



Two Buttes Reservoir

FISH SURVEY AND MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

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General Information: Two Buttes Reservoir has gone through various stages of water retention in the past decade. Currently, the lake is very low and water levels are steadily declining. Two Buttes Res. is expected to go dry sometime in 2020. **The fishery has been opened to public salvage.** The fish may be taken with any legal method and no limits exist.

Location: Baca County. Travel south on Hwy 287 to Prowers Co. Rd. C. Travel east towards the Butte.

Size: 50 surface acres (variable); Lake varies depending on precipitation events.

Average Depth: 4 ft.

Management: Colorado Parks and Wildlife

<u>Amenities and General Info.</u>	<u>Previous Stocking</u>	<u>Sportfishing Notes</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 cement boat ramps, (currently, no ramps are in service). • Camping permitted (primitive). • Fires allowed, unless county fire ban is in effect. • Restroom available on North side of lake. • Excellent bird-watching opportunities. 	<p><i>FISH STOCKING HAS BEEN SUSPENDED</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Largemouth Bass</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As an ambush predator, bass relate to some type of structure (trees, rocks, submerged vegetation, etc.). • Bass will hit a wide variety of offerings including live bait, jigs, crank baits, spinners, spoons, and plastic worms. • Best times are Apr.– Jun., or summer months during morning or evening. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Panfish (Crappie, Bluegill)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prefer areas with submerged structure, aquatic vegetation, or near schooling bait fish. • Best months are Apr - June • Effective tackle includes live bait rigs (minnow and worm), small jigs (< 2", 1/8 oz.), small spinners, and dry flies. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Channel Catfish</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variable depths, shallow during June/July spawning. Good night fishing. • Best months are May–Oct. • Effective baits include: worms, minnows, shrimp, crawdads, cut bait, doughbait
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Regulations</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NO ATV's or OHV's allowed on the wildlife area. • Vehicles must remain on designated roads. • Pack out all trash • Restrictions on bait fish have been changed. Anglers can now bring baitfish from the 6-county exempted area. Anglers are STRONGLY encouraged to read the rules governing baitfish transport on page 6 of the fishing brochure. 		