

SMALLMOUTH BASS TRANSFER WORK PLAN

ROOSEVELT TO APACHE LAKE (Details)

We will be basing our operations out of the dock by the Sheriff's substation at Roosevelt Lake on November 11-12, 2006. Our holding nets for the smallmouth bass will be tied to the docks so that anglers can deposit fish anytime during the two day event.

Anglers wishing to participate in catching smallmouth for the Department destined for transfer to Apache Lake must check-in and sign up with a member of the Department Fisheries staff. They will be given an authorization "permit" that will exempt them from size and bag limit restrictions for smallmouth while acquiring fish for the project. Fisheries personnel will be available for signup at the Sheriff's dock Saturday morning (Nov 11) 8-10 am, noontime 12-1 and 4-5 pm in the afternoon. We'll be there for Sunday morning (Nov 12) signup 8-10 am.

Monterey Bass will be holding a tournament out of the Grapevine area of Roosevelt Lake and has graciously consented to contributing smallmouth to the transfer effort by giving the Department all smallies brought into the weigh-in. As such we will attend their weigh-in at 3:30 pm on Friday and 2:30 pm on Saturday in hopes of obtaining additional smallmouth bass for the transfer project.

Department electrofishing crews will be collecting smallmouth bass during the evenings of Friday (Nov 10) and Saturday (Nov 12). Unfortunately crews have already been assigned and there are no available spots aboard these boats for angler volunteers at this time.

We will transfer smallmouth bass from our holding cages at Roosevelt Lake to Apache Lake on Saturday afternoon (~ 4:00 pm) and on Sunday afternoon (~ 1:00 pm). The first batch will go to the Burnt Corral area and the second to the main Marina area.

For further information or clarification, please contact me at the phone number/email listed below. Thanks in advance to any and all anglers wishing to help with this project to conserve and enhance your smallmouth resources at Apache Lake.

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