

WELCOME

The Bureau of Land Management welcomes you to *your* public lands. These lands are managed to provide diverse benefits to the public. On BLM lands you'll find opportunities to hike, camp, hunt and fish. This map is one of four that cover the fishing opportunities throughout Wyoming.

This area of Wyoming offers many trout fisheries and hosts over a dozen species of game fish including walleye and channel catfish. In this area you'll find a variety of trout including rainbow, brown, lake, brook and cutthroat. Several trout species live in the high mountain lakes of the Wind River Range outside of Lander and Dubois and in the lakes of the Snowy and Sierra Madre ranges west of Laramie. One of BLM's sensitive species, Colorado River cutthroat trout, is also found in the high elevation country southwest of Rawlins.

The BLM and the Wyoming Game and Fish Department encourage you to enjoy your public lands but please respect the land, landowners, and other fishermen.



PUBLIC FISHING OPPORTUNITIES South and West Central WYOMING

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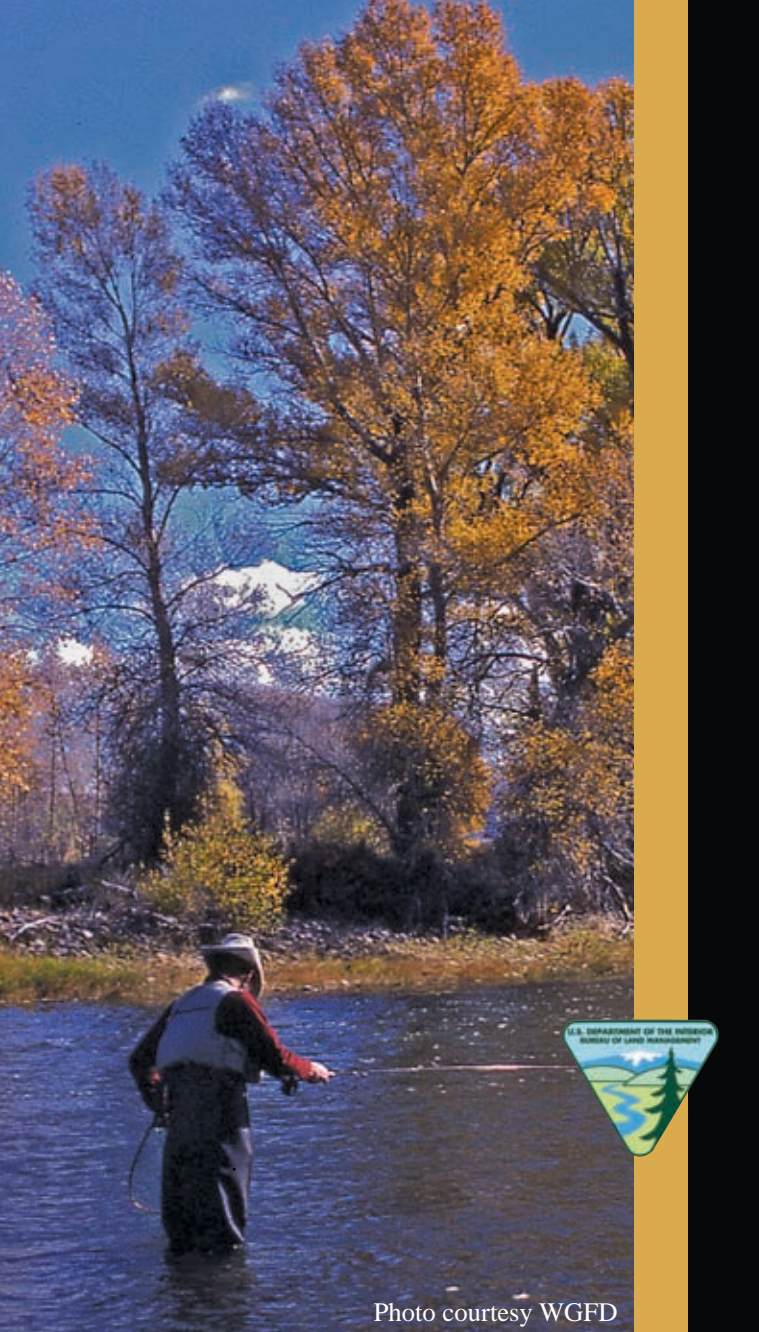


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Fishing Ethics

Private land:

- Be courteous to private landowners.
- Leave all gates as you find them.
- Obtain permission if you intend to build a fire, clear brush or drive off the road.

Catch and Release:

- If you plan to release a catch, return it to the water immediately, with as little contact as possible.
- Don't return a fish to the water if it's been stringered or creeled.
- Cut the line at the mouth if the hook is difficult to remove. It will degrade naturally without harming the fish.

Camping:

- Camp away from watering facilities used by wildlife and livestock.
- Pack all your trash out with you.
- Keep your campfire small.
- Make sure the fire is completely out before leaving the site.

Prevent the spread of invasive species:

- Invasive species are species that were removed from their native habitat and introduced either intentionally or unintentionally to a new ecosystem. Some of these species may have an ecological advantage over the native species and could disrupt the balance of the ecosystem. In Wyoming, the common carp, New Zealand mudsnail, and the whirling disease parasite have already disrupted many ecosystems. Everyone must take responsibility to ensure these species and others are not spread to even more areas. To prevent their spread:
 - Remove all visible mud, plants, fish, and other animals from your equipment.
 - Eliminate all water from equipment before you depart.
 - Clean and dry anything that came in contact with the water.
 - Do not release plants, fish, or other animals into a water body unless they came from that water body.
 - Avoid transferring anything wet (especially waders, boots, gear) from stream to stream.

License Requirements

- Fishing licenses are required for resident and non-resident anglers 14 years or older.
- Non-residents under 14 may need a license.
- Every licensee must have a conservation stamp. Daily licenses are exempt.
- A Free Fishing Day is held statewide every year on the first Saturday in June – no license or conservation stamp is required on this day.
- Refer to current Wyoming Fishing Regulations produced by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department for general rules, creel limits, fishing seasons, restrictions and exceptions to general provisions.
- If you plan to fish on the Wind River Indian Reservation, check with the Tribal Fish and Game Department for their fishing regulations.

Safety

- Leave a copy of your trip itinerary with someone.
- Be prepared with clothing for all weather conditions. Wyoming weather varies widely on any given day.
- Bring high-energy food.
- Bring plenty of drinking water.
- Keep your vehicle well-maintained, carry extra fuel and tools, and make sure the spare tire is in good condition.
- Bring a first-aid kit.

Disabled Anglers

- Several fishing sites have unrestricted access for disabled anglers. Check the map on the reverse side for specific locations.



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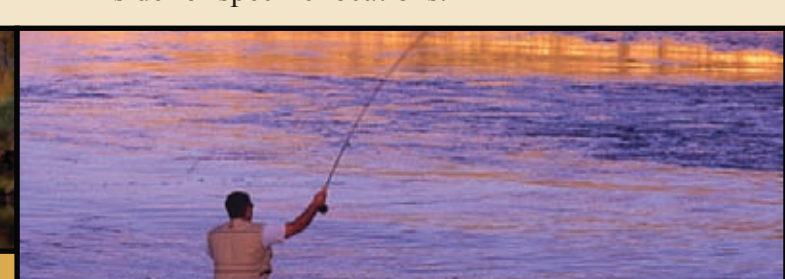


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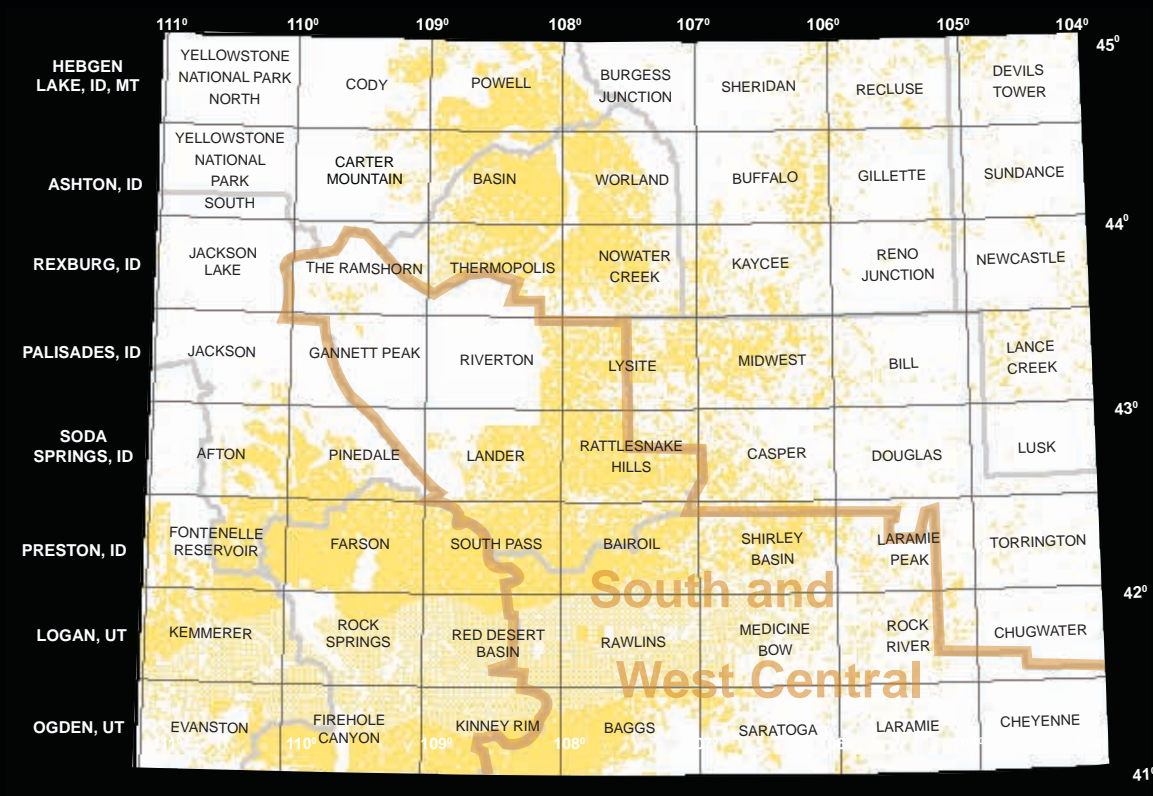
- Public lands can only be accessed by public roads or on routes with public easements.
- All federally administered public lands intersected by a public road may be used free of charge excluding fee areas.
- Public lands surrounded by private land may only be used with permission from the private landowner.
- Be sure to determine how to access the public land well in advance of your trip.
- Remember, in Wyoming, the edges and bottoms of bodies of water can be privately owned. In those places, don't walk or wade the shoreline to avoid obtaining permission to cross to public lands.
- Some lands along the North Platte River can only be accessed by floating down the river. There are metal signs along the North Platte which identify public land. Floaters will see blue signs as they enter public land and red signs as they leave public land.
- When in doubt, ask for permission!



Map Information

This map shows fishing access points in the south and west central portions of Wyoming. Refer to the other three maps for fishing opportunities throughout the state.

The BLM field offices in Lander and Rawlins have topographic maps available for a nominal fee. The maps show land ownership by section at a scale of 1:100,000.



BLM administered public lands



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Private Land

- Abide by Wyoming state law and always obtain permission before fishing on or crossing private lands.
- Remember, using private lands is a privilege, granted only by the landowner.
- If permission is granted then be as responsible and courteous on the private land as you would be on public land.



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NO POACHING!

Report any fishing violations by calling this 24 hour toll free number: 1-800-442-4331

Field Offices

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| <p>BLM
www.blm.gov/wy</p> <p>Lander Field Office
1335 Main
Lander, WY 82520
(307) 332-8400</p> <p>Rawlins Field Office
1300 North 3rd Street
Rawlins, WY 82301
(307) 328-4200</p> | <p>WGFD
www.gf.state.wy.us</p> <p>Lander Regional Office
260 Buena Vista
Lander, WY 82520
(307) 332-2688</p> <p>Laramie Regional Office
528 South Adams
Laramie, WY 82070
(307) 745-4046</p> |
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Tribal Fish and Game Department
(307) 332-7207

Other Reference Materials

- WGFD**
- Fishing Regulations: Wyoming Game and Fish Commission
 - Wyoming Fishing Guide
 - Wyoming Boating Guide

- BLM**
- Public Land Access
 - Go to BLM's recreation Web page for interactive fishing maps: < <http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/programs/Recreation/fishing.html> >

- Wyoming Travel and Tourism**
- Public Lands Recreation Opportunities

This map was developed by the Bureau of Land Management in cooperation with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.