

Fishing in Pagosa Lakes

The Pagosa Lakes Property Owners Association owns and manages four lakes as private recreational fisheries. The lakes include Hatcher Lake, Lake Pagosa, Village Lake and Lake Forest. They range in size from 29 surface acres to 133 surface acres. All four lakes are stocked with rainbow trout, largemouth bass and crappie. Hatcher Lake is also stocked with brown trout and Lake Pagosa is stocked with cutbow trout, a rainbow/cutthroat hybrid. Other species in the lakes include yellow perch, green sunfish and bluegill (no catch limits on these three species). The lakes have been stocked with white amur grass carp to help control aquatic vegetation, if you catch one of these please release it immediately.

An Association fishing permit for property owners and their guests is required to fish the lakes. Permits are available at the Recreation Center or at the Administration Office. Annual permits go on sale January 1st of each year and are valid through December 31st. Weekly and daily permits are also available. Maps of the lakes and fishing tip information are available at the counter.

State fishing licenses are NOT valid for our privately owned lakes.

Refer to the Neighborhood Rules and Regulations for all fishing requirements. You will find this information under the Governing Documents section of this handbook.