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Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

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This is the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's fishing report for **June 3, 2009**. If there is a body of water you would like included in this report, please call or e-mail us with information on possible sources for that lake or river.

Fishing Tip: Bass fishing at night during summer can be exciting and productive, and the right spinnerbait will make or break a nighttime trip. Select one like Booyah's Moontalker, which features a dark-colored skirt and a big Colorado blade. Bass will see the dark colored skirt better when it's silhouetted against the night sky, and a big Colorado blade puts out more thump than willow leaf blades.

Arkansas River Levels are available at:

http://www.swl-wc.usace.army.mil/WCDS/Reports/Daily/Pao_rvrs.txt

White River Levels are available at:

http://www.srh.noaa.gov/lmrfc/forecast/tributaries/status_white.shtml

Statewide Family and Community Fishing Report: Catfish are in Community fishing ponds statewide. Nightcrawlers fished just off the bottom on a slip cork or on bottom with a bell sinker are working well. Many of the ponds are full of bream as well. Crickets fished under a bobber will catch plenty of bream. For more stocking information, call the Hotline at 1-866-540-FISH (3474) toll-free.

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Central Arkansas**Lake Conway:**

Bates Field and Stream (501-470-1846) said the water is clear and a little high. Bream are being caught worms and crickets. Crappie are slow. A few bass are being caught on swim baits. Catfishing is picking up using

trotlines baited with small bream.

Dan at Gold Creek Landing said bream are biting well on crickets and redworms. Crappie are biting fairly well around cypress trees. Bass are hitting fairly well on soft plastics in the lily pads. Catfishing is good on trotlines baited with bream.

Little Red River:

Lindsey's Resort (501-302-3139) said the fishing is good. The water level varies with one unit running in the afternoon. Trout are biting well on Power Bait and nightcrawlers. Fly-fishing is best in the morning when the water is low.

Jed Hollan at the **Little Red Fly Shop** said the Greers Ferry Powerhouse has been releasing water every day from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. You can fish at JFK Park from dawn until the horn sounds at 10 a.m., then relocate to Winkley Shoal and fish until the high water arrives at about 1:30 p.m. and until 3 p.m. or so at Libby Shoal. Fishing is great and the river is beautiful. The local chapter of Trout Unlimited will help host the Kid's Fishing Derby at JFK Park below the Greers Ferry Dam. This year it will be on Saturday, June 13, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Each child must register the morning of the event and every kid (12 years old and under) will get a prize.

Greers Ferry:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 469.46 feet MSL.

Tommy Cauley of Fish Finder Guide Service had no report.

Shiloh Marina (501-825-6237) had no report.

Harris Brake Lake:

Coffee Creek Landing (501-889-2745) said that the water is about 1½ feet high and murky. Fishing is slow on crappie, bass and catfish. Bream are biting well on worms and crickets.

Lake Overcup:

Lakeview Landing (501-354-1470) said the water is murky and high. Bream are biting well on crickets. Crappie are slow. Catfishing is fair on crayfish and goldfish. Bass are biting well on spinnerbaits and black/blue jigs.

Overcup Landing (501-354-9007) said the water is a little high and green from fertilization. Bream are biting well on redworms and crickets. Crappie are slow, but some have been caught on dark-colored jigs. Catfishing is slow on live bream and nightcrawlers in about 10 feet of water. Bass are biting well on spinnerbaits or black and June bug-colored plastic worms.

Brewer Lake:

Overcup Landing (501-354-9007) said the water is a little high and clear. Bream are biting well on wax worms and crickets. Crappie are biting well on small minnows near brush piles. Bass are biting fairly well on top-water lures. No report on catfish.

Lake Maumelle:

Jolly Rogers Marina said the average surface water temperature is 75 degrees and the water level is 1.2 inches above the spillway. Largemouth bass are excellent in 6 to 12 feet of water. Deep-running crankbaits, heavy spinnerbaits and jigs are working well. Kentucky bass are biting well in 6 to 14 feet of water on jigs, tubes and deep-diving crankbaits. White bass are biting well and are schooling in the middle of the lake from North Shore to just north of Jims Island. CC spoons and clear Near Nuttings or Rogues are working well. Crappie are biting well in 15 to 20 feet of water on minnows and 1/32-oz. jigs. Bream are moving to shallow cover and are biting excellently on worms and crickets. Saugeye are fair in 10 to 15 feet of water on Road Runners and jigs. Catfishing is good on minnows, worms and prepared baits in 8 to 15 feet of water.

Hatchet Jack's Sport Shop (501-758-4958) said the water is high and clear. The bream are biting well on crickets. Crappie are slow. Bass are biting well on green pumpkin, watermelonseed or black/blue jigs. Catfish are good on cut bait and live bream.

Lake Valencia:

Hatchet Jack's Sport Shop (501-758-4958) said the water is high and murky. Bream are biting on crickets. Crappie are biting fair on minnows. Bass are biting on minnows. Catfishing is good on nightcrawlers.

Sunset Lake:

Turbyfill's Outdoor Sports (501-315-3061) said the water is normal and muddy. Bream are biting well in shallow water on crickets. Crappie are slow. Bass are biting well on top-water lures and soft plastics. Catfish are biting well on chicken liver and Magic Bait.

Saline River Access in Benton:

Turbyfill's Outdoor Sports (501-315-3061) said the water is high and muddy. The bream are biting well on black/brown Rooster Tails and live bait. Crappie are fair on 2-inch grubs. Bass are biting well on white/chartreuse spinnerbaits. Catfishing is good in the shallows on Magic Bait and shad.

Arkansas River at Morrilton:

Charley's Hidden Harbor in Oppelo said the gates are halfway open and the flow is 120,000 cfs and dropping. Few people are on the river. Catfishing is good below locks 9 and 10 and behind jetties on whole shad. Bream are biting well in backwaters on crickets fished around flooded brush. Bass are moving to the backs of jetties and creek mouths. Spinnerbaits fished along woody cover in these areas are producing fairly well.

Arkansas River at Little Rock:

Vince Miller from [Fish N' Stuff](#) (501-834-5733) said the water is high and muddy, but people were catching a few in the backwaters. There are small craft warnings because the water is flowing extremely fast.

Hatchet Jack's Sport Shop (501-758-4958) said the water is high and muddy for all locations, at Fourche La Fave, Fourche Creek, Big Maumelle Creek, Murray Lock and Dam, Little Maumelle Creek, Palarm Creek, Burns Park. Bream are biting well on worms and crickets in backwater areas. Catfish are biting well on nightcrawlers and cut bait. Crappie are slow. Bass are biting fairly well in backwaters on spinnerbaits that are chartreuse or any other color that stands out in the murky water.

McSwain Sports Center (501-945-2471) said the water is high and muddy and nothing to report at Terry Lock and Dam.

Clear Lake:

McSwain Sports Center (501-945-2471) said the water is high and clear. Bream are biting well in 2-3 feet of water on crickets and redworms. Crappie are biting well in 8-10 feet of water near brush tops on minnows. The bass are biting in 4 feet of water near logs and timber on white or chartreuse spinnerbaits.

Peckerwood Lake:

Herman's Landing (870-241-3731) said the water is high and clearing. Bream are biting well on crickets. Catfishing is good on worms and minnows. The crappie are biting fairly well on minnows and jigs.

Pickthorne Lake:

Hatchet Jack's Sport Shop (501-758-4958) said the water is high and muddy. The bream are good on crickets. Crappie are biting well on minnows near brush piles. Catfishing is good on nightcrawlers and packaged bait. Bass are biting white or chartreuse spinnerbaits.

North Arkansas**White River:**

John Berry from [Berry Brothers Guide Service](#) said the pattern on the White was for moderate flows around the clock. This created some excellent conditions for drift fishing and some limited wading. The catch-and-release section below Bull Shoals Dam has been fishing extremely well. With lower flows, anglers reported success on midge patterns. The most effective were zebra midges in black with silver wire and silver beads and red with silver wire and silver beads. The best sizes were 14-16. Other hot patterns have been pheasant tails and egg patterns. Wildcat Shoals has been another hot spot. Anglers have reported great success on low flows. The hot flies have been soft hackles. Try green butts, partridge and orange soft hackles and partridge and green soft hackles. Anglers have also done well with black zebra midges and olive woolly buggers. Rim Shoals has fished extremely well. The hot flies were black zebra midges, prince nymphs and pheasant tail nymphs. Other successful flies have been brightly colored San Juan worms (cerise, hot fluorescent pink, and red), egg patterns, and Y2Ks. Some anglers have reported success stripping olive woolly buggers in deeper runs. The best way to do this is with a fast sinking sink tip or a full sinking line.

Sportsman's White River Resort (870-453-2424) said the water fluctuates because they are turning the generators off in the morning and on in the evening and are using 2-3 generators at a time. Fishing is good on Power Bait and small spoons when water levels are low, and jigs and Rapalas when the water is higher.

Ken Richards at **Just Fishing Guides** said water releases have been moderate. Cloudy days have been bettering the upper reaches. Several flies have been productive for rainbow trout. Beadhead midges, San Juan worms, copper johns and pink jigs have all worked well. The fish are spooky when the sun is out, so increase the length of your leader on sunny days.

White River (From Buffalo Shoals to Norfolk):

Jim Brentlinger at **Linger's Guide Service and Fishing Lodge** (870-499-5185) said from Cartney to Big Creek, trout have been biting very steadily on jigs, Power Bait, spinners and Rapalas. Smallmouth bass are biting very well from Cartney to Shipps Ferry. Tube baits in dark green or pumpkinseed work well. Larger bass are coming on 5/8- or 3/8-ounce spinnerbaits slow rolled back to the boat. Large brown trout will hit these baits as well. The Matney area has been a little slow for trout but the smallmouth are very active in that area. A lot of fish are being caught from Norfolk to Reds Landing. Power Bait is producing the most fish.

Crooked Creek:

John Berry of **Berry Brothers Guide Service** said Crooked Creek and the Buffalo River are starting to clear. With lower flows the bass fishing should start picking up. Try Clouser minnows and crawfish patterns and concentrate on structure like rock shelves and fallen trees.

Bull Shoals Lake:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 671.85 feet MSL.

Bob Pauletti (870-656-3350) with **Bull Shoals Lake Boat Dock** had no report.

Lake Norfolk:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 562.42 feet MSL.

101 Grocery and Bait said the surface water temperature is in the mid- to upper 70s. Crappie fishing is fair. Striper fishing is fair. Bluegill fishing is good on crickets, worms and small minnows. Catfishing is good using trotlines and jugs baited with stink bait, chicken liver or shiners. Bass fishing has been fair. White bass fishing has been fair. Walleye fishing has been fair using minnows and worms. The morning bite is the best time to be on the fish, especially for white bass.

Norfolk Tailwater:

John Berry from **Berry Brothers Guide Service** said generation on the Norfolk has been very limited, which has created some excellent wading. The Corps of Engineers has been holding back water to relieve flooding downstream. When that flooding abates, we can expect some much higher levels of generation. The overall quality of fishing on the Norfolk River remains poor because of heavy fishing pressure. On lower flows concentrate on midge nymph patterns like the black zebra midge or Norfolk bead head in sizes 18-20. Midge emergers like Dan's turkey tail emerger are also effective. On higher flows brightly colored San Juan worms and egg patterns are the go to flies. Be on the look out for a good sulphur hatch.

Jim Brentlinger at **Linger's Guide Service and Fishing Lodge** (870-499-5185) said fishing is poor in the Norfolk tailwater. Some small fish can be caught on Power Bait and jigs fished from the confluence of the White and North Fork to the first island upstream.

Northwest Arkansas

Beaver Lake:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 1,128.78 feet MSL.

JT's Crappie Guide Service (479-640-3980) said bass fishing has been fair. Try fishing spinnerbaits or Texas-rigged lizards around flooded brush early and late. In the middle of the day, fish a jig slowly in shade under docks and bluff lines. Crappie fishing has been tough. Try minnows under a cork 10 to 20 feet deep along standing timber close to bluffs or along creek channels. Night fishing has been productive under the 12 bridge and along bluff lines close to a channel bend. Set out floating or submersible lights at night and use minnows 10 to 20 feet

deep to catch White bass, crappie, walleye and catfish.

Southtown Sporting Goods (479-443-7148) said the water is high and murky. The bream are biting well on crickets. The crappie are biting well on minnows and jigs. Bass are biting well in the shallow water on top-water lures. Catfishing is good using jugs and trotlines baited with live goldfish.

Beaver Tailwaters:

Ken Richards at [Just Fishing Guides](#) said fishing has been tough in the mornings, but the afternoon bite has been very good. Small scuds and sowbugs, midges and soft hackles have been working well. Small woolly buggers will produce in some of the deeper holes as well.

Kings River:

Ken Richards at [Just Fishing Guides](#) said smallmouth are really getting active in the upper stretches of the Kings River. Four-inch lizards, tubes and Baby Brush Hogs are working well. Sunfish are on the beds, and are very active. Fly-fishing with small Clouser minnows and large dark woolly buggers has been productive for all species as well.

Lake Fayetteville:

Lake Fayetteville Boat Dock (479-444-3476) had no report.

Lake Sequoyah:

Lake Sequoyah Boat Dock (479-444-3475) said the water is about 2 feet above normal and dingy. Bream are biting fairly well on worms and crickets. Crappie are biting well in the shallow water around tree tops on minnows and Roadrunners. Bass are biting fairly well in 1-3 feet of water on plastic worms and buzzbaits. Catfishing is good in 8-10 feet of water on chicken liver and shad.

Northeast Arkansas

Henry Gray Hurricane Lake WMA:

Judy Potts of Judy's Bait Shoppe at the North entrance to Henry Gray Hurricane Lake WMA had no report.

Crown Lake:

[Boxhound Marina](#) (870-670-4496) said the water is normal and clear. There was more playing than fishing going on this weekend, and not a lot of fishing to report on. The bream are biting well on crickets. Crappie are biting fairly well on minnows. Bass are biting well on plastic worms. Catfishing is good on chicken liver.

Lake Frierson:

[Lake Frierson State Park](#) said the water is high and muddy. The bream are biting on crickets. Catfish are biting well on shrimp and nightcrawlers. There is nothing to report on crappie or bass.

Spring River:

Mark Crawford at [Spring River Fly Shop](#) said water clarity remains low and water levels are running just a little above average. Fishing has been outstanding. Using a dropper rig with an indicator is just the trick early in the day when hatches are occurring. Fish a size 14-16 gray zebra midge with a size 12-16 prince nymph, hare's ear or pheasant tail dropper. If you just want to catch bigger fish, the brownie (a Super Bugger with white legs) is still the best setup.

Southeast Arkansas

Lake Chicot:

[Lakeshore Motel and Marina](#) (870-265-9901) said the lake is about 8 inches high and should be normal by next weekend. The bream are full of eggs and by next weekend should be on the beds. Good catches of big bream have come from crickets. The catfish are doing great, being caught on anything you bait the hook with. Most are being caught close to the bank. Several ice chests were filled right in front of the motel from the bank. Big crappie are being caught in 14 feet of water on red/chartreuse jigs. Bass are slow. White bass are fair under lights at night.

Lake Monticello:

Fishing guide Greg Gulledge (870-723-3928) of MonticelloBigBass.com said the lake is coming down to a normal level with the lack of substantial rainfall the last few days. The surface temperature has really taken off over the last week, reaching the low 80s. There are still bass in the shallows guarding fry and munching on bedding bream. With the bass still in the skinny water, Flukes, Senkos and topwaters are catching fish. Also, a bottom bite is beginning to emerge with bass being caught on Beaver-type baits, Brush Hogs, and ribbon-tailed worms 5 to 8 feet deep. As the water continues to warm, the deeper water bite will get better. The red-eared sunfish bite is still firing. Fish crickets and worms around shallow holes in the pads and beds.

Southwest Arkansas**Millwood Lake:**

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 260.44 feet MSL.

[Millwood Lake Guide Service](#) said caution is still advised during navigation near, or in the river due to debris and marker buoys pushed out of the channel. Several trees have lodged in boat lanes as well. Water clarity is still low, with 2-4 inches of visibility being good. Bass are still recovering from the rise and fall of water. The best bite has been in the morning on weightless trick worms or wacky rigs in June bug, grasshopper or kiwi colors. Bass Assassin Shads and buzzbaits have worked around clearer water near lily pads and other vegetation. Rat-L-Traps in Millwood Magic, Firetiger, or Bleeding White Shad colors are working for a solid reaction bite in the better water clarity areas of the oxbows up Little River. Bandit crankbaits in brown back/orange belly crawfish patterns are still taking some keeper size bass in the 4-5 pound class. Siefert's buzzbaits in Avocado, Chartreuse Crow, or Lime Sherbet colors, and spinnerbaits in Hot Mouse, firetiger, and white/chartreuse colors are working in clear water if you can find any. The jig bite is beginning to improve on Texas craw, metallic amber/chartreuse or river craw/orange colors. Texas-rigged worms and in black/chartreuse tail, plum, peanut butter and jelly, or red bug are working along the edges of pad fields. White bass are scattered and slow. Crappie are beginning to improve. Blakemore Roadrunners and tube jigs in chartreuse/white and live shiners are producing a few. Channel catfish are excellent on cut shad, Catfish Charlie and blood bait.

White Oak Lake:

Local angler John Tilley said the water temperature is rising and the water level is dropping. Bass fishing has been spotty with a few caught on plastic worms. Bream fishing still good when you can find the beds. Most bites are coming on crickets and worms. Catfishing has been excellent on noodles baited with live bait, especially at night.

Lake Greeson:

Darryl Morris of [Family Fishing Trips Guide Service](#) said Lake Greeson is at 549.73 msl and is scheduled to drop a foot or more per day through June 7. Since the lake is dropping so fast, crappie, catfish and bass can still be caught but will be on the move and scattered. Once the lake stabilizes, so will the fish. Look for them on brush piles and bamboo condos with small shiners 10-12 foot deep in 18-25 foot of water. Stripers were caught last week on deeper secondary channels using live bait. Some black bass and white bass were caught trolling crankbaits.

DeGray Lake:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers reports the lake's elevation at 407.14 feet MSL.

Local angler George Graves said the water surface temperature is in the low 80s. The water is dingy. Hybrid fishing is good in the morning and evening. Most of the fish are coming up and breaking in the areas of the Route 7 dike, De Roche Ridge, State Park Marina cove, (outside the marina), and the big cove on the west side of the State Park Lodge causeway. A few fish are breaking off the big flat at point 10. In-line spinners, spoons and Rat-L-Traps are working best. Look for any surface activity and bring your lure up under the fish. Also use the sonar to look for suspended schools at about 15 feet down. Bass fishing is fair with most being caught in the early morning and late evening. Look for bass off secondary and main-lake points. The fish will be shallow in the morning, so use a shallow running crankbait, jerk bait or spinnerbait. Throw a top water, such as a Zara Spook, to any breaking fish. Later in the day, fish in about 10 to 15 feet of water and use a Texas-rigged worm or jig. Mid-lake between Edgewood and Yancey Creek has been best. Bream have been biting well. Look for fish on shallow (3 to 10 feet) secondary points. The points in the major coves have been best. Use a float, no. 6 hook and redworms or crickets.

DeGray One Stop (501-865-3511) had no report.

West-Central Arkansas

Lake Dardanelle:

Regina Olson at [Spadra Marina](#) said fishing has significantly improved during the last two days. The water has dropped to normal levels. Crappie have been biting very well on crappie minnows, blue/white sparkle and clear sparkle Little Hustler jigs. Bass seem to be returning to favored spots and are fair in the evenings on black/blue jigs and soft-plastics. White Sweet Beavers have also been popular. Catfish are biting best on shad and bass minnows. Danny King and Secret Seven prepared baits seem best for channel cats.

Murphy's Sporting Goods (479-229-3200) said the water is muddy and high. There is no report on bream or crappie. Bass are fair on spinnerbaits, crankbaits and dark-colored worms. Catfishing is good on stinkbait, nightcrawlers and minnows.

Blue Mountain Lake:

Teresa at CD's Quick Stop (479-947-2178) said the water is high and muddy. Nothing has been heard on bass or bream. Crappie are biting well on minnows. catfish are biting well on worms and chicken liver.

Ozark Pool:

Lakeside Food Mart (479-667-5155) said the water is muddy and high. The bream are biting fairly well on crickets and nightcrawlers. Crappie are biting well on minnows and jigs. Catfishing was good on cut bait and nightcrawlers. Black bass were doing fairly well on crankbaits, spinnerbaits and soft plastics.

Lake Ouachita:

As of Tuesday, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had no elevation available.

Larry Hurley from [Poorman's Guide Service](#) said bass fishing is good. Fish are suspending over points and can be caught on shad-colored spinnerbaits and top-water baits early in the morning. When the morning bite dies, switch to a jig or Texas-rigged worm. Bream are biting well with many on the beds. Stripers are fair around the dam, but anglers are concentrated there.

[Mountain Harbor Resort](#) said the water is 74-78 degrees and clearing. Largemouth bass are biting well on flukes and shad-colored baits around main-lake and secondary points. Top-water action is good on Zara Puppies and Boy Howdies. Walleye are still fair on bottom bouncers and Lindy rigs baited with nightcrawlers and fished on main-lake points near brush. Stripers are biting well on live shad and trotline minnows. Top-water action is good on C-10 Redfins. Bream are excellent on worms or crickets in 6 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are good around brush in 20 to 30 feet of water on minnows and Tennessee shad crappie grubs. Catfishing is excellent on jugs and trotlines baited with live bait or cut bait.

[Trader Bill's Outdoor Sports](#) said the lake is falling. The surface temperature is in the 70s. Most creeks are clearing. Top-water lures fished around the green bushes and points seem to work well. A Texas-rigged worm fished in 5 to 10 feet of water is working as well. Bluegill are spawning; try crickets in the back of pockets.

Lake Hamilton:

[Trader Bill's Outdoor Sports](#) said the water temperature is in the mid-70s. The water color is clear in some areas and muddy in others from rain. Carolina-rigged lizards or creature baits are working well. The top-water bite is picking up. Most people are finding schooling fish in the mouths of most major creeks. Bluegill are spawning and are easy to catch in the back of most pockets.

Lake Catherine:

Shane Goodner, owner of [Catch'em All Guide Service](#), reports that flood gates are open at Carpenter Dam in addition to heavy round-the-clock generation. Entergy and the Corps of Engineers are working together to schedule the proper times for each of our area lakes to reduce flood waters. This process will continue until Lake Ouachita is out of flood pool. Tailrace waters are clear, but moving fast with temperatures in the high 50s. Fishing has been poor because of these swift water conditions; however, some rainbow trout have been caught in areas that are somewhat protected from the current. Bank fishermen using nightcrawlers and redworms floated just off the bottom have taken a few trout. Wax worms and meal worms will entice strikes when used in clear water areas. Brightly colored Rooster Tails and crankbaits cast around visible structure will hook fish, but overall the bite is inconsistent. Until the heavy generation passes and periods of slack water resume, very few trout will be caught below Carpenter Dam. There is hope of salvaging the remaining months of the trout season

which will end in August when the majority of fish migrate away from the dam towards cooler water. Striper and hybrids thrive in the oxygen rich water with schooling activity to increase as the air temperature reaches into the 90s. Brood and gizzard shad fished under a balloon rig is the best technique for catching large stripers. Freshwater drum are still being caught by anglers using nightcrawlers and crawfish around shoal areas and the main channel.

Lake Hinkle:

Bill's Bait Shop (479-637-4719) said the water is normal and clear. The redear are biting well on crickets. The crappie are biting well on minnows. Some bass have been caught on crickets and minnows as well. Catfishing is good on trotlines baited with bream.

Lake Atkins:

Lucky Landing (479-641-7615) said the water is high and clearing. The bream are biting well on crickets, and catfish are biting anything. Crappie and bass are slow.

South Central Arkansas**Moro Bay:**

Moro Bay State Park at the junction of the Ouachita River, Raymond Lake and Moro Bay said the water level is falling very slowly. Rod-and-reel fishing of all kinds is difficult and water conditions are unsafe in the river for boating. The state park is closed. To stay updated on when conditions will return to normal you can check out the National Weather Service Web site at: www.srh.noaa.gov/lzk/.

Tri-County Lake:

The water is beginning to drop. Some anglers have made it to the water and are doing well on bass. Fishing is slow at first, but picks up at around mid-morning. Shallow crankbaits, finesse worms and top-water frogs are working well around any growing moss.

Ouachita River Oxbows:

High water continued to slow fishing last week.

East Arkansas**Arkansas River at Pine Bluff:**

The Tackle Box (870-534-1498) said the water is high and muddy. Bream are biting well on wax worms and crickets. There is no report on crappie. Bass are biting well on spinnerbaits. Catfishing is good on cut bait and skipjack.

White River:

Triangle Sports (870-793-7122) said the water is normal but greenish in color. The bream are biting in shallow water on worms, crickets and nightcrawlers. Crappie are not doing too well. Bass are biting well on plastic worms and jigs. Catfish are being caught on stinkbait.

Maddox Bay:

Maddox Bay Landing (870-462-8317) said the water is high and dingy, but falling. No report.

Bear Creek Lake:

Arkansas Outdoors (870-295-4240) had no report.

Island 40 Chute:

Daily's Boat Dock (870-739-3478) said the water is still very high. The area is too flooded for any fishing reports.

Horseshoe Lake:

Local angler Clyde Gregory said the water is high and clear. Bream are biting well in shallow water near cypress

trees on worms. Crappie are biting well near the piers on minnows and jigs. Bass are biting well in the shallow water on spinnerbaits and jigs. Catfishing is good on stinkbait, and cut bait.

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