

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Fishing Report

by ODFW

ANTELOPE FLAT RESERVOIR: Recent warm weather has likely opened access to the reservoir. Angling for 14-18 inch carryover rainbow trout should be fair to good. Check with Ochoco National Forest 541-416-6500 for current conditions.

CLEAR LAKE: Located about 20 miles west of Maupin. Access may be difficult due to snow.

CRESCENT LAKE: Good reports anglers launching small boats from the beach near the outlet. Brown trout activity seems to be bringing smiles to a number of anglers. March and April are typically good months to target brown trout and kokanee; access permitting. One suggestion for anglers is to try trolling shoreline areas in 15 feet of water with a variety of lures.

CROOKED RIVER BELOW BOWMAN DAM: Stream flows as of Monday were 780 cfs and may increase to 1000 by the weekend. The high flows will limit angling opportunity for the next week or two.

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 anglers were observed on the river to as basis for a report. Deschutes River through this reach flows are ranging between 900 cfs and 1000 cfs making angling a little more challenging.

FALL RIVER: Reports from several accomplished anglers indicate that success has been less than fair and tending to poor.

FROG LAKE: Located about 20 miles west of Maupin. Access may be difficult due to snow. **HAYSTACK RESERVOIR:** Opportunities for 12-18 inch rainbow and brown trout are fair to good. There are also a limited number of brood rainbow trout available.

LAKE BILLY CHINOOK: Bull trout angling picked up considerably over the weekend with a number of fish caught over 24 inches. Bigger fish still seem to be deep (60-70 feet) working schools of kokanee. Cove Palisades State Park is currently conducting repairs and improvements to the boat ramp on the Crooked River Arm. The only boat ramps open for launching are the upper ramp on the Deschutes Arm and Perry South on the Metolius Arm. This is scheduled to be in effect until May 15. Contact the State Park for current information at 541-546-3412 NORTH TWIN: North Twin is ice free and accessible. Late winter/early spring at North Twin Lake provides a good opportunity for rainbow trout which carried over from the summer of 2006.

OCHOCO RESERVOIR: Opportunities for 12-16 inch rainbow trout are fair to good.

PINE HOLLOW: ODFW will stock in mid-March. PRINEVILLE RESERVOIR: Opportunities for 12-16 inch rainbow trout are fair to good.

ROCK CREEK RESERVOIR: Located near Wamic. ODFW will stocked this waterbody in the spring.

SUTTLE LAKE: Suttle Lake is ice free with boat access. Late winter at Suttle Lake provides good opportunity for brown trout and with the kokanee fishery coming on April.

WALTON LAKE: Opportunities for carryover rainbow trout up to 16 inches should be fair to good. The gate to the campground is closed and anglers will have to walk the last ¼ mile to the lake.