

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Fishing Report

by ODFW

Due to cold weather and icy conditions, angler activity and updates to this week's recreation report are limited. Contact ODFW at the Deschutes Watershed Office (541) 388-6363 or Klamath Watershed Office (541) 883-5732 for more information.

ANTELOPE FLAT RESERVOIR: Opportunities for 12-14 inch rainbow trout are fair. Illegally introduced bullhead have had a negative impact on trout angling. Recent snows may limit access. Contact Ochoco National Forest @ 541-416-6500.

CLEAR LAKE: Clear Lake, located about 20 miles west of Maupin, has been stocked with keeper trout and should offer good angling opportunity.

COLUMBIA RIVER FROM BONNEVILLE RESERVOIR TO JOHN DAY DAM: Bass fishing has been good in the main Columbia and backwaters. Anglers are reporting good catch rates of nice bass in shallow water with artificial baits of various types.

CRESCENT LAKE: No boat ramps are accessible due to snow and the lake is still reported to be frozen over.
CROOKED RIVER BELOW BOWMAN DAM: Due to recent rains, as of Tuesday, the river flow was 400 cfs. This may limit angling opportunities.
DESCHUTES RIVER: Dry fly fishing has been slow; anglers should look at using nymphing tactics in the slow water areas.
DESCHUTES RIVER Lake Billy Chinook to Benham Falls: No reports from anglers fishing the reach from Bend to Lake Billy Chinook. Deschutes River flows in this reach are over 1000 cfs making the angling a little more challenging. There has though reportedly been good success by anglers working the waters from Bend upstream to Benham Falls. The section of river from Dillon Falls upstream to Benham has been seeing some good brown trout action.

FALL RIVER: Angler success continues to be fair for some and poor for others. The fish are reportedly fairly subdued with not a lot of interest in what the anglers have to offer. Fall River offers a great opportunity for anglers during the winter months though the fish don't always bite according to plan.

FROG LAKE: Frog Lake, located about 20 miles west of Maupin, has been stocked with keeper trout and should offer good angling opportunity.

HAYSTACK RESERVOIR: Reservoir is ice free. A limited number of large brood rainbow trout were released recently. Angling for these fish is a great late winter spring opportunity.

KINGSLEY RESERVOIR: Kingsley Reservoir, located west of Hood River, has recently been stocked with keeper and trophy trout and should offer good angling opportunity.

LAKE BILLY CHINOOK: The Metolius Arm is closed to angling. The balance of the reservoir has fair to good opportunities for bull, brown and rainbow trout.**LAURANCE LAKE:** Laurance Lake, located near Parkdale, has been stocked with keeper trout.**METOLIUS RIVER:** As reported last week, angler success has been mixed with good reports and fair reports. Depending on the weather and time of day fish may be seen on the rise chasing a caddis fly. The word is though, that the anglers have to really to work to get those same fish to look at their offerings. Anglers targeting bull trout seem to be having the best success. Regardless of success it's hard to beat a day on the Metolius.**OCHOCO RESERVOIR:** Ice is breaking up and is unsafe for fishing.**PINE HOLLOW:** Stocked with keeper trout.**PRINEVILLE RESERVOIR:** Ice is breaking up and is unsafe for fishing.**ROCK CREEK RESERVOIR:** Rock Creek Reservoir, located near Wamic, has been stocked with keeper and trophy trout and should offer good angling opportunity.**WALTON LAKE:** Opportunities for 8-16 inch rainbow trout are fair.