

Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department

Fishing Report

(Report prepared from information received from April 1- 27, 2023)

The Zuni Fish & Wildlife Department (ZFWD) would like for everyone to enjoy the fishing activity and the time outdoors in a safe and enjoyable manner. Please abide by all fishing Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Fishing & Small Game proclamation.

LAKE	FISHING AND LAKE CONDITIONS	
Eustace Lake (Stocked 4/27/23 w/ 3700 Rainbow Trout)	Lake is 90% full with moderate murky water, fishing has been heavy since early April. Average catch length for Rainbow Trout is anywhere from 6" - 9".	
	Average angler fishing hours = Unknown	Catch/hour = Unknown
	Angler satisfactory level = Unknown	

LAKE	FISHING AND LAKE CONDITIONS	
Black Rock Mini Mart & Spillway (Stocked 4/27/23 w/ 3700 Rainbow Trout)	Lake is 95% full with murky water, vegetation in some areas and fishing has been low. Average catch length for Rainbow Trout is anywhere from 8" - 12".	
	Average angler fishing hours = Unknown	Catch per hour = Unknown
	Angler satisfactory level = Unknown	

The ZFWD and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service set six fyke nets April 19, 2023 at Eustace Lake to see the fish survival rate from the fall and winter stockings. Nets were set in the afternoon and retrieved the following morning. Eight rainbow trout were caught. The average length was 10.5 inches and 0.4 lbs. Two-hundred-fifty green sunfish were collected and one yellow bullhead.

With the fortunate events of the spring runoff that we have received from the McGaffey and Box S area, both Nutria #4 & Nutria #2 reservoirs have received water and are 90-100% full. Although, with the warmer weather and the heavy fishing that has been occurring at Eustace Lake, only Eustace Lake and Blackrock Spillway & Blackrock Mini Reservoirs (Reservoir behind Mini Mart) have been stocked with fish. Next stocking will be at Nutria #2 & #4.

All individuals please be sure to visit the Fish & Wildlife Department for the 2022-2023 Fishing, Waterfowl, and Small Game Proclamation to look over rules and regulations, bag limits and catch sizes. A boating permit is required to operate a watercraft on all waterbodies on the Zuni Reservation.

Report prepared in collaboration with the two departments listed below and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

LAKE	FISHING AND LAKE CONDITIONS
Nutria Lake #4	Lake Open. No Fish. Stocking in May
Nutria Lake #2	Lake Open. No Fish. Stocking in May
Galestina Ponds A&B	Lake Closed.
Pescado Lake	Lake Closed.

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