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FLOYD LAMB PARK

History - The Floyd Lamb Park is located within Floyd Lamb Park in the northwest part of the Las Vegas Valley. Frequently referred to as Tule Springs or Tule Springs Pond, this stocked fishing pond is one of a series of four ponds used for landscaping and irrigation. These ponds are constructed on the site of a historic pond and marsh complex that was used by Native Americans for thousands of years before the recent settlement of southern Nevada. The Tule Springs area was used, beginning in the 1930s, as a private guest ranch before being acquired as a public park. The park ponds are supplied by a combination of wells and artesian spring flows. They also serve as an island of habitat for other wildlife species.

Pertinent Information - Only the largest, uppermost pond is stocked with game fish, although, during high water levels, a few game fish may move into the middle series of ponds below. The entire shoreline of the upper pond is accessible for fishing except along parts of the west side where dense vegetation occurs. The upper pond is approximately 5 acres in size and has a maximum depth of about 15 feet. Water quality is generally good with spring flows helping to keep summer water temperatures down compared to other urban ponds in the valley. The pond is accessible for fishing during open park hours, but is closed during the times posted at the park entrances.

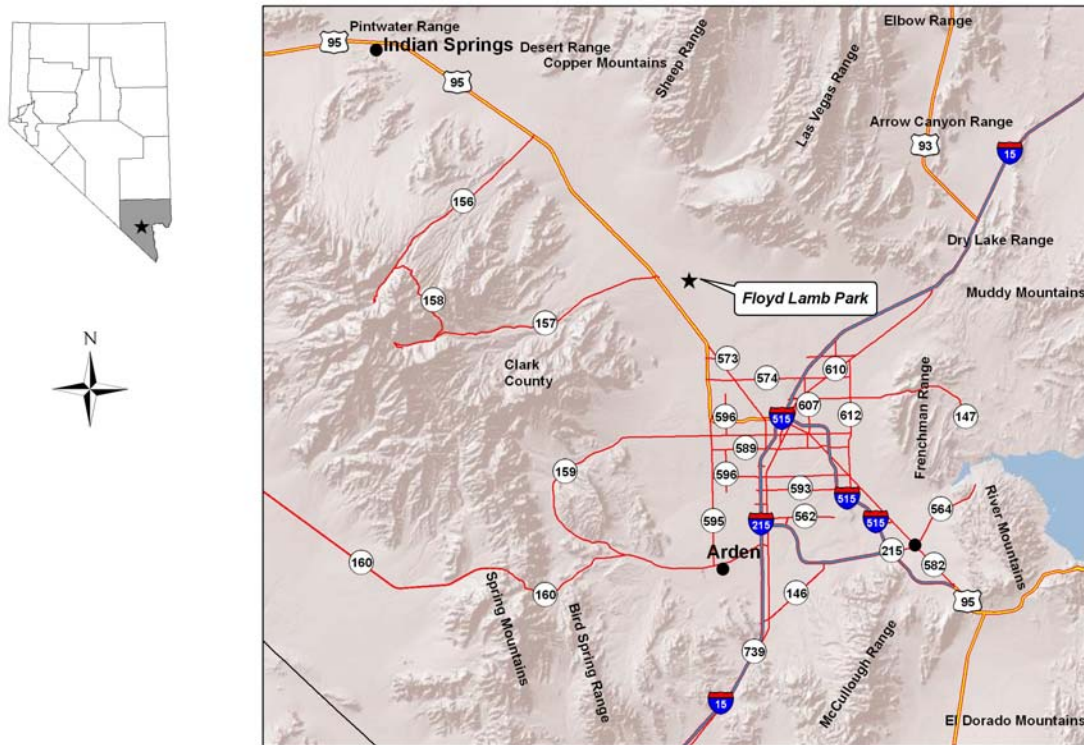
The primary game fish species in Floyd Lamb Park are rainbow trout and channel catfish. Catchable-sized fish of both species are stocked seasonally. Other species present include bluegill, redear sunfish, green sunfish, crappie and largemouth bass. These species are not regularly stocked, but fish habitat placed in the pond provides cover for reproduction and recruitment of the warm water fish species. This pond has produced several trophy fish, including a 20 pound, 28.5 inch channel catfish in 1996, a 1 pound, 10.75 inch redear sunfish in 1997, and the current state record green sunfish, measuring 12.5 inches long and weighing 1 pound 6 ounces caught in 1992. Small spinners, still baits such as salmon eggs, and fly fishing can all be effective for rainbow trout. Camping - No overnight camping is allowed at Floyd Lamb Park. Improved day use areas with shade shelters, picnic tables and barbecues are available on a first-come first-served basis, and group use areas are available through reservation.

Stocking - Floyd Lamb Park is stocked weekly with rainbow trout from November until March, and with channel catfish at least monthly from April through October. Water temperatures and other conditions can change this stocking schedule without notice. Stocking schedules, updated weekly, are available from the Lake Mead Hatchery hotline at (702) 486-6738.

Regulations – Season is open year around. Hours are when the park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

Boating Regulations - Boats and other flotation devices, including float tubes, are prohibited on Floyd Lamb Park.

Biologist Forecast for 2009 - Angling for stocked trout and catfish will be good throughout the year, generally for at least a week after each stocking. Trout are stocked between November and March and catfish from April through October. Slow angling for all species is common in late Spring and early Fall. The City of Las Vegas took over this facility in mid-year 2007, but stocking programs by NDOW will be continued.



Access - To reach Floyd Lamb Park, take the US 95 freeway north to Durango Drive and exit right, or to the east. Follow the brown signs to the park entrance, approximately 2 miles. The fishing pond is located on the main park access road in the northwest part of the park. Ample vehicle parking is available at the west end of the fishing pond.