

# **Initiation of the Fisheries Rule 19.31.4 NMAC, Hunting and Fishing Manner and Method of Taking Rule 19.31.10 NMAC**

**Agenda Item 8  
April 25, 2025**



# Fisheries Rule

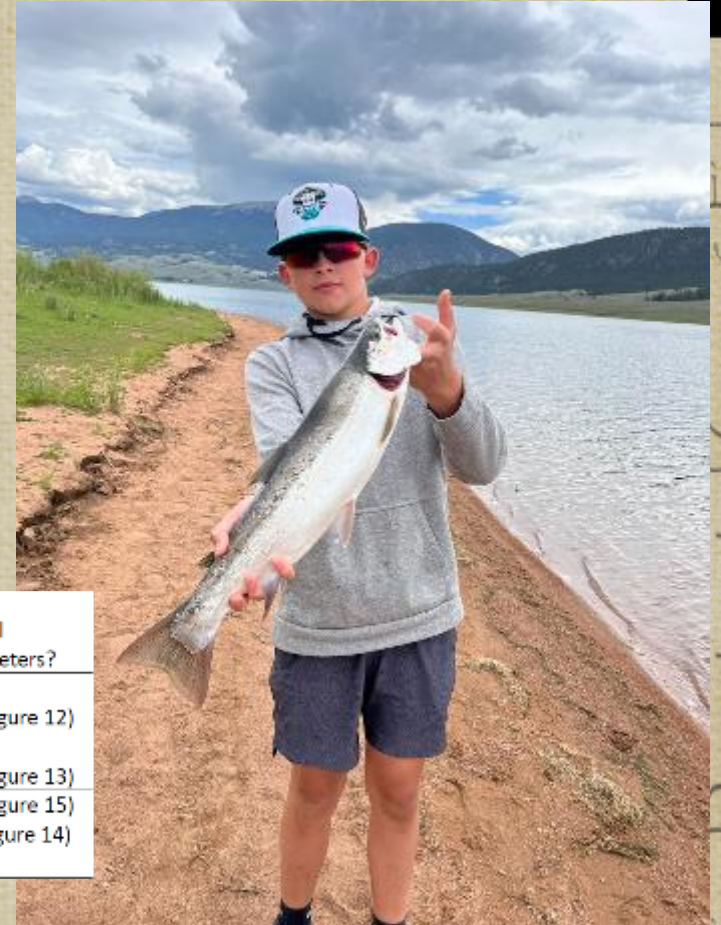
- Four Year Cycle
- Current Rule Expires March 31, 2026
- Manner and Method for Fishing



# Data Review and Angler Input

Stream	Site	Date of survey	Species	Density (adults/ac +95% CI)	Mult. year classes and YOYs?	Met all parameters?
Beaver Creek	Only Site	8/2/23	Brook Trout	1,010.7±4.8	Yes	Yes
Diablo Creek	Only Site	8/2/23	Brook Trout	4,088.86±188.7	Yes	Yes
Brazos River	Only Site	8/1/23	Brown Trout	38.7±4.8	No YOYs	No
Red River	Special Trout Water	8/15/23	Brown Trout	202.7±13.8	Yes	Yes
	La Bobbitt CG	8/15/23	Brown Trout	14.3±0.0	No	No
	Questa Ranger Station	8/15/23	Brown Trout	66.7±20.0	Yes	No
	Hatchery Diversion	8/16/23	Brown Trout	138.4±11.1	Yes	Yes
Cimarron River	Above Talby CG	8/16/23	Brown Trout	293.4±34.1	Yes	Yes
	Blackjack CG	8/17/23	Brown Trout	829.8±60.1	Yes	Yes
	Above Gravel Pits	8/17/23	Brown Trout	842.4±64.8	Yes	Yes
	Lowest Site	8/17/23	Brown Trout	229.7±29.5	Yes	Yes
Pecos River	Bert Clancy	8/29/23	Brown Trout	696.6±58.0	Yes	Yes
	Terrero	8/29/23	Brown Trout	711.3±52.2	Yes	Yes
	Lower Mora	8/30/23	Brown Trout	916.2±31.2	Yes	Yes
	Upper Mora	8/31/23	Brown Trout	827.1±55.8	Yes	Yes
	Jaime Koch	8/31/23	Brown Trout	920.3±90.4	Yes	Yes
Rio Pueblo	Special Trout Water	9/20/23	Brown Trout	470.9±36.2	Yes	Yes
	Upper Site	9/20/23	Brown Trout	812.7±43.6	Yes	Yes
Agua Piedra	Only Site	9/20/23	Brown Trout	550.3±34.4	No YOYs	No

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Water	Dates of survey	Species	(fish/net night; 80% CI)	PSD	Wr (80% CI)	Met all parameters?
Conchas Lake	10/2-5/23	Walleye	1.7 ± 0.3	72	92.2 ± 1.2	No
Santa Rosa Lake	10/10-12/23	Channel Catfish	5	26	96.6 ± 1.9	Yes (Figure 12)
Elephant Butte Lake	11/6-9/23	Walleye	6.3 ± 1.0	60	101.2 ± 1.1	Yes
		Channel Catfish	7.9 ± 2.1	20	103.7 ± 1.3	Yes (Figure 13)
		Blue Catfish	6.4 ± 2.0	5	92.5 ± 0.8	Yes (Figure 15)
		Channel Catfish	0.6 ± 0.2	N/A	90.3 ± 3.8	No (Figure 14)
		Striped Bass	0.9 ± 0.4	100	100.9 ± 1.6	Yes



# Fisheries Rule Proposals

- Clarify definition of “Artificial Fly or Lure, Single Barbless Hook”, no artificial or natural scent
- Special Trout Water Designation - Jack’s Creek, Rio Chiquito, and Rio San Antonio (near Lagunitas Lakes)
  - Catch and Release for Rio Grande Cutthroat Trout
  - Unlimited harvest for non-native trout
- Remove Santa Cruz, Bonito, and Springer Lakes reference for ice fishing prohibition



# Manner and Method Proposals



- Clarify definition of “Artificial Fly or Lure, Single Barbless Hook”, no artificial or natural scent
- Remove Santa Cruz, Bonito, and Springer Lakes reference for ice fishing prohibition
- Prohibit using “bait fish” within BLM Overflow Wetlands
- Trolling Motors at Jackson Lake WMA
- Director’s authority to suspend angling limits, methods, and size limits or to close a water
  - Six Months

# Public Outreach – May/June



# Questions?

