

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

The North Shore spring creel survey has been conducted annually on 17 tributaries along the Minnesota shore of Lake Superior (since 1992), and McQuade Harbor (since 2010). The spring creel survey collects information on fishing pressure, catch and catch rates that aid in the management of the Rainbow Trout fishery in Minnesota waters of Lake Superior. The spring creel survey begins when rivers are free of ice and creel clerks observe anglers fishing in tributaries. Three creel census clerks conduct angler interviews from March through late-May. Your input and cooperation is greatly appreciated if a creel clerk approaches you for an interview. Fishing reports are posted on Mondays and Fridays on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries website at <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/management.html>. You can also call the MNDNR North Shore Weekly Fishing Report Hotline at 218-302-3293.

### Weekly Fishing Report Update:

\*Spring creel surveys in all creel zones started on April 6 and ended on May 19, 2019.

\*The Knife River adult fish trap was opened on April 5, 2019 – and the French River adult fish trap was opened on April 25, 2019.

May 17-19, 2019	Lower Shore	Middle Shore	Upper Shore
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	50 (48-55)	46 (40-50)	46 (44-49)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable / Rising	Stable / Rising	Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average / High	Average / High	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly Turbid / Turbid	Slightly Turbid / Turbid	Slightly Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	9	21	27
Total Reported Catch:	5	17	6
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	2	14	5
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	3	0	1
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	3	0
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<i>Lower Shore</i> : Lester, McQuade Harbor/Talmadge River, French, Sucker, and Knife rivers			
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<i>Upper Shore</i> : Cross, Temperance, Poplar, Cascade, Devil Track, Kadunce, and Brule rivers			

**Smelt:** Smelting activity has continued this week with fish present at rivers along the North Shore- however, numbers are decreasing by the day. **Regulations reminder:** *Live smelt may not be possessed or transported.* The “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website provides more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 21, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 407 (excludes within year recaptures)  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 60 (excludes within year recaps)  
Brook Trout: 4

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations Catch Totals (as of May 21, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 76  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 254  
Coho salmon: 1

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May 13-16, 2019	Lower Shore	Middle Shore	Upper Shore
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	54 (51-58)	53 (51-57)	49 (47-52)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Falling	Falling	Steady/falling
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average	Average
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Clear	Slightly Turbid	Slightly Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	22	24	21
Total Reported Catch:	7	12	13
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	4	11	11
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	3	0	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	1	2
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	0	0	0
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### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 16, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 390 (excludes within year recaptures)  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 55 (excludes within year recaps)  
 Brook Trout: 2

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations Catch Totals (as of May 16, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 76  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 251  
 Coho salmon: 1

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May 10-12, 2019	Lower Shore	Middle Shore	Upper Shore
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	45 (38-52)	45 (42-49)	45 (43-49)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Falling	Falling	Stable / Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average / High	Average / High	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly Turbid	Slightly Turbid	Slightly Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	51	36	18
Total Reported Catch:	14	24	4
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	7	20	1
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	6	0	2
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	1	4	1
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	0	0	0
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***Smelt:*** THE SMELT RUN IS ON!! Many smelt are being captured at Park Point and near river mouths. Regulations reminder: Live smelt may not be possessed or transported. The “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website provides more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 13, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 386 (excludes 77 within year recaptures)  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 51 (excludes 9 within year recaps)  
 Brook Trout: 2

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations Catch Totals (as of May 13, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 76  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 249  
 Coho salmon: 1

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

May 6-9, 2019	Lower Shore	Middle Shore	Upper Shore
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	43 (41-46)	40 (38-45)	40 (38-42)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Rising	Rising	Stable / Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	High	High	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Turbid	Slightly turbid / Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	43	10	15
Total Reported Catch:	30	7	10
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	13	7	10
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	14	0	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	2	0	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	1	0	0
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***Smelt:*** Ice finally left Park Point shoreline this week and allowed seining opportunities. Water temperatures in rivers decreased again this week following a record breaking 10+ inches of snow. Smelt have been captured near river mouths in the lower and middle shore, and smelt have not been reported in the upper shore. Catch reports there were mixed with some doing well and others not. Refer to the “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website for more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### ***Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 6, 2019)***

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 368 (*excludes 65 within year recaptures*)  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 44 (*excludes 9 within year recaps*)  
 Brook Trout: 1

### ***French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations Catch Totals (as of May 6, 2019)***

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 69  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 228  
 Coho salmon: 1

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<b>May 3 - 5, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	49 (44-54)	48 (43-50)	39 (36-41)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable	Stable	Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly turbid / Clear	Slightly turbid / Clear	Slightly turbid / Clear
Anglers Interviewed:	90	68	25
Total Reported Catch:	48	32	9
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	28	23	8
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	10	4	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	8	5	1
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	2	0	0
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***Smelt:*** Ice remains piled up along Park Point and limits seining opportunities. Water temperatures in rivers increased substantially over the weekend and decent numbers of smelt were captured near river mouths in the lower and middle shore. No reports yet of smelt captured in the upper shore. Refer to the “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website for more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### ***Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 6, 2019)***

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 348 (*excludes 56 within year recaptures*)  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 41 (*excludes 9 within year recaps*)

### ***French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations Catch Totals (as of May 6, 2019)***

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 59  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 189

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<b>April 29-May 2, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	38 (37-40)	35 (33-38)	37 (36-39)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable	Stable	Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly turbid / Clear	Slightly turbid / Clear	Slightly turbid / Clear
Anglers Interviewed:	51	25	7
Total Reported Catch:	24	36	1
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	19	30	0
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	4	1	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	1	5	1
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	0	0	0
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***Smelt:*** Ice remains piled up along Park Point and limits seining opportunities for smelt. Water temperatures in Lake Superior and rivers remained cold all week. Refer to the “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website for more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of May 3, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 283 (*excludes 25 within year recaptures*)  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 29 (*excludes 7 within year recaps*)

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (as of May 3, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 46  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 154

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<b>April 26-28, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	41 (40-43)	40 (37-42)	38 (37-41)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable / Rising	Stable / Rising	Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average / High	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly turbid	Slightly turbid	Slightly turbid / Clear
Anglers Interviewed:	98	86	31
Total Reported Catch:	29	74	2
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	17	57	2
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	9	13	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	2	4	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	1	0	0

(\*) Average conditions among rivers within each shore zone. Individual rivers may vary.

*Lower Shore* : Lester, McQuade Harbor/Talmadge River, French, Sucker, and Knife rivers

*Middle Shore* : Stewart, Silver, Gooseberry, Split Rock, Beaver, and Baptism rivers

*Upper Shore* : Cross, Temperance, Poplar, Cascade, Devil Track, Kadunce, and Brule rivers

***Smelt:*** Smelt were targeted by a few at or near river mouths over the weekend, but catch reports are unknown. Ice remains piled up along Park Point and limits seining opportunities. Lake and river water temperatures remain relatively cold with little chances of temperature changes this week. Refer to the “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website for more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (as of April 29, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 275  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 31

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (as of April 29, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 38  
 Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 138

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

<b>April 22-25, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	40.5 (38-43)	38 (36-42)	34 (32-36)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Falling	Falling	Falling / Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average	Average
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Slightly turbid	Slightly turbid	Slightly turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	65	29	7
Total Reported Catch:	13	9	0
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	7	7	0
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	5	1	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	1	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	1	0	0
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<i>Lower Shore</i> : Lester, McQuade Harbor/Talmadge River, French, Sucker, and Knife rivers			
<i>Middle Shore</i> : Stewart, Silver, Gooseberry, Split Rock, Beaver, and Baptism rivers			
<i>Upper Shore</i> : Cross, Temperance, Poplar, Cascade, Devil Track, Kadunce, and Brule rivers			

***Smelt:*** There have been no reports of smelt activity in Minnesota waters of Lake Superior. Lake and river water temperatures remain relatively cold and ice remains piled up on the western shores of Lake Superior. Refer to the “Smelt on the North Shore” fact sheet on the Lake Superior Area Fisheries Office website for more information on smelting in Lake Superior (<http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/areas/fisheries/lakesuperior/smelt.html>).

### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (April 5-26, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 245  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 23

### **French River Adult Trap – Catch Totals (April 5-26, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 10  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 25

\* Total only includes fish captured in adult trap on April 25-26. Seining operations will begin Monday, April 29.



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<b>April 19-21, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	36 (32-40)	37 (32-39)	33 (31-34)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Rising	Rising	Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	High	High	Average / High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Turbid	Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	95	47	44
Total Reported Catch:	14	7	7
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	9	4	6
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	4	1	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	2	1
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	1	0	0

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### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (April 5-22, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 82  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 2

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (April 5-22, 2019)**

*Not yet operated in 2019. Awaiting more ideal river conditions.*

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

<b>April 15-19, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	37 (36-42)	34 (33-35)	33 (31-34)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Rising	Rising	Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	High	High	High
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Turbid	Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	72	29	4
Total Reported Catch:	14	8	0
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	13	4	0
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	1	1	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	2	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	0	1	0

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### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (April 5-18, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 41  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 1

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (April 5-19, 2019)**

*Not yet operated in 2019. Awaiting more ideal river conditions.*

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

<b>April 12-14, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	33 (32-34)	33 (33-34)	33 (33-34)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable	Stable / Falling	Stable
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	Average	Average	Average
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Slightly Turbid / Clear	Slightly Turbid / Clear
Anglers Interviewed:	57	25	12
Total Reported Catch:	9	0	1
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	8	0	1
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	1	0	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	0	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	0	0	0
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### ***Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (April 5-15, 2019)***

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 15  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 0

### ***French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (April 5-15, 2019)***

*Not yet operated in 2019. Awaiting more ideal river conditions.*

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<b>April 8-11, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	33 (33-34)	33 (33-34)	33 (33-34)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Stable / falling	Rising	Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	High	Average / High	Average
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Turbid	Slightly Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	29	8	3
Total Reported Catch:	16	4	0
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	6	3	0
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	8	0	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	0	1	0
<i>Brown Trout:</i>	0	0	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	2	0	0
Round Whitefish:	0	0	0
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### **Knife River Adult Trap Catch Totals (April 5-11, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 6  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 0

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals (April 5-11, 2019)**

*Not yet operated in 2019. Awaiting more ideal river conditions.*

## 2019 North Shore Weekly Fishing Report

<b>April 6-7, 2019</b>	<b>Lower Shore</b>	<b>Middle Shore</b>	<b>Upper Shore</b>
*Water Temperatures (°F)[avg. & range]:	34 (34-36)	33 (33-34)	33 (33-34)
*River Stage (falling / stable / rising):	Rising	Rising	Rising
*Water Levels (low / average / high):	High	Average / High	Average
*Water Clarity (turbid / slightly turbid / clear):	Turbid	Turbid	Slightly Turbid
Anglers Interviewed:	61	12	2
Total Reported Catch:	9	2	0
<i>Steelhead Rainbow Trout:</i>	3	1	0
<i>Kamloops Rainbow Trout:</i>	2	0	0
<i>Brook Trout:</i>	1	1	0
<i>Brown Trout:</i>	0	0	0
<i>Coho Salmon:</i>	2	0	0
Round Whitefish:	1	0	0
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### **Knife River Adult Trap – Catch Totals by Species (April 5 – April 8, 2019)**

Steelhead Rainbow Trout: 0  
Kamloops Rainbow Trout: 0

### **French River Adult Trap and Seining Operations – Catch Totals by Species (April 5 – April 8, 2019)**

*Not yet operated in 2019. Awaiting ice breakup and more ideal river conditions.*