

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.

Alumni Pond: Nancy Fuller caught a 21-inch and a 22-inch channel catfish July 12. She was using garlic shrimp.

Bluewater Lake: Daniel Herrera, 11, of Tijeras caught and released a 33-inch tiger muskie July 17. He was using a jointed Strike Pro Gill Raker. Logan Robinette, 14, of Las Cruces caught and released a 38-inch tiger muskie July 17. He was using a crank bait.

Conchas Lake: Karl Cozby, 10, of Albuquerque caught and released a 14-inch largemouth bass July 14. He was using a pumpkinseed tube.

Fenton Lake: Adrian Kovacs of Albuquerque caught a 25-inch rainbow trout July 16. He was using a Kastmaster.

Lake Van: Carlos Brady of Roswell caught a 23-inch, 8-pound channel catfish July 16. He was using stink bait.

Pecos River: Troy Waters of Rio Rancho caught a 20.5-inch rainbow trout July 14. He was using a 1/16-ounce gold polka dot Buoyant spoon. Cheyenne Armijo, 7, of Pecos caught a 19-inch rainbow trout July 17. She was fishing in the Terrero campground area and using salmon eggs.

San Juan River: Chase Tyler, 12, of Albuquerque caught and released a 20-inch rainbow trout July 13. He was using a size 24 black crystal flash emerger. Owen Jacobsen, 12, of Albuquerque caught and released a 20-inch brown trout July 14. He was using a size 18 cream UFO.

Seven Springs Brood Pond: Adrian Salazar, 7, of Albuquerque caught a 20-inch rainbow trout July 15. He was using PowerBait.

Storrie Lake: Bryan Salazar, 10, of Las Vegas caught an 18-inch rainbow trout July 13. He was trolling a Little Cleo. John Maldonado of Las Vegas caught a 23-inch channel catfish July 15. He was using a night crawler.

Tingley Beach: Brandon Grant of Rio Rancho caught a 28-inch, 7-pound catfish July 17. He was fishing the Central Pond and using fried pork skins with barbeque sauce.

Trout Lakes: Liam Whole, 7, of Ripon, Calif. caught an 18-inch rainbow trout July 15. He was fishing the lower lake and using green PowerBait.

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

Cowles Ponds: Ayden Jinzo, 4, of Albuquerque caught a 20-inch 3.5-pound rainbow trout July 9. He was using PowerBait.

Pecos River: Aden Mendoza of Santa Fe caught a 20-inch rainbow trout July 9. He was using a Panther Martin.

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. 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: Fishing was slow for all species.

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

Cimarron River: Stream flow below Eagle Nest on Monday was 42 cfs. Fishing was good using yellow sallies, copper John Barrs, bead-head hare's ears, worms and salmon eggs for trout. Fishing at the Gravel Pit Lakes was fair to good using PowerBait, worms, salmon eggs, Pistol Petes and spinners for trout.

Conchas Lake: Fishing was slow to fair using worms, salt craws, tubes, creature baits and curly tail grubs for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. A few were also caught by angler using top water lures early and late in the day. Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits and top water lures for white bass. Night fishing was good using shrimp, liver, cut bait and stink bait for catfish. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp ranged from the high 70s to the low 80s.

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 fair to good using PowerBait for rainbow trout. Fishing was good using worms for perch. Trolling for kokanee was sporadic at best with a few caught by anglers using

Panther Martins, Arnies and Double Whammies on light tackle. We had no reports on other species.

Gallinas River: Fishing was fair to good using worms and salmon eggs for trout.

Hopewell Lake: Trout fishing was very good using Kastmasters, Pistol Petes, PowerBait, marshmallow salmon egg combinations and worms under a bobber.

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

Lake Maloya: Fishing was very good using salmon peach and garlic PowerBait, garlic cheese, marshmallows, homemade dough bait, Pistol Petes and Kastmasters for trout. The best reports are coming from anglers fishing early in the morning and late in the day.

Los Pinos River: Fishing was good using a wide variety of bead-head nymphs, San Juan worms, Panther Martins, and worms for trout.

Maxwell Lake 13: Fishing was slow for all species.

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

Morphy Lake: We had no reports from anglers this week.

Pecos River: Stream flow on Monday was 38 cfs. Trout fishing was good using stimulators, bead-head prince nymphs, Panther Martin spinners, PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms.

Red River: Stream flow below the hatchery on Monday was 68 cfs. Fishing was fair to good using worms, copper John Barrs, San Juan worms and spinners for trout.

Red River City Ponds: Fishing was good using PowerBait, worms and salmon eggs for trout.

Rio Costilla: Stream flow near Costilla on Monday morning was 90 cfs. Fishing was very good using spinners, hoppers, copper John Barrs and hare's ears for trout.

Rio Grande: Stream flow on Monday at the Taos Junction Bridge was 387 cfs. Fishing was fair using copper John Barrs, streamers. 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 38 cfs. Fishing was fair using San Juan worms, copper John Barrs and worms for trout.

Rio Pueblo: Stream flow near Penasco on Monday was 2.4 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 slow to fair using PowerBait, Pistol Petes under a bubble and Kastmasters 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 slow to fair using spinners and PowerBait for trout. We had no reports on other species. Fishing in the evening hours was good using night crawlers for catfish.

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

Ute Lake: Night fishing was good using cut bait and liver on trout lines for catfish. Fishing was fair using tubes, drop shot rigs and senkos for smallmouth bass. A few largemouth bass were caught by anglers using top water lures in the early morning hours. Fishing was fair using worms for bluegill. Fishing for all other species was slow. The surface water temp was in the low 80s.

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

Northwest

Abiquiu Lake: Fishing was good using crank baits, tubes, grubs and worms for smallmouth bass. Derrick Sandoval of Santa Fe had a great time here with friends this past weekend. They were using small plastics and reported catching and releasing several smallmouth bass. Fishing was slow to fair using jig and minnow combinations, curly tail grubs and crank baits for walleye. We had no reports on other species.

Animas River: Water flow near Aztec on Monday morning was 326 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

Albuquerque Area Drains: Matt Woisin of Albuquerque was fishing for catfish near the Montano St. Bridge and caught a 15-inch walleye. He was using hot dogs. We had no other reports.

Bluewater Lake: Fishing was slow to fair using crank baits, large spinners and jerk 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 961 cfs and 1,090 cfs respectively. Fishing below El Vado was good using bead-head prince nymphs, night crawlers and salmon eggs for trout. We had no reports from below Abiquiu.

Cochiti Lake: Fishing was fair using chicken liver, cut bait, shrimp and hot dogs for catfish. Fishing was slow to fair using tubes, jigs, creature baits and top water lures for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. A few white bass were caught by anglers trolling and casting crank baits. We had no reports on other species.

El Vado Lake: Fishing was fair casting and trolling crank baits for smallmouth bass. A few trout were caught by anglers using PowerBait and spoons.

Fenton Lake: Trout fishing was slow to fair using meal worms, Pistol Petes, garlic cheese and Kastmasters 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 fair to good using hoppers, emergers, parachute Adams, 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: We had no reports from anglers this week.

Navajo Lake: Fishing was fair to good trolling Panther Martins, Z Rays, Kokanee Killers, Double Whammies and Arnies tipped with corn at 25 to 35 feet for kokanee. Fishing was fair to good using curly tail grubs, tubes, senkos, baby brush hogs, crank baits and spinners for smallmouth bass. A few largemouth bass were caught by anglers using jigs, tubes and 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. A few rainbow trout were caught by anglers fishing from the bank and using spinners and PowerBait. 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 802 cfs. Fishing through the quality waters section was very good using crystal flash emergers, ju jus, fore and afts, dead chickens, parachute Adams and UFOs. Fishing through the bait section was good using spinners, Kastmasters, night crawlers, copper John Barrs, wooly buggers, parachute Adams, PowerBait, Gulp eggs and salmon eggs for trout.

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

Tingley Beach: Fishing at the Central and Youth Ponds was slow to fair using hot dogs, pork skins and shrimp for catfish. We had no reports from the Bob Gerding Catch and Release Pond.

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

Southwest

Alumni Pond: Fishing was good using worms for bluegill. Fishing was slow to fair using hot dogs and shrimp 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: We had no reports from anglers this week.

Elephant Butte Lake: Fishing was slow to fair using minnows, jerk baits, curly tail grubs and crank baits for white bass. Fishing was fair using crank baits, tubes, worms, top water lures and senkos for smallmouth bass and largemouth bass. The top water action was early and late in the day. Night fishing was good using shad, liver, cut bait and shrimp for catfish. We had no reports on other species. The surface water temp was in the low to mid 80s.

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

Gila River: Stream flow as of Monday morning was 19 cfs. We had no reports from anglers this week.

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

Lake Roberts: Fishing was slow to fair using PowerBait, salmon eggs and worms for trout.

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

Quemado Lake: Fishing was slow for all species.

Rio Grande: Stream flow below Elephant Butte as of Monday morning was 1,930 cfs. Fishing was fair using chicken liver, beef liver, cut bait, shrimp and worms for catfish. A few white bass were caught by anglers using minnows and grubs. 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 slow to fair using night crawlers 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 16 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. Fishing in the early morning hours was fair to good using tubes, senkos, worms and jerk baits for largemouth bass. We had no reports on other species.

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

Chaparral Park Lake: Fishing was slow for all species.

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

Eunice Lake: Fishing was slow for all species.

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

Greene Acres Lake: Fishing was slow to fair using liver and hot dogs for catfish.

Grindstone Reservoir: Fishing was good using PowerBait, garlic cheese, salmon eggs and Pistol Petes under a bubble for trout. 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 blood bait and chicken liver for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

Oasis Park Lake: Fishing was slow to fair 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 93 cfs. Fishing was fair using liver and shrimp for catfish. We had no reports on other species.

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, Pop Rs, 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. We had no reports on other species.

Sumner Lake: Fishing was fair using crank baits, tubes, senkos, creature baits, top water lures 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 white bass and an occasional walleye. We had no reports on other species.

Crews stocked 26,978 triploid rainbow trout in the following waters: BRAZOS RIVER, CHAMA RIVER (Above and Below El Vado), CIMARRON RIVER (West of Cimarron), CIMARRON RIVER GRAVEL PIT LAKES, COW CREEK, COYOTE CREEK (Near Guadalupita), GALLINAS ICE POND, GALLINAS RIVER (Near Las Vegas), GLENWOOD POND, GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR, HARRIS LAKE, HOPEWELL LAKE, LAGUNA DEL CAMPO (Burns Lake), MORA (Pecos River Drainage), MORPHY RESERVOIR, PECOS RIVER (Cowles to Village of Pecos), RED RIVER (Above Questa), RED RIVER EAST FORK, RED RIVER WEST FORK, RIO BONITO, RIO PUEBLO, RUIDOSO RIVER and SHUREE PONDS.