.

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

**San Juan River:** Stream flow as of Monday morning was reduced to 800 cfs and was scheduled to remain at this level until further notice due to extreme drought conditions. Fishing through the quality waters section was good using San Juan worms, red larvae, sparkle worms, streamers, foam wing emergers and flashback pheasant tail nymphs. Bank fishing through the bait section was good

using Blue Fox spinners, Panther Martins, Kastmasters, night crawlers, PowerBait and salmon eggs.

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

**Tingley Beach:** We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Trout Lakes:** Fishing was very good using worms, PowerBait, gold spinners and Pistol Petes for trout.

## **Southwest**

**Alumni Pond:** Fishing was fair using liver, shrimp, worms and hot dogs for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Bear Canyon Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species.

**Bill Evans Lake:** Fishing was slow for all species.

**Caballo Lake:** Fishing was slow to fair using liver and shrimp for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Elephant Butte Lake:** Fishing was fair using top water lures, jerk baits, curly tail grubs and crank baits for white bass. Fishing was fair using crank baits, sweet beavers, tubes, worms and senkos for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. Night fishing was good using shad, liver, cut bait and shrimp for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Escondida Lake:** Fishing was good using shrimp, hot dogs, beef liver and chicken liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Gila River:** Stream flow as of Monday morning was 27 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

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

**Percha Dam:** Fishing was slow to fair using beef liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Rio Grande:** Stream flow below Elephant Butte as of Monday morning was 2,000 cfs. Fishing was good using chicken liver, beef liver, shrimp and worms for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Young Pond:** Fishing was slow for all species.

## **Southeast**

**Alto Lake:** Fishing was fair using night crawlers, salmon eggs and liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Black River:** Stream flow at Malaga on Monday was 3.4 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

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

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

**Bottomless Lakes:** Fishing was slow for all species.

**Brantley Lake:** Anglers are required to catch and release all fish here as high levels of pesticides have been found in some fish. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

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

**El Rito Creek:** Fishing was fair using salmon eggs, worms and PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Green Meadow Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using shrimp, hot dogs and liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Greene Acres Lake:** Fishing was fair using liver, homemade dough bait and hot dogs for catfish.

**Grindstone Reservoir:** Fishing was good using PowerBait, garlic cheese, salmon eggs and worms for trout. Fishing was good using liver and hot dogs for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

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

**Lake Van:** Fishing was slow to fair using shrimp and chicken liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Oasis Park Lake:** Fishing was good in the early morning and late evening hours using cut bait and liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

**Pecos River:** Stream flow below Sumner Lake as of Monday morning was 98 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

**Ruidoso River:** Stream flow at Hollywood on Monday was 6 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

**Santa Rosa Lake:** Fishing was fair using senkos, tubes, jigs, crank baits and jerk baits for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. Fishing was fair to good using chicken liver, cut bait and shrimp for catfish. A few crappie were caught by anglers using minnows. We had no reports on other species.

**Sumner Lake:** Fishing was fair to good using crank baits, tubes, senkos and jerk baits for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. Fishing was fair using shrimp and frozen crawdads for catfish. Fishing was fair using minnows, grubs and crank baits for walleye and white bass. We had no reports on other species.