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## EAGLE VALLEY RESERVOIR

History - Eagle Valley Dam was constructed on Eagle Valley Creek in 1965. The dam, constructed in a narrow canyon below several miles of meadow, created an impoundment of 61 surface acres. Eagle Valley Reservoir is located within Spring Valley State Park.

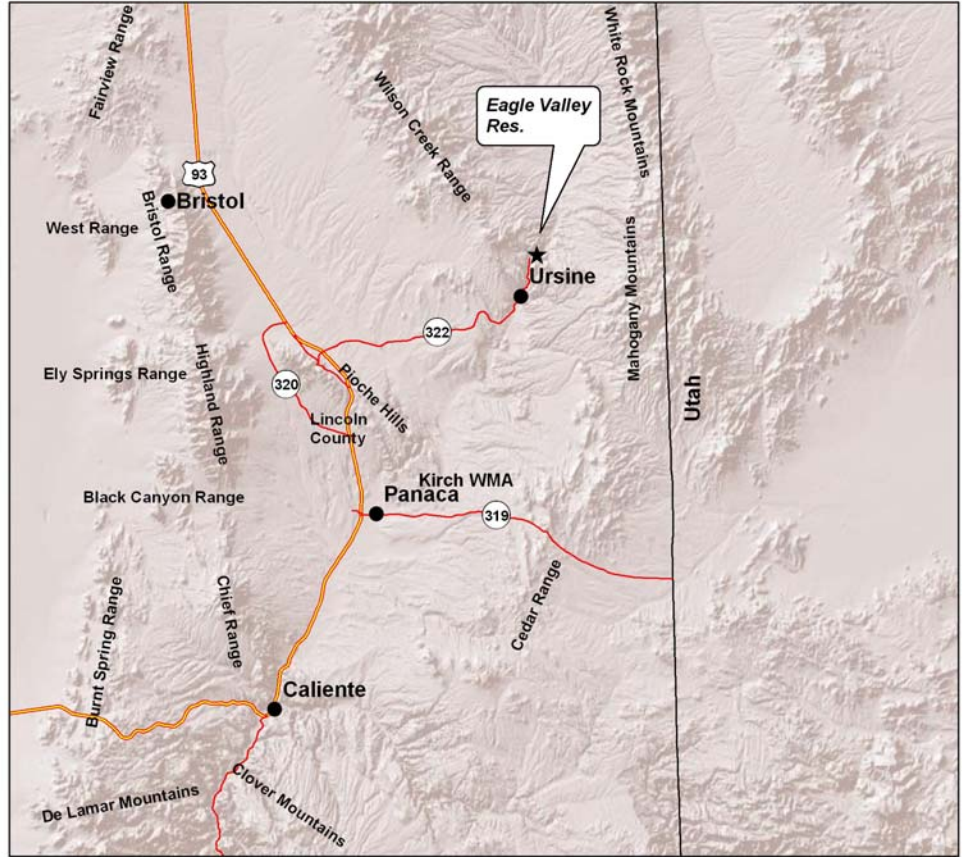
Pertinent Information - Eagle Valley Reservoir has a maximum depth of 43 feet. The fishery is made up of rainbow, tiger trout (brown trout x brook trout hybrid) and brown trout, which are stocked annually. Other fish in the reservoir include desert suckers, speckled dace and golden shiners. Crayfish are also present. The reservoir is managed as a put-and-take fishery. Recent angler questionnaire survey found an average catch rate of 4.19 fish per angler day. Past creel surveys found rainbow trout average about 10 inches, while the brown trout average nearly 11 inches. Best fishing months are April through June and September through October. Ice fishing is popular during cold winters. Camping - There are two campgrounds, one with 36 sites that include tables, grills and shade ramadas. This same area has three restrooms, two with showers. The overflow campground has 6 sites with tables, grills and deep pit toilets. Both campgrounds have access to water. Camping and day use is allowed year around. There are picnic tables, grills, a launch ramp and a fish cleaning station for day use. Fees for both day use and extended camping are posted in the park. Things To Consider - Summer temperatures range between 85° F and 45° F, while winter temperatures can drop below zero.

Stocking – Approximately 5,000 tiger trout (brown x brook cross) and 32,000 rainbow are scheduled to be stocked between March and June. In the fall, 7,000 rainbow trout are scheduled for stocking.

Regulations - General regulations prevail. Limit is 5 trout daily and in possession. Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night.

Biologist Forecast for 2009 - The reservoir is near full, but elevations usually decline by mid-summer. Fishing should be good in the spring and early summer, slowing in the late summer and picking up again in the fall. Aquatic vegetation can pose a problem during the summer. Fishermen can look forward to catching 8-10 inch rainbow trout with an occasional tiger trout or largemouth bass. Anglers fishing from a boat or float tube should do well.

Boating Regulations – General statewide regulations. However, vessels are prohibited in areas designated by signs or buoys at Eagle Valley Dam at Spring Valley State Park.



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Access - From Las Vegas, travel 21 miles north on I-15, then turn north on Highway 93 to Pioche, then east on State Route 322 (18 miles) to Spring Valley State Park and Eagle Valley Reservoir.