

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

400 WEST KEMP AVENUE | WATERTOWN, SD 57201

Outdoor Report

The week of February 20, 2017

- HuntSAFE classes are available for registration online. http://gfp.sd.gov/outdoor-learning/hunter-education/ClassList.aspx
- Ice conditions have deteriorated, especially at the access areas and on the shorelines. Consequently, fishing pressure has been very slow this week.

Clark County



Fishing Report:

Reid Lake: Fishermen are still catching a few perch and walleye in 10 feet of water and deeper.

Cottonwood Lake: Fishing continues to be slow. Anglers are having to do some searching, but are still catching a few walleve and perch.

Indian Springs: Fishing continues to be hit or miss. Anglers continue to catch a few perch and walleye.

Swan Lake: A few nice walleyes are still being caught.

Dry Lake #2: Fishing is hit or miss. Anglers have to search for fish, but they are nice fish when they find them. Hough Slough: Fishermen continue to catch perch and crappies. The perch are primarily under 9 inches and the crappies range from 6 to 8 inches.



Hunting Report:

Light Goose: Geese have been moving into the area. Hunting pressure has been minimal for now.

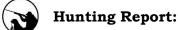
Codington County



🔈 Fishing Report:

Goose: A few walleye and perch being caught throughout the day. We recommend foot traffic only.

Kampeska: There's still some fishing pressure with good success on smaller walleye throughout the day. Anglers are still catching a mixed bag of perch and crappie as well.



Light Goose: A few geese starting to show up in the area. We expect that number to grow exponentially and offer some decoying and pass shooting opportunities toward the end of the week.

Day County



Fishing Report:

Bitter: Angler pressure has been minimal with a few perch and a large number of small walleye being caught.

Waubay: Minimal fishing pressure with anglers catching a few walleye and perch.

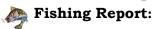
Enemy Swim: Anglers had decent success catching bluegill, perch and walleye.

Minnewasta: Anglers have caught a few perch, walleye and northern pike. There has been minimal fishing pressure.

Hunting Report:

Light Goose: Geese have been migrating through, but most birds remain further south. There has been minimal hunting pressure as of yet.

Hamlin County







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Lake Poinsett: Some perch are being caught. The perch we are seeing are very quality fish in the 11+ inch range. Most of the walleye are still under the 15 inch minimum. Crappies have also been caught lately. Ice conditions are holding up with access areas getting pretty bad.



Hunting Report:

Light Goose: Quite a few snow geese have shown up in the Bryant area offering up some good pass shooting and jump shooting opportunities. Decoying thus far has been tough, but we expect things to get better as more birds filter into the area this week.

Marshall County



Fishing Report:

Roy: Anglers are catching and spearing northern pike. A few anglers have reported catching some small perch and walleye.

Opitz: Anglers are catching some nice perch along with a few walleye, overall slow.

Clear: The bite has slowed down significantly. A few anglers have caught northern pike, bluegill and the occasional walleve.

White: Anglers are catching a few walleye and the occasional crappie.

North and South Buffalo: Anglers targeting northern pike and panfish are having good success. The anglers that are moving around seem to be having the best luck.



Hunting Report:

Light geese: Light geese are just starting to move into Marshall County.

