

May 2010

# Delta Fly Fishers

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## President's Message by Stephen Johnson (the top dog in camp)

May, 2010

Edit: (April 29, 2010 late at night. The next person, who says a prayer for Rain, is going to be shot. Not a threat, just a statement of fact.)

Your truly drowned rat grumpy President.

My new drift boat sits in the parking lot; I am sitting in room 158 of the Best Western Motel on Barnett Rd in Medford, Oregon, (for the 3rd day in a row). My new Howell 7'9" bamboo fly rod sits in its case in the corner. Everything I brought for the trip is wet... no let me restate that ...soaked, the mutt says, "you go outside I'm just fine right here on the bed watching 3 inches of rain"...yes 3 inches in 2 hours.

Ladies and Gentlemen this is one serious rain storm for the last 48 hours, oh, yea my new (lap top) computer...well HP can go to H... if you can read between the lines. Imagine selling a fly fishing nut a NON-water proof computer...what were they thinking?

Don't even ask if I got any fish.

It's April 26th and I'm not slated to get out of here until Thursday morning and I know Doug (the newsletter Doug) is saying where in the heck is the Presidents Message? Sorry buddy, but I really did spend 1465 hard earned dollars on a new lap top so I could send these things in on time.

I hope some of you had a better Trout Opener than I did.

Lot's going on around the country regarding water issues, but I can say with total first hand authority Shasta Lake is full...to the max. The Sacramento River is running like someone lit it's fanny on fire...high and very fast, 5000cfs.

Things are looking up in the conservation water issues. Judge Wanger is spanking the water mongers of the south state pretty hard.

Books on the night stand this month...I'm catching up on the history of the Catskill Dry Fly (style) by reading about two of the most famous fly tiers in our lifetimes...

#1 Catskill Fly Tier, the life and times of Harry Darbee.

#2 "The Dettes" a Catskill Legend, the story of Walt, Winnie and their daughter Mary Dette Clark. Amazing reads about the originators of such dry flies as the Quill Gordon and Gold-Ribbed Hare's Ear Nymph to name just two.

Kate says it's slowing down a little (the rain), so I'm going to put on some wet socks and wetter boots and take her for a walk, wade and swim. See ya in a few days.

Oh almost forgot...some great things coming in a few days to Delta Fly Fishers web site...watch for it.

## DFF MENTOR PROGRAM

The Delta Fly Fishers Board of Directors, intent upon enhancing the existing Fishing Buddy Program, is proposing DFF adopt a Mentor Program which is proactive and broadly inclusive. The primary objective is, by sharing fly fishing skills and knowledge of existing DFF members with new members, this will assist new members in getting acquainted with existing members, with club activities and, generally speed the transition from new member to old friend.

The Board of Directors recognizes this will take considerable commitment from the existing membership and does encourage the active participation of current members. The following broad guidelines are thought to be necessary for this program.

- Every existing member willing to serve, as a Mentor will be asked to complete a skills/knowledge list that they will share with new members as requested. The Mentor Program Chairperson will maintain these documents.
- Every new member will be asked to complete a skills/knowledge request form, which the Mentor Program Chair will also maintain.
- The Mentor Program Chair will introduce any and all new members before the General Program begins and will make an effort to introduce the new members to DFF Officers and Board Members.
- Under consideration is the additional incentive for new members of some free raffle tickets.
- The Mentor Program Chair will follow up on matching a Mentor with a new member based on skills/knowledge sought and skills/knowledge available. The mentor and new member will work out a compatible schedule by which to transfer skills/knowledge. The Mentor Program Chair as needed can make reassignments.
- Examples of mentoring include such things as guiding a new member on local waters within a few months of assignment, accompany the new member to a local fly shop to assist with gear purchases, contact the new member a few days before each monthly meeting to remind the new member of the meeting and program, assisting with casting skills, how to tie useful knots and/or fly tying, sharing information regarding fly fishing destinations including basic travel tips and promoting new members to join DFF in its outings

Over time the Mentor Program may be extended to include existing members who want to learn new skills/knowledge.

Fishing Mentor Request	
NAME	_____
DATE	_____
PHONE CONTACTS: (1)	_____
(2)	_____
The best time to contact me is	_____
My E-mail address is:	_____
I WOULD LIKE A FISHING MENTOR TO HELP ME WITH ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Casting	<input type="checkbox"/> Fly Tying
<input type="checkbox"/> Attending Outings	<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment
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<input type="checkbox"/> Lake Fishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Trout Fishing
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<input type="checkbox"/> Bass Fishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Striper Fishing
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<input type="checkbox"/> Rod Building	<input type="checkbox"/> Selecting a Guide
<input type="checkbox"/> Travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Entomology
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	_____
Please describe what you would like help with _____	
If you need further information, please contact the Fishing Mentor Chairman: Steve Cooper, 956-1032 or e-mail @ <a href="mailto:repuoc3@sbcglobal.net">repuoc3@sbcglobal.net</a> Mail the form to: Delta Fly Fishers P.O. Box 77862 Stockton, CA 95207	



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## Wednesday Night Casting & Fly Tying



The weekly Wednesday evening fly casting sessions will continue through the Spring, Summer and Fall. Meet at the Nature Center, in the Oak Grove Park, at 6:30. The exception is the 2nd Wednesday night when DFF has its monthly meeting.

Whether you are a novice and want tips on how to cast or an expert that wants an excuse to get out of the house, then come out for the camaraderie of other members. This is an excellent chance improve your fly Casting and/or BS abilities. For more information contact Jim Rich at 477-6404.

There also will be opportunities for fly tying. For more information contact Joe Balderston at 474-8515.

### Do You Want To Get Your DFF Newsletter Sooner?

Did this picture of Fish Porn get your attention? DFF is working towards being able to send out DFF's Monthly Newsletter to our members electronically. By sending the Newsletter this way the DFF will be saving rising printing and postage costs that can then go towards our many programs. If you want to continue receiving the Newsletter by hard copy, (snail mail) there is no need to do anything.

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## Conservation

by Ron Forbes

Over six months ago Steve Johnson and I attended a meeting hosted by East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD). The purpose of the meeting was to explain EBMUD's plan to increase the amount of water available for their district by the year 2040. According to members of their board they had looked at three options. These included a desalination plant with aquifer storage below San Joaquin County, conservation and recycling goals and a proposal to increase Pardee Dam's storage capacity. It was obvious to those of us present that EBMUD had made up its mind, before the meeting, to move ahead with the Pardee Dam expansion plan and hadn't really given the other two options any serious consideration. This point was made clear when Steve pointed out that he could find the dam expansion proposal's Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on their website; however he could not find the other two options EIR's. He asked why they weren't available. Obviously at that point they didn't exist. However, members of their board didn't give Steve an answer.

Several days after the Lodi meeting, EBMUD had two more meetings in the foothills. Word was out on about the District's plans for the Mokelumne and the next meetings were attended by angry, overflow crowds. The groups protesting EBMUD's proposal came from three primary interests. These groups are the economic, recreational and environmental groups that will be severely hurt by EBMUD's plans expand Pardee. One of EBMUD plans proposes increasing Pardee's volume by 50%.

If EBMUD does get the Pardee expansion, these are some of the negative things that will occur to the Mokelumne River:

- It'll flood up to 4,000 ft. of the Mokelumne's Electra Run during periods of high flows. During low flows that section will be a dead area and the run will be lost.
- It'll flood the Middle Bar section of the Mokelumne. This will destroy fishing in this section and other recreational use such as white water sports.
- It'll flood a new area of construction for boat take outs, recreation and parking and river access.
- It'll start the process of Eminent Domain against local property owners and they will lose their land. Some of this land has been their's for generations
- It'll flood the historic Middle Bar Bridge which has just been restored and will require the construction of a new bridge.
- It'll destroy historic Native American sites which can't be moved or restored.
- It'll cut off an emergency route for those living in the area.
- It'll cause a large loss of income locally because of the loss of the Mokelumne River as a recreational site.

There are two plans to stop EBMUD. One plan is a lawsuit filed against the EBMUD by California Sport Fishing Protection Alliance, the Foothill Conservancy, and Friends of the River to protect the Mokelumne River. It's interesting that EBMUD knows how unpopular their plans are so they have asked for a change of venue from Amador County where they know they have no support. The case will be heard in the Sacramento Superior Court.

We at DFF can help the Mokelumne. The best way to stop EBMUD is to have the river declared a Wild and Scenic River. With this Federal designation EBMUD will not be able to build a dam or increase dam height a flood the areas of our concern. We need people to do this. Those of us in DFF have long considered the Mokelumne our river. We have a good and long history of support for the Mokelumne. The Foothill Conservancy is hosting a meeting to start the ball rolling to have the river declared a Wild and Scenic River. They need our help. The meeting will be held on May 10th at 6:00 at the:

Jackson Senior Center  
229 New York Ranch Rd.  
Jackson, Ca.

We need to show up in numbers to show our support of the river. Historically, EBMUD has shown an unabashed disregard for the Mokelumne's environmental health. This has been especially true of the trout, steelhead and salmon. We have shown our support in the past. Let's do it again.

And the beat goes on.....

Several weeks ago I went to Sacramento to show DFF's opposition to Assemblymember Fuller's anti-striper bill AB 2336. As you know her first bill was shelved after the opposition was overwhelming. She withdrew her first bill saying the issue needed more study. It was considered a total defeat for her and her move "to study the issue" was considered an attempt at face-saving.

After arriving in Sacramento we found that Jared Huffman, Committee Chairman, told Fuller that he would not support the bill. Her AB 2336 would have wiped out Stripers but she claimed she was doing this to save our Salmon from Striper predation. There is no scientific evidence to support her claim given the fact Salmon and Stripers have co-existed for over 130 years. She was supported in her claims by farm bureaus, the California Chamber of Commerce and the usual water districts. John Beuttler (CSPA's conservation director) and Dr. Tina Swanson of the Bay Institute represented our side of the issue before the committee. Both gave an excellent scientific response to Fuller's pseudo-scientific BS.

Eventually Huffman decided prior to the hearing that the opposition to AB 2336 was overwhelming. He had received over 100 opposition letters, over 45 letters from fishing groups, and during the oral opposition to the bill he got over 3,000 signed letters from the Outdoorsman. It was good to see Restore the Delta along with CSPA in attendance to support our position. Then over 100 of us stood and announced our opposition to Fuller's bill. Fuller was told that the Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee would not support her bill. In another face-saving attempt Fuller worked with Huffman and removed the all of the original anti-striper language from her bill before the committee meeting.

The meeting was an excellent example what we can do as a group to protect our sport. We should not take the defeat of AB 2336 as a total victory however. Huffman told Fuller that he would support her amendments and the issues of fishery decline by having the issues reviewed Delta Stewardship Council's Science Board. Given the politics involved we are not be out of the woods yet.

**DFF's May Outing  
One Fly Contest - Saturday May 8  
White Pines Lake**



The Delta Fly Fisher's Saturday May 8 outing will be to White Pines Lake near Arnold to participate in the Calaveras Fly Fishers One Fly Contest. This is a fundraising event sponsored by the Calaveras club to help fund a \$500 scholarship for a Bret Harte High School Student. For this an entry fee of \$25 will be charged which includes coffee and donuts in the morning and a tri-tip BBQ with all the fixings after the contest ends. Non-fishing guests may enjoy the food and refreshments for a \$5.00 fee. Registration starts at 7:30 am and ends at 8:30 am. Fishing contest begins at 9am and ends at 1pm.

Your One Fly: you can use any type fly as long as it is on a barbless hook; if you lose the fly or it becomes unrepairable, you are out of the contest and the fish you caught up to that time will count. You may continue to fish with your partner but, any fish caught after you are out of the contest does not count. Some minor repairs to your one fly are permitted.

A caught fish is one that you have netted and once verified by your partner, released unharmed. All contestants are expected to fish from some type of water craft on the lake. Winner's names will be inscribed on a plaque now hanging in White Pines Outdoors and will have all the bragging rights for the year!! There are two categories: Largest Fish, any species over 15 inches and most fish, trout only, no size restrictions.

Directions: Take Highway 4 to Arnold, turn left on Blagen Rd (just past the Chevron station) continue by the Ace Hardware and post office all on your left. Follow Blagen Rd for about 3/4 mile, going just past Hazel Fisher School on the left, turn left into the lake's main park/picnic area. Information: Contact Duke Duquette of the CFF 209-795-5124 or Grady Lee of the DFF 209-951-3623.

Those who want to have breakfast will meet at Rods Grill in Angels Camp 6:30am.

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Official coffee mug \$5.00

Also the club has a video library

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## Membership Meeting

May 14

Board Meeting

May 21

February Newsletter

The deadline for the

June issue is

May 25th

## May's Speaker - Mark Cottrell

Wednesday April 14



Our speaker for the May 12th meeting will be Mark Cottrell, who is a fly fishing guide from Sonora, Ca. He will speak on fly fishing the Stanislaus River and surrounding Lakes from Kennedy Meadows to Oakdale. Mark grew up in the Burney, Ca. area fly fishing Hat Creek, the Pit River and other trout waters in Northern Calif. He has tied commercially and taught fly tying for over 25 years. He has guided for 10 years, both for the Mother Lode fly shop and independently.



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## Foothills Anglers Group

A number of fly fishing clubs have come together to form the Foothills Anglers Group to represent them and other anglers during the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) relicensing of the American River watershed dams (French Meadows, Hell Hole and Oxbow dams). These dams feed numerous streams that come together in what is known as the Middle Fork of the American River (MFA) peaking reach where flows can fluctuate from 75 CFS to over 1000 CFS daily.

Our goal is to protect and maintain a healthy flow in the Rubicon, Duncan Creek, Long Canyon and the upper Middle Fork of the American River above Oxbow Dam. We are also determined to reduce the destructive peaking flows that occur on the MFA which studies show destroys that 99% of the spawning habitat. These studies also show that the peaking flows have a devastating impact on the food supply. We also understand the need to produce power and believe that power can be generated in a less destructive flow regime.

We would like your club to join us in our efforts to protect this valuable asset. Bill Carnazzo, who represents FFF, and Tom Bartos, who represents Horseshoe Bar Fish & Game Preserve, have been attending the FERC meetings over the last three years and have agreed to represent the Foothills Anglers Group at the meetings and in the negotiations. Regular reports will be completed and submitted to your club that can be used in your conservation efforts.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Tom Bartos / Bill Carnazzo  
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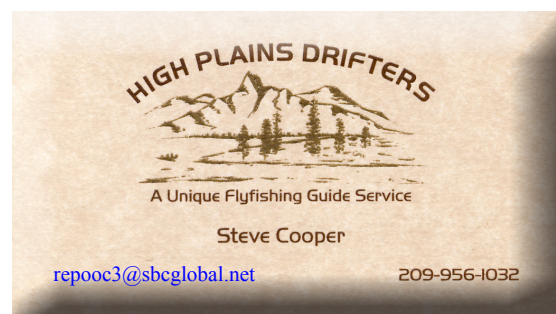
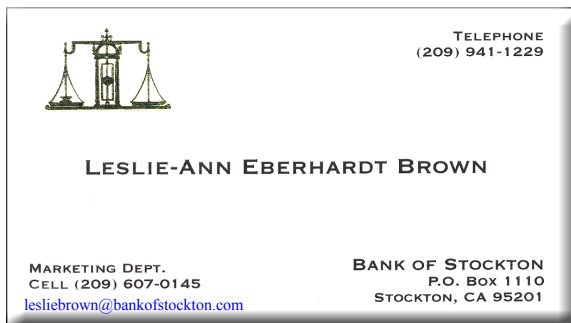
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Contact Bruce Rollans 209 274-0448.

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DFF has joined with Save Mart Markets via the S.H.A.R.E.S. program. DFF earns 3% of most purchases made by customers using the card provided to DFF by Save Mart.

Since the last report about our SHARES participation, the membership has responded to the need. The donations from SHARES for the past two quarters totaled approximately \$484.00. Thank you membership. We have an additional 50 SHARES cards coming that will be distributed to new members, family and friends. Continue to shop Save Mart Markets! There is no additional cost to you. It merely gives 3% to DFF that otherwise would go to market profit.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Every Wed (except meeting nights)	Nature Center Oak Grove Park Stockton	<b>WEDNESDAY EVENING TYING</b> Contact: Joe Balderston 649-0291 or Jim Rich 477-6404
Every 2nd Wed (except July & Aug) 7:00 PM	John R Williams School Stockton	<b>Membership Meeting</b> Contact Marty Kjelson 477-9618 John Keagy 369-5690
Every 3rd Wed (except July) 7:00 PM	Nature Center Oak Grove Park, Stockton	<b>Board Meeting</b> All Members Welcome
Wednesday May 12	John R Williams School Stockton	<b>May General Meeting</b> Mark Cottrell - Fly Fishing the Stanislaus River
Wednesday May 19	Nature Center Oak Grove Park, Stockton	<b>Board Meeting</b> All Members Welcome
Saturday May 8	White Pines Lake Arnold, CA	Annual One Fly Contest With the Calaveras Fly Fishers
Friday May 21	Ladds/Buckley Cove Stockton, CA	<b>The Delta Bass-n-Fly Challenge</b> Stockton Bass Club <a href="http://www.bassnfly.com">www.bassnfly.com</a>
Fri - Sun June	Lassen National Park	<b>May Outing Lassen Park Outing</b> Marty Kjelson 477-9618
Saturday, June 5	Oak Grove Park, Stockton	<b>Catfish Derby Earl Summers 957-6756</b>
Wednesday, June 9	Oak Grove Park, Stockton	<b>Annual Club Barbeque</b>
Fri/Sun June 18-20	Davis Lake Portola, CA	<b>June Outing</b>
Saturday July 10	Spicer Res., Union Res. or N. Stanislaus River	<b>July Outing</b>
Sunday - Saturday July 11-18	Owens Valley - Mammoth Lakes	<b>July Outing</b> Marty Kjelson 477-9618
August TBA	Upper Sacramento River McCloud River & Dunsmuir Area	<b>August Outing - Steve Johnson - 887-9255</b>
Friday-Sunday September 17-19	2010 Bridgeport Eastern Sierra Outing	<b>Earl Summers</b> 957-6756
Wednesday October 13	John R. Williams School	<b>2010 DFF Annual Pot Luck</b> Marty Kjelson 477-9618 - John Keagy 369-5690
Saturday October 16	Lake Alpine	<b>October Outing</b> Earl Summers 957-6756
Saturday November 6	Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta	<b>The Delta for Stripers</b>
Saturday November 20	Oak Grove Park, Stockton	<b>2010</b> Stockton Parks and Recreation Trout Bout



## Eastern Sierra Focus

By CJ Webb

### Fishing Conditions:

Again Mother Nature has deemed it necessary to continue to provide moisture right through April, 4th year in a row. The weather has been very unstable with some T-shirt days, then heavy winds followed by snow, clearing and the pattern repeats itself. Opening day was incredibly beautiful in the high country. Spring run off has started in some places and the flows are fluctuating with the temperatures on the rise. Hopefully it will improve conditions everywhere maintaining cool and abundant water through the summer.

The No-see-ums are still on hiatus in Baja chasing yellowfin, and mosquitoes are waiting for the blood bank to arrive.

Besafe if you cross streams and remember the water is extremely cold this time of year. Don't take chances unnecessarily, and keep a solar blanket in your fly/tackle vest and assess the flow and your physical ability to handle the water. Wading staff might be an option.

### Legislation and/or News

The DFG's Environmental Impact Report/Statement was final January 10, 2010 but the Pacific Rivers Council, et al, filed against the Department to check every body of water in the state looking for sensitive species. In the Eastern Sierra this meant making sure there were no willow fly catchers in the rivers, creeks or streams. The Department has been pro-active in doing the research to clear all waters in order to continue their stocking program. Go to this link for updated cleared waters:

<http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fish/Hatcheries/FishPlanting/Evaluation.asp>

**Fishing Report:** All waters above 8000' still frozen.

Remember to check the regulations prior to fishing unfamiliar water as to limits, size, and gear.

\*=cleared for stocking

\***ROCK CREEK** – The road is open with ice fishing the main activity and minimal water showing at both inlet and outlet. Resort plans to open Memorial weekend.

**HOT CREEK** – Road still is a bit muddy with some lingering snow. Breezy afternoons (always) midges in the am and dries in the afternoon. Blue wing olives are working great and the flow is up a little and the fish are moving everywhere according to Jeff Franke at Rick's Sports Center.

Please stay out of the water to prevent the spread of New Zealand mud snails.

\***CROWLEY** – Water is between 42-46 degrees and fish are spread out with no weeds. Lake is almost full and it was a good opener with a bit less than normal crowds.

\***UPPER OWENS** – Has been fair to good using midges #18-20, or small nymphs 16-18, you'll get some nice fish in the 18-20" range. Use a 2 fly rig and try new indicators, be adventurous. The section from the fish monument downstream to Crowley Lake is now open.

\***CONVICT** – Was also stocked with some brutes at the end of last season and again last Friday and provided some great angling on opening.

**MAMMOTH BASIN** – Is still under a lot of ice from 3 feet thick to as much as 8 feet according to Rick's Sport Center.

\***SAN JOAQUIN ROAD** – Plowing will not start until May 10th as usual, due to the number of skiers taking advantage of the great snow on the Mountain and has said they will try and stay open to July 1st depending on conditions. Check with Forest Service in Mammoth Lakes for an exact opening date.

\***JUNE LAKE** – Loop road opened 4.15.10, and June Lake marina got out their 40hp ice breaker and cleared about 1/3 of the lake for anglers. Tubing spots were hard to find with so little water and so many boats. Two stock trucks planted June Lake on Friday.

\***GULL LAKE** – Is 2/3rd ice free and produced some nice rod benders for the opener.

**SILVER LAKE** - Is mostly frozen with open water at the outlet, inlet and mouth of Alger Creek. The resort is in full operation and RV camping is available, but the campground is closed. The ice is breaking away from the shoreline around the entire lake. Rush Creek is in good shape but a bit high.

\***GRANT LAKE** – Is frozen and shoreline ice has melted giving anglers more areas to fish.

**TIOGA PASS** – Plowing started on April 15th and exact location of CalTrans from the east side is unknown. Lee Vining Chamber and newly appointed Mono County Supervisor Bob Peters have been working on a schedule start date for annual plowing, but it has always been determined by the winter snowpack. They are approx. 3 miles in at the 9 mile marker from Crane Flat.

See: [nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/tioga.htm](http://nps.gov/yose/planyourvisit/tioga.htm)

\***LUNDY Lake** – Road is open but the lake is frozen, and the resort plans to open Memorial weekend. Edison will finish the repair work on the dam and plans are in the works to complete before the trout season gets into full swing.

**VIRGINIA LAKES** – The road was plowed to Big Virginia on the 15th. The resort opens the 21st of May. The ice on Little Virginia is approx 55" and should hold until the temps rise. Ice on Big Virginia is approx the same.

**EAST WALKER** – Flow as of this writing is 114cfs and was 299cfs on March 30th '10. Loads of bugs showed with the warmer weather and this could prove to be the hot spot once the run-off starts. Try your arsenal and be ready for everything, top, bottom and 2 rig nymphs might get you into some nice fish.

\***BRIDGEPORT RESERVOIR** – Water is a bit off color and the Rez is filling. Water has been stocked DFG bows and literally a ton of big fish last fall. Some Alpers were also added for more excitement. The Bridgeport Fish Enhancement Foundation stocked catchable brown trout last fall and they made a showing over the weekend.

\***WEST WALKER** – Flow was 207cfs on 30th and currently is 460cfs. Quantity did not rule over quality from most of the reports. Try some nice attractors over San Juan worms around curves and flats. Water is off color and running high so try some flat water near the bridge.

**SONORA PASS** – Road crew is making progress, but subject to storm closure if conditions worsen.

**MONITOR PASS** – Opened April 17, but subject to storm closure.

See you on the water, CJ 10.4.26

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