

JAKES CREEK RESERVOIR

History - Jakes Creek Reservoir, also known as Boies Reservoir, is an irrigation impoundment developed in 1967. The reservoir is located on BLM and private lands but is entirely accessible to the public.

Pertinent Information – Jakes Creek Reservoir covers 62 surface acres, with a maximum depth of 16 feet. Rainbow Trout, Largemouth Bass, Channel Catfish, and an occasional native Redband Trout (from the upper drainage) are found in the reservoir. The average size of Rainbow Trout caught is about 12 inches, although larger fish are sometimes caught. Successful baits include nightcrawlers, salmon eggs, Power Bait, small spinners and spoons, and flies. Spring, early summer, and fall are the most productive times to fish for trout. The typical bass fishing lures such as spinner baits, crankbaits, and rubber worms prove successful, but they are generally caught in low numbers. The entire perimeter of the reservoir is fishable for all species and the eastside along the dam and northern shoreline offers the easiest access. As summer progresses, aquatic vegetation increases making fishing from shore difficult, but using a float tube or canoe helps to get out beyond the weeds. Typically, between December and March, this small reservoir freezes enough for ice fishing, with fair to good success for catching trout. There are no developed camping facilities and primitive camping space is limited.

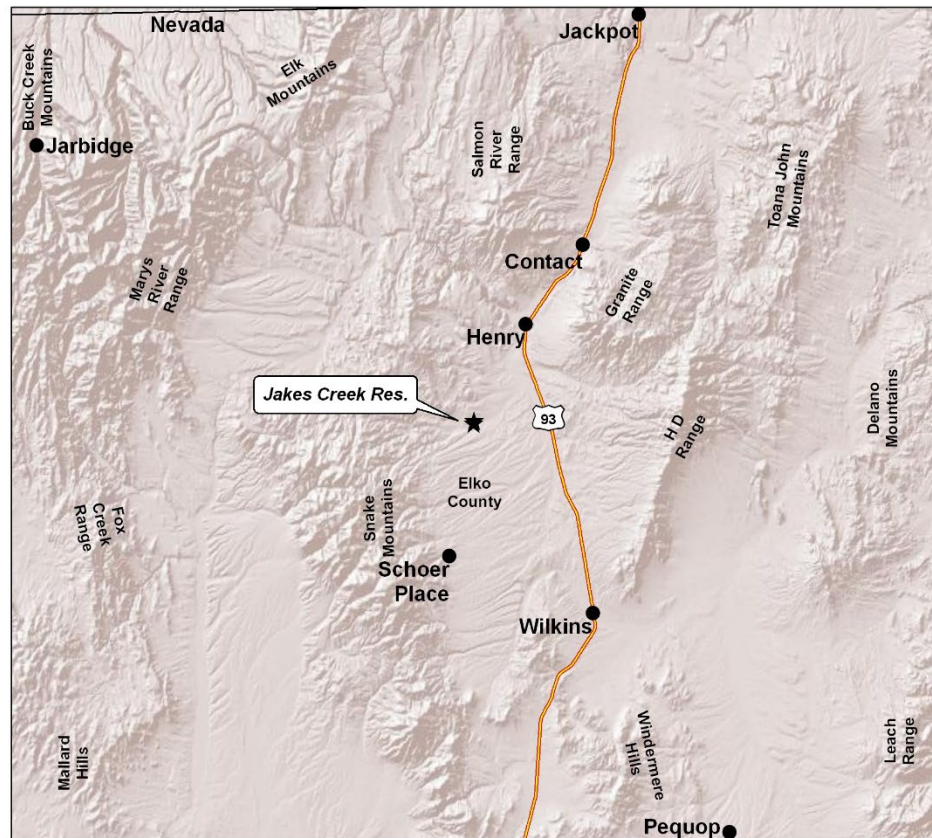
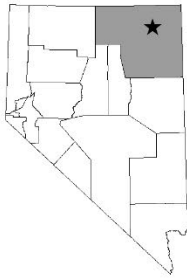
Stocking - Trout are stocked from spring to early summer and again in fall.

Regulations - Open year around, any hour of the day or night. The limit is 5 trout and 10 Largemouth Bass. The capture, possession, or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive or parts thereof, including commercially prepared and preserved baitfish is prohibited other than preserved salmon eggs. Aquatic bait may be used only in the water from which it is taken.

Biologist Forecast for 2023 - Fishing success should be fair to good for trout up to 18 inches and bass up to 12 inches. Following two years of low water, the bass fishing is rebuilding and will be dominated by smaller bass. Channel Catfish fishing has improved with fish up to 22 inches being caught. Fishing with shrimp near the inlet (beaver dam) in the spring has been successful. Water levels have increased through the winter and spring runoff should fill the reservoir. As is typical, the reservoir level will drop in late spring/summer and dense weeds may occur along the shore by the end of summer. Fishing, however, should continue to be good if suitable water levels persist.

Boating Regulations - A vessel must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake, but in no case may a vessel be operated at a speed in excess of 5-nautical miles per hour. There are no improved boat ramps and small boats, canoes, and float tubes are easiest to use.

Access - From Wells, travel north 36 miles on U.S. Highway 93 then turn west onto the O'Neil Basin County Road and travel 6 miles to the reservoir.



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DO YOUR PART – Stop Aquatic Hitchhikers

Clean – Remove all mud, plants, and animals from every part of your boat, trailer, and equipment (waders, boots, landing nets, gloves, etc.).

Drain – Before you leave the recreation area, eliminate all water from your equipment and boat including live-wells, ballast, hull, and engine-cooling water.

Dry – Allow time for your equipment (waders, boots, landing nets, gloves, etc.) and boat to dry completely before you enter or launch in any other waters.