

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF GAME, FISH AND PARKS

400 WEST KEMP AVENUE | WATERTOWN, SD 57201



The week of March 4, 2019

• The South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks (GFP) has extended the deadline for when anglers must remove their fish houses from South Dakota lakes. Anglers will have to remove their fish houses, shelters or other structures by midnight, Sunday, March 10.

Aberdeen Area

Fishing Report



Richmond: Anglers are catching walleye and perch. The perch bite is better during the day and the walleye bite is better in the evening.

Elm: Anglers are catching walleye and northern pike. The walleye bite is an evening bite.

Mina: Anglers are catching walleye and perch.

Anderson Slough: Anglers are catching perch in the 7-10 inch range.

Cottonwood: Anglers are catching walleye and perch. The bite has been inconsistent.

Clark County

Fishing Report

Lots of snow across Clark County is making travel very difficult. It has been pretty limited to tracked vehicle travel only.

There is still a little fishing activity on Reid, Dry 2 and Indian Springs.

Codington County

🔈 Fishing Report

Due to snow depths on area lakes, travel is not advised, unless using a tracked machine. Blythe: Fishermen are catching walleye (most of which are less than 13 inches) and a few perch.

Day County

🔈 Fishing Report

No travel advised on any Day County lakes unless you have a tracked vehicle. Due to high snow amounts, activity has been very slow on all area lakes.

Hamlin County

n Fishing Report

Poinsett: Fishermen are still picking up a few walleye and perch. Traveling around on the ice has been difficult.

Marshall County



Travel on area lakes is difficult, tracked transportation of some type is highly recommended.

Roy: A few anglers are walking out and catching northern's and small perch.Clear: Anglers have caught some nice panfish and the occasional walleye.White: A few anglers are walking out catching a few crappie.Six mile: A few anglers have found some northern's.





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Park Report:

- Join us at **Hartford Beach State Park** for an afternoon of winter fun! On March 3, we will have trails ready for cross-country skiers and snowshoers of all ages and skill levels. Snowshoes and skis will be provided, but feel free to bring your own as quantities and boot sizes will be limited. Games, crafts and snacks will be ready to go in the shop to warm up. This event starts at 3:00pm and goes until 6:00pm. Park entrance license is required.
- **Richmond/Mina**: As the weather warms up, come enjoy the beautiful parks near Aberdeen. The cross country ski trails on Forest Drive are groomed, and the sledding hill at the Wolves Prairie Trail Area has plenty of snow for sledding.
- Operation Adventure: Snowshoeing at **Pelican Lake Recreation Area**. Join us at Pelican Lake Recreation Area for outdoor adventures for youth ages 9-15. Every other Thursday evening from March 7th to May 16th, we will have a different outdoor adventure happening in the park from 5:30-7:00 p.m. We will begin with an educational lesson followed by hands on activities and games involving outdoor recreation opportunities like archery, snowshoeing, fishing and more! All equipment is provided. Park Entrance license is required.
- Stop in to your local Game, Fish and Park office for your 2019 Park Entrance License needs.
- With **Snowmobile Trail** season here try out the **GFP app** for maps and current updates.
- Snowmobiling season goes through March 31, 2019 with over 1,500 miles of **Snowmobile Trails** in South Dakota. For more information on license fees, registration procedure and where to snowmobile visit the snowmobiling webpage at https://gfp.sd.gov/snowmobiling.
- Check out the event calendar at <u>https://gfp.sd.gov/events/</u> to see other events happening near you!

