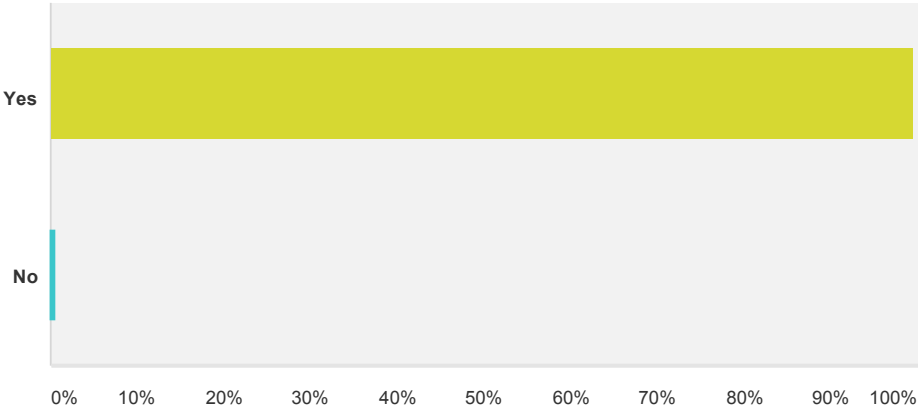


# 2016 Scofield Reservoir Angler Survey Results

## Q1 Would you be willing to participate in this survey?

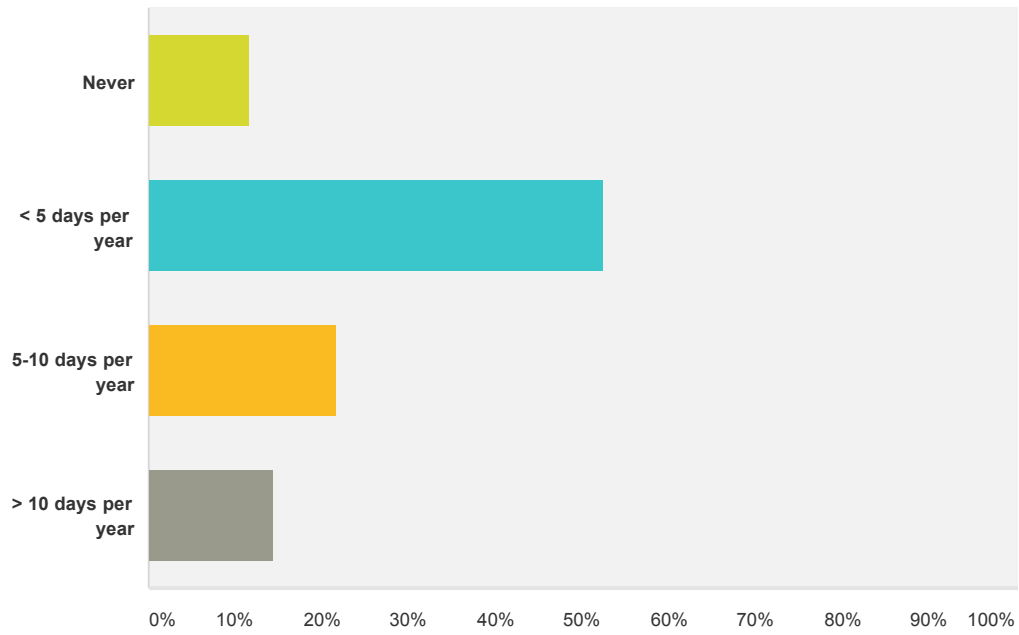
Answered: 2,523 Skipped: 5



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	99.29%	2,505
No	0.71%	18
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,523</b>

## Q2 How often do you fish Scofield Reservoir?

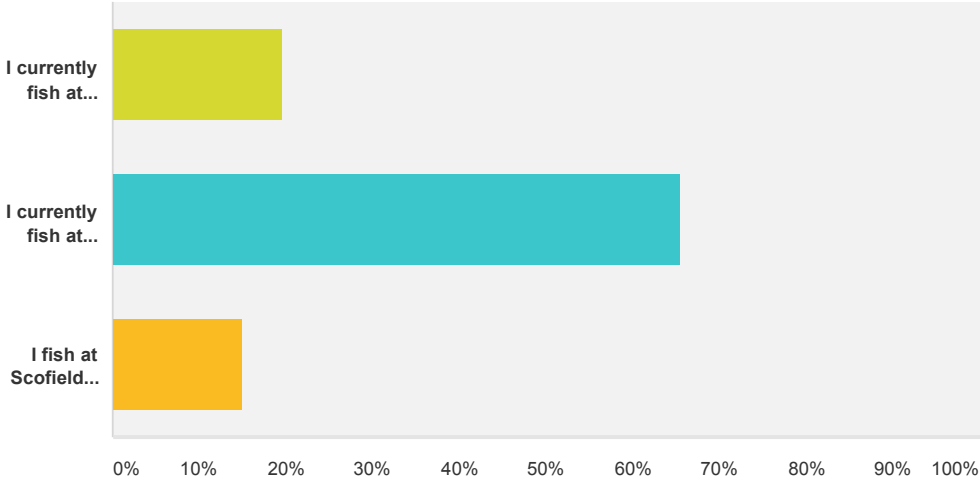
Answered: 2,474 Skipped: 54



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Never	11.64%	288
< 5 days per year	52.30%	1,294
5-10 days per year	21.75%	538
> 10 days per year	14.31%	354
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,474</b>

### Q3 Do you currently fish at Scofield Reservoir more or less than you did 10 years ago?

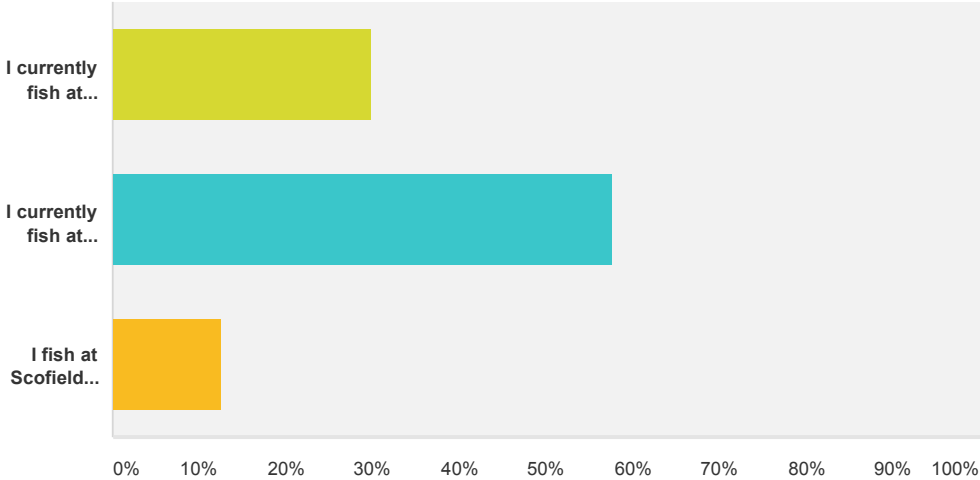
Answered: 2,140 Skipped: 388



Answer Choices	Responses
I currently fish at Scofield Reservoir more than I did 10 years ago	19.63% 420
I currently fish at Scofield Reservoir less than I did 10 years ago	65.28% 1,397
I fish at Scofield Reservoir the same amount as I did 10 years ago	15.09% 323
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,140</b>

### Q4 Do you currently fish at Scofield Reservoir more or less than you did 20 years ago?

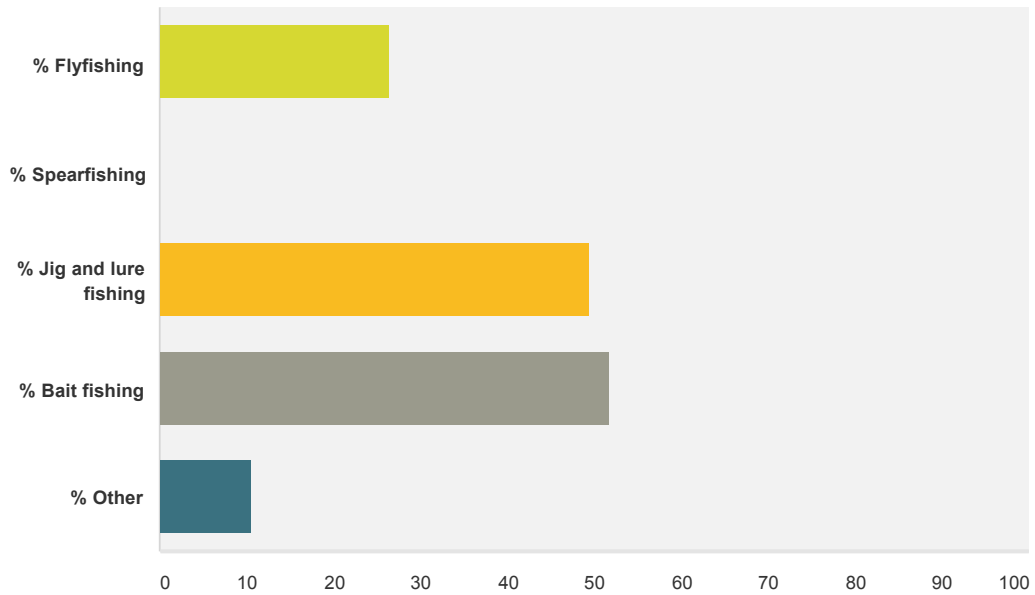
Answered: 2,102 Skipped: 426



Answer Choices	Responses
I currently fish at Scofield Reservoir more than I did 20 years ago	29.88% 628
I currently fish at Scofield Reservoir less than I did 20 years ago	57.66% 1,212
I fish at Scofield Reservoir the same amount as I did 20 years ago	12.46% 262
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,102</b>

## Q5 What percentage of the time do you fish Scofield using the following techniques?

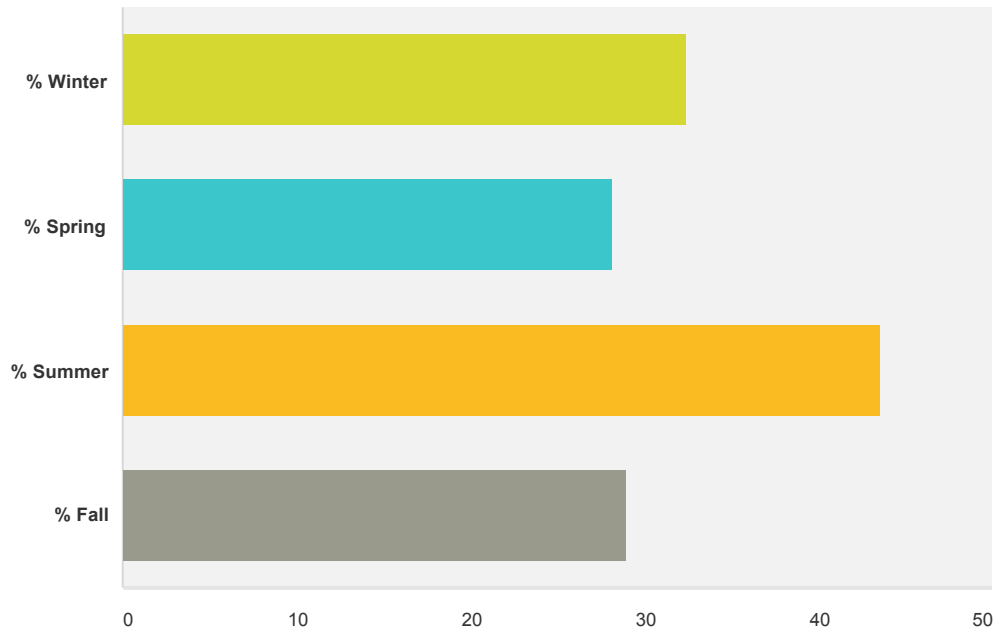
Answered: 2,158 Skipped: 370



Answer Choices	Average Number	Responses
% Flyfishing	27	1,249
% Spearfishing	0	792
% Jig and lure fishing	49	1,725
% Bait fishing	52	1,761
% Other	11	570
<b>Total Respondents: 2,158</b>		

## Q6 What percentage of time do you spend fishing at Scofield Reservoir during the following seasons?

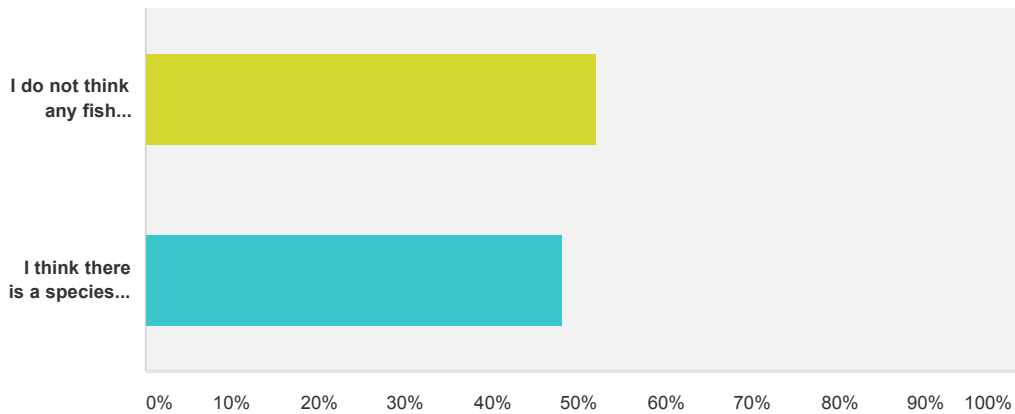
Answered: 2,102 Skipped: 426



Answer Choices	Average Number	Responses
% Winter	32	1,419
% Spring	28	1,544
% Summer	44	1,713
% Fall	29	1,582
<b>Total Respondents: 2,102</b>		

**Q7 Is there one fish species not currently in the Scofield Reservoir fishery that you think (1) would perform well in the fishery, (2) not harm the existing sport fish populations in the reservoir, and (3) be highly valued by anglers?**

Answered: 2,030 Skipped: 498



Answer Choices	Responses
I do not think any fish species would meet these three criteria in Scofield Reservoir	51.92% 1,054
I think there is a species that would meet these criteria and that species is...	48.08% 976
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,030</b>

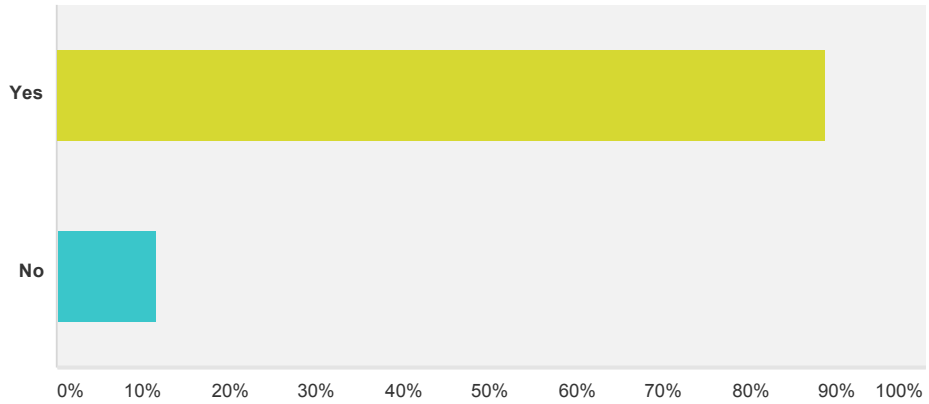
A total of 976 species suggestions were made by anglers. The following table summarizes the angler responses (note, saltwater species and species suggested once by an angler were omitted from the table):

Species	Percentage of Anglers Suggesting Species
Bluegill	0.3
Brook Trout	3.0
Brown Trout	5.8
Catfish	0.3
Crappie	0.7
Cutbow	0.6
Cutthroat Trout	2.9
Kokanee Salmon	6.0
Lake Trout	2.6
Largemouth Bass	1.9
Northern Pike	4.0
Yellow Perch	1.9

Species	Percentage of Anglers Suggesting Species
Rainbow Trout	6.0
Sacramento Perch	0.2
Salmon	2.1
Saugeye	0.1
Smallmouth Bass	3.1
Splake	3.8
Tiger Muskie	13.4
Tiger Trout	2.3
Walleye	22.2
White Bass	0.4
Wiper	16.4

**Q8 Would you be more likely to fish Scofield Reservoir if the species you identified in the previous question was present in this fishery?**

Answered: 1,006 Skipped: 1,522

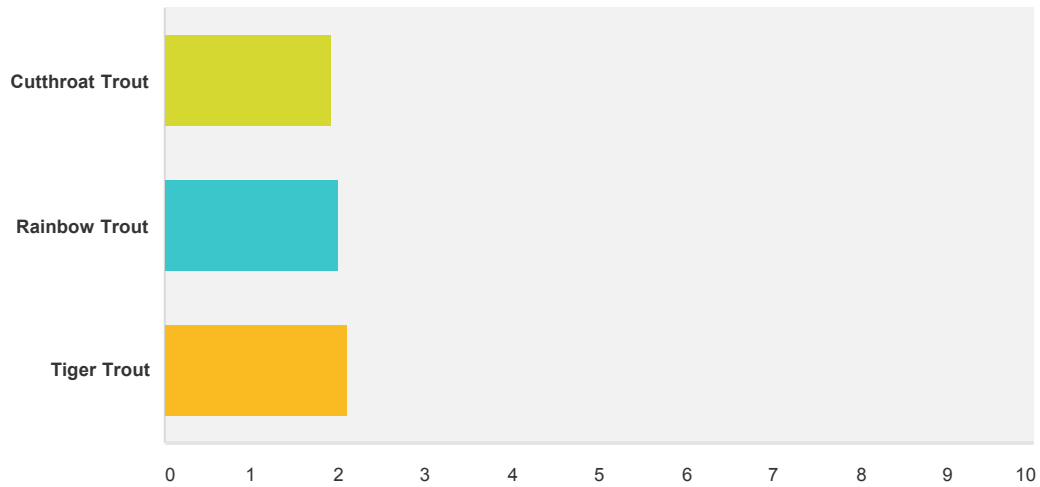


Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	88.47% 890
No	11.53% 116
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,006</b>



**Q9 The following is a list of species that can be caught in Scofield Reservoir. Please rank them in order of preference. Note that 1 should be assigned to the species you prefer catching most at Scofield Reservoir and 3 assigned to the species you least prefer catching at Scofield Reservoir.**

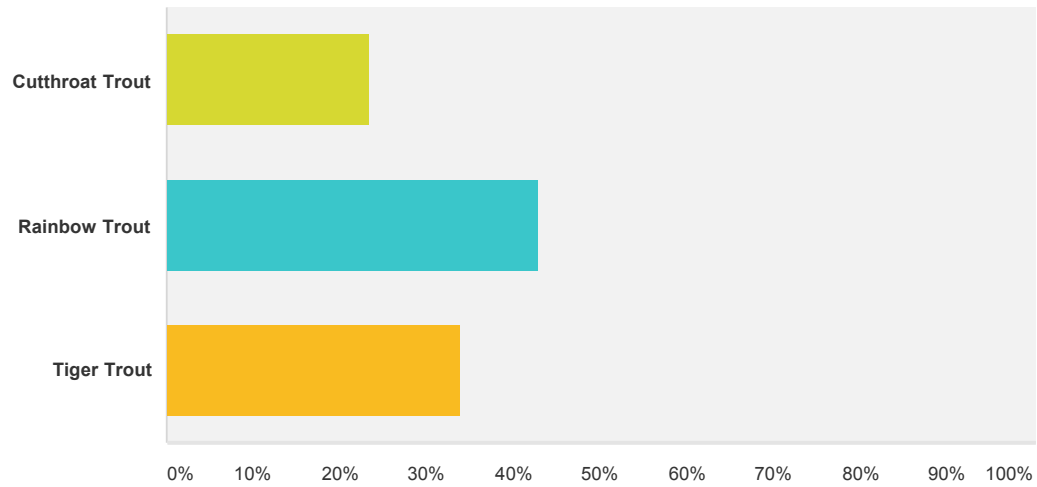
Answered: 2,093 Skipped: 435



	1	2	3	Total	Score
Cutthroat Trout	26.14% 535	39.42% 807	34.44% 705	2,047	1.92
Rainbow Trout	36.39% 749	27.41% 564	36.20% 745	2,058	2.00
Tiger Trout	38.51% 791	33.15% 681	28.33% 582	2,054	2.10

## Q10 Which one of the following species do you target most often when fishing Scofield Reservoir?

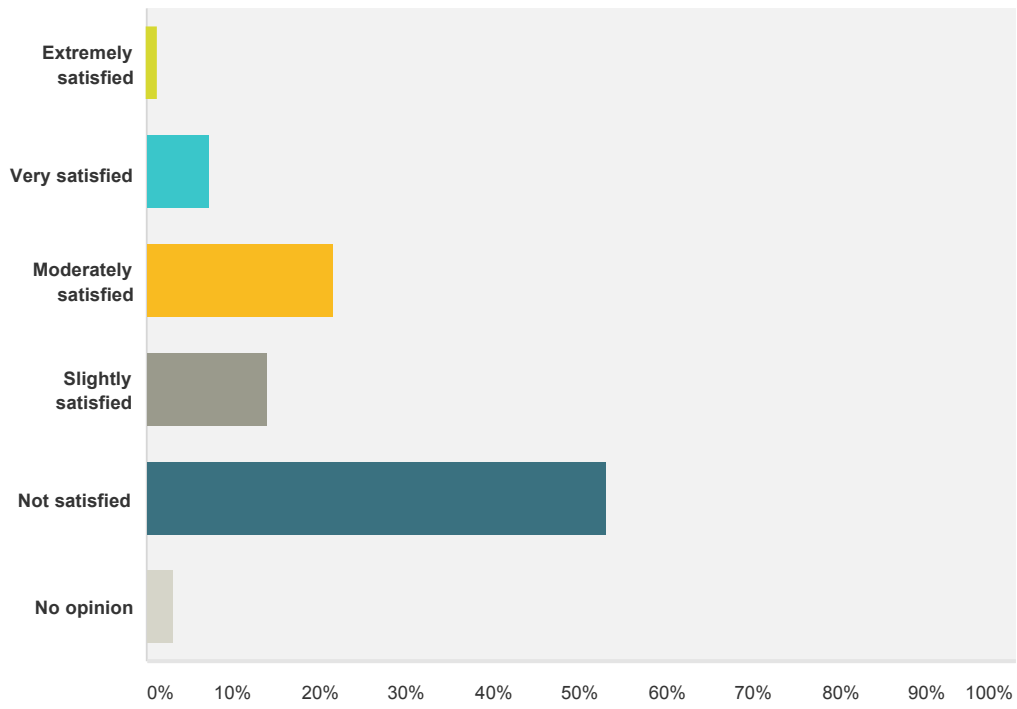
Answered: 2,081 Skipped: 447



Answer Choices	Responses
Cutthroat Trout	23.31% 485
Rainbow Trout	42.82% 891
Tiger Trout	33.88% 705
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,081</b>

## Q11 How would you rate your satisfaction with the quality of the trout fishery at Scofield Reservoir?

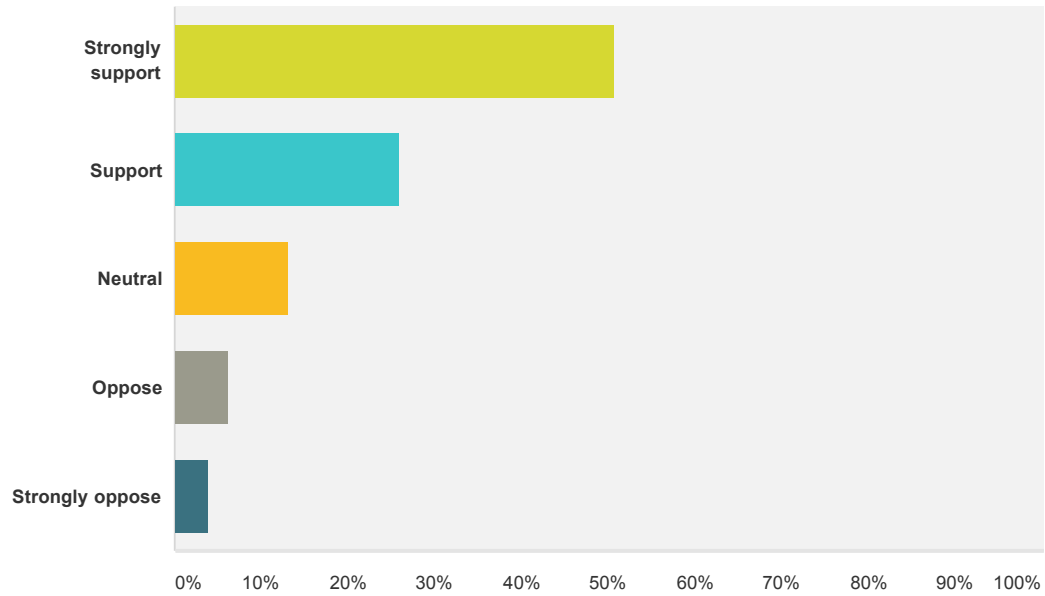
Answered: 2,110 Skipped: 418



Answer Choices	Responses	
Extremely satisfied	1.18%	25
Very satisfied	7.30%	154
Moderately satisfied	21.47%	453
Slightly satisfied	13.98%	295
Not satisfied	53.03%	1,119
No opinion	3.03%	64
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,110</b>

## Q12 How supportive are you of continued stocking of cutthroat trout and tiger trout as predators on Utah chub?

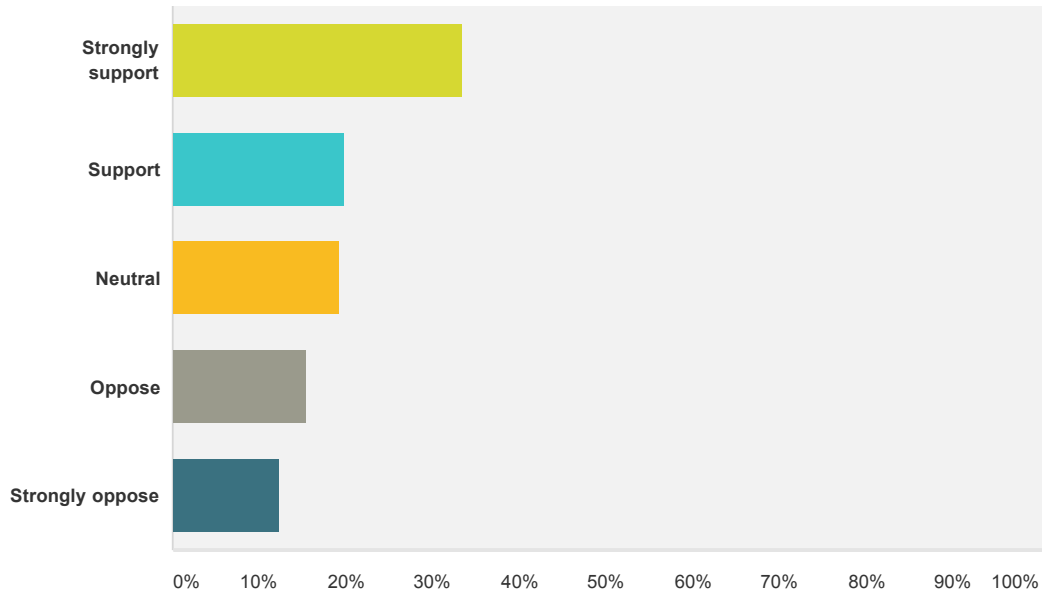
Answered: 2,105 Skipped: 423



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Strongly support	50.64%	1,066
Support	25.80%	543
Neutral	13.25%	279
Oppose	6.32%	133
Strongly oppose	3.99%	84
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,105</b>

**Q13 Rotenone is a tool that fisheries managers use to remove fish from lakes and rivers that are not meeting the goals of managers and/or the angling public. Waters are re-stocked with fish after rotenone treatment. Would you support the treatment of Scofield with rotenone?**

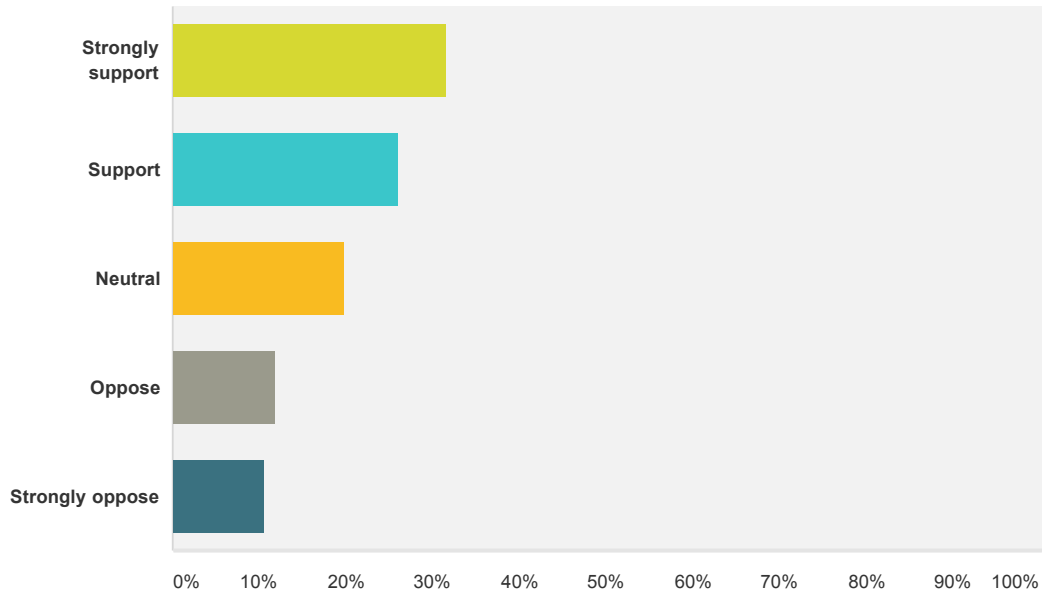
Answered: 2,104 Skipped: 424



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly support	33.32% 701
Support	19.82% 417
Neutral	19.20% 404
Oppose	15.40% 324
Strongly oppose	12.26% 258
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,104</b>

## Q14 Would you support treating the Blue Ribbon stream below Scofield Reservoir and the tributaries to the reservoir with rotenone to remove Utah chub?

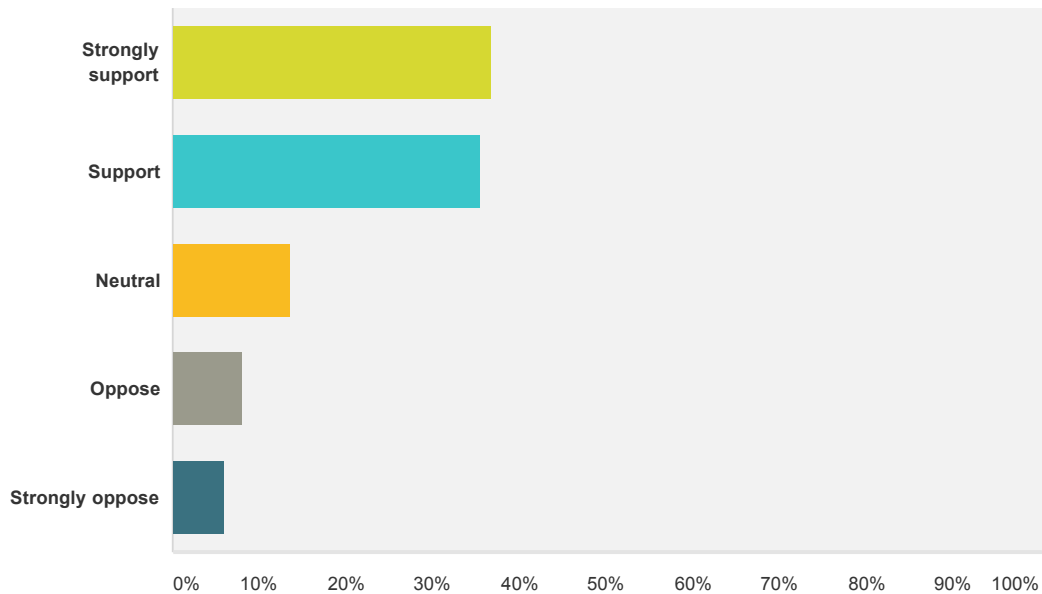
Answered: 2,092 Skipped: 436



Answer Choices	Responses	Count
Strongly support	31.50%	659
Support	26.10%	546
Neutral	19.93%	417
Oppose	11.81%	247
Strongly oppose	10.66%	223
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,092</b>

**Q15 There is a history of Utah chub establishment in Scofield Reservoir. Once established, Utah chub can have negative effects on sportfish such as trout. The stocking of predators could help control Utah chub populations and help prevent the chub from having negative effects on sportfish. Sterile walleye are one predator that could control chub while protecting native species that live downstream of Scofield. Would you support the stocking of sterile walleye into Scofield Reservoir?**

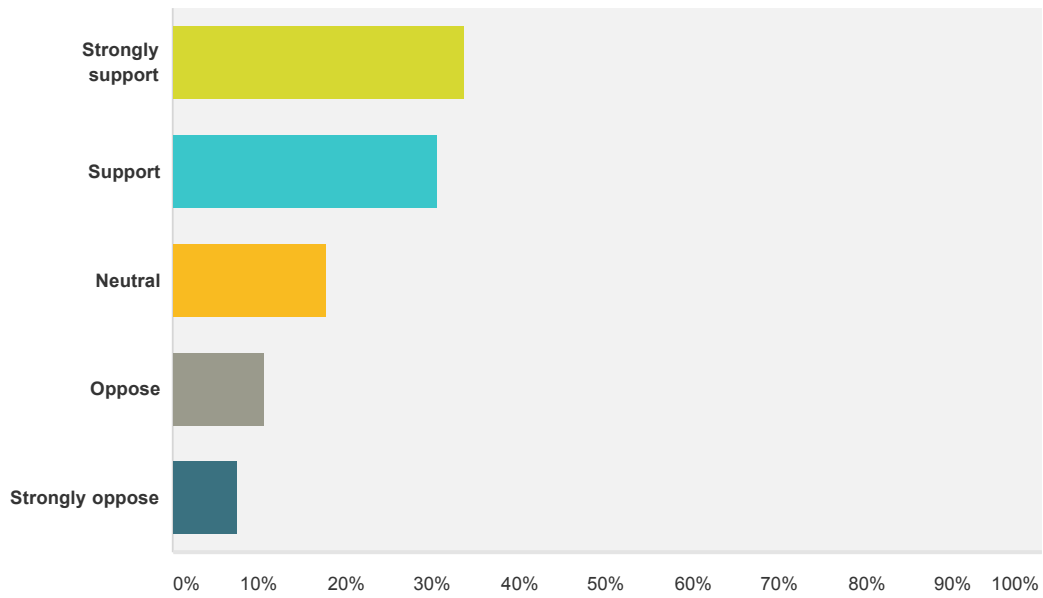
Answered: 2,091 Skipped: 437



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly support	36.78%	769
Support	35.58%	744
Neutral	13.49%	282
Oppose	8.18%	171
Strongly oppose	5.98%	125
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,091</b>

**Q16 Wiper (also called hybrid striped bass) are another predator that could control chub while protecting native species that live downstream of Scofield. Would you support the stocking of wiper into Scofield Reservoir?**

Answered: 2,087 Skipped: 441



Answer Choices	Responses	
Strongly support	33.68%	703
Support	30.38%	634
Neutral	17.78%	371
Oppose	10.64%	222
Strongly oppose	7.52%	157
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,087</b>



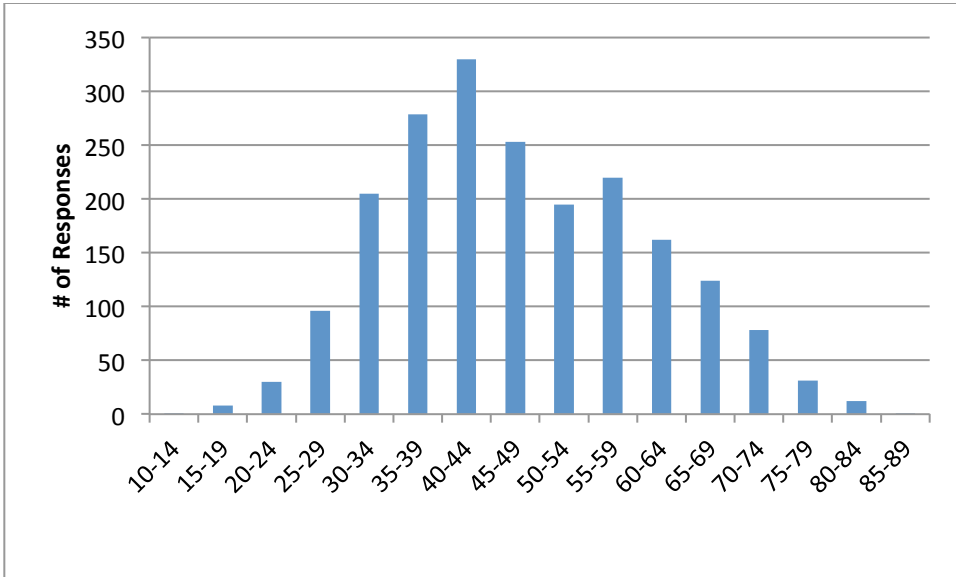
## Q17 What is your county of residence?

Answered: 2,061 Skipped: 467

County of Residence	Percentage of Respondents
Box Elder	1.0
Cache	1.5
Carbon	7.7
Daggett	0.1
Davis	6.3
Duchesne	0.4
Emery	1.7
Garfield	0.1
Grand	0.2
Iron	0.6
Juab	1.1
Millard	0.3
Morgan	0.3
Rich	0.1
Salt Lake	26.5
Sanpete	4.0
Sevier	0.4
Utah	42.8
Wasatch	0.9
Washington	0.6
Wayne	0.1
Weber	3.1
Out of State	0.5

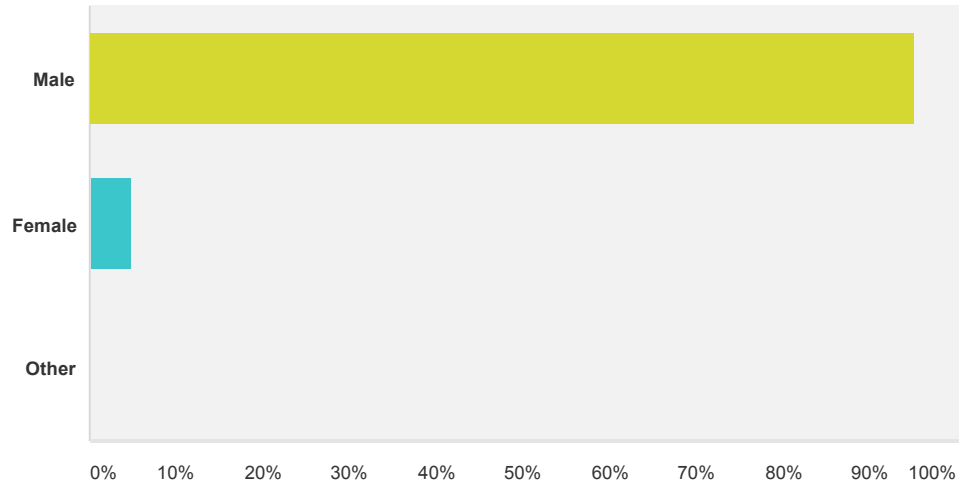
# Q18 What is your age?

Answered: 2,051 Skipped: 477



## Q19 What is your gender?

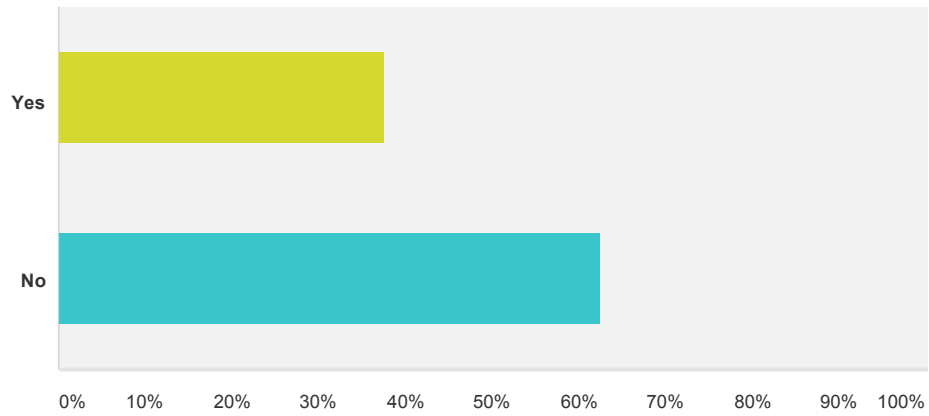
Answered: 2,067 Skipped: 461



Answer Choices	Responses	
Male	95.02%	1,964
Female	4.74%	98
Other	0.24%	5
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,067</b>

## Q20 Would you be willing to assist the UDWR draft a Fisheries Management Plan for Scofield Reservoir?

Answered: 2,041 Skipped: 487



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	37.48%	765
No	62.52%	1,276
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,041</b>

**Q21 You indicated that you would be willing to assist the UDWR with a Management Plan for Scofield Reservoir. Please provide us with your name, affiliation, email and phone number so we can contact you for assistance.**

Answered: 642 Skipped: 1,886

Answer Choices	Responses	
First Name:	100.00%	642
Last Name:	99.38%	638
Affiliation (e.g., angling organization membership):	36.76%	236
Email:	96.57%	620
Phone Number:	90.34%	580

## Q22 Do you have any constructive comments for us?

Answered: 1,085 Skipped: 1,443

The current use of putting Bear lake Cutthroats and Tiger trout will take so much time my generation will never see Scofield be a great fishery again.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK. WE LOVE FISHING IN UTAH

The DNR has mismanaged Schofield Reservoir for at least ten years. It is all government's fault. It should have been poisoned at least ten years ago. The water is so bad now that birds and fish are dying off in record numbers. The DNR has done nothing to help this situation for ten years or more. Stocking more predator fish also eats up good minnows besides chubs. This used to be a great lake for fishing. I took my kids there when they were young. Now due to mismanagement it is a terrible lake. You should be ashamed of your managing practices.

By planting medium size cutthroat and tiger trout over and over again it is creating small cut throat and tiger trout. Discontinue planting tigers and cutthroats for several years and let these fish get big so they can feed on the chubs. Chubs make great bait, there's no need to get rid of them

Encourage people when they catch a chub, kill it and remove it from the lake rather than just releasing it. Maybe start a chub bash kind of like burbot bash at flaming gorge

I support the poisoning of Scofield. Water levels also need to increase. When I was younger Schofield was a top trout fishery now it is one of the worst.

My experience over the past several years is that the chub population has gotten so out of control in Scofield, that the use of rotenone is necessary to wipe out and clean the lake and then you could start planting some of the predator species to maintain a good fishery and make it once again a trophy fishery. Scofield has the potential to be the Henry's lake of Utah, with proper management. People are so disappointed with the current situation that you may have an opportunity now that would've never presented itself before. Rotenone it. Put the same strawberry slot limits, but on all trout species in Scofield. I would love to take my family, grandkids and catch 2 to 6 lb trout they would love it. The state parks would be full, probably with a lot of out-of-state people. There's a large group of people that feel like the eight fish limit was one of the things that propelled us to the current situation. I think there's been a generational shift towards catching larger fish instead of taking limits of fish. Scofield is a bug factory. It grows huge fish. I would like to see it managed that way. Certainly there are many other waters in the state that could be a managed put and take fishery. I don't think many people would be complaining with the results the slot limits would produce after only three or four years. I think the majority of people would have a smile on their face they couldn't wipe off. The limits (size and number) could be adjusted after the recovery. Thanks for letting us have input.

The walleye and the wiper would be great. You're doing a great job

1). I would like to see more large tiger trout stocked in Scofield. 2). How about conducting a chub ice fishing tournament similar to the Fish Lake perch tournament? It would be fun, engage anglers in being part of the solution, and reduce the larger chubs. Maybe the harvested chubs could be used to feed the larger tigers before stocking or provided to interested anglers for bait. 3). Thanks for reaching out. Many anglers would like to be part of a poison-free solution. But if rotenone is the only way to get this incredible trout fishery back, let's do it sooner rather than later.

1500 Tiger Muskies may also help make a dent in the chub population

30 years ago Scofield was one of our family's favorite trout fisheries. We used to catch a lot of 2-4 lb rainbows and occasionally a 4-6 lb cut. Don't get caught up in stocking new species. Lets close or control limits in the short term to grow the bows and cuts and bring Scofield back. Larger fish would certainly help remove the chubs!

Act quickly one way or the other, don't just leave it as it is

Act soon. Secure additional water rights to keep the lake a a more stable level. Also consider planting a sterile rainbow/cut hybrid like those stocked in Henry's Lake Idaho.

Add the narrows project to the places to fish.

After the last time Schofield was treated we had several years of the best fishing ever in Utah in my lifetime. It worked perfectly. The recent problem with cyanobacteria has set up an opportunity to treat the lake with little loss.

Although Scofield is the closest trout lake for me to fish, I'm getting the the point where I don't enjoy doing as there are times my group would catch 15-20 chubs and one small trout. I'm open for introducing sterile predator fish temporarily to get rid of the chubs.

Always think you do your best...Tough situation. I would love to see a very healthy Walleye population. Great eating and fun to catch.

Anglers travel from all over the world to fish Pyramid Lake for the Pilot Pk strain of LCT. Incidentally the primary food source of these fish are chubs. Stocking these fish into Scofield would in very short order turn the area into a year round destination for thousands of fisherman. It would provide excellent sport fishing opportunities while bringing in significant revenue to state and local economies.

Any opportunities for the kids to bait fish and catch nice rainbows is the best in my opinion.

Any thoughts of gill netting and trying to capture some of the trophy trout or mature trout, and then killing off the lake to only introduce these fish again to the lake after the work. Therefore years of growth for these trophy trout don't have to take place again.

Any work with scofield would be better than status quo. I think a total reset is due there.

Appreciate being able to have input into this!

APPRECIATE THE SURVEY'S

Appreciate you asking for public input!

Appreciate your efforts

Appreciate your efforts to get Scofield Fixed and back to a strong family friendly fishery. Also interested in understanding the issues and contributing to a successful long term master plan for the water users.

As a boater, I would like to see more docks with power added, as well as pump-out facilities for those boats. We also need more resources directed to keeping the quagga infestation out of this lake and strawberry.



As a developer around the lake it is very important that Scofield Reservoir is a top fishery as it affects our land values. We support getting the lake to a place where people are happy with it again.

As far as I understand, Scofield has produced some very fine sized tiger trout. Due to this it would be unfortunate to treat the Reservoir with Rotenone and wipe out these fish but if other efforts prove non-beneficial then the treatment of the Reservoir should be considered. Also, since the Cutthroat and Tiger Trout are helping to keep the smaller chubs under control it may be necessary to introduce a larger predator such as the Tiger Muskie to help control the larger sized chub population.

As far as Scofield is concerned the udwr has ruined the lake with the stocking of cutthroat trout. Big rainbow trout were plentiful and the fishing was 100 times better 15 to 20 years ago. I know there were chub in the lake long before 2005. I would like to see Scofield returned back to the excellent RAINBOW trout fishery it once was.

As it happens, I fished Lower Fish Creek yesterday, and am sorry that that fishery (with so many other things going for it) doesn't seem to get the resources (mostly in terms of flow management) that it deserves.

As long as the chubs finally get contained then it would finally be fun to fish at Scofield again. Haven't caught the large fish I use to 8 to 10 years ago.

Be patient. Continue to do the work you have been doing and it will work. Just because the public is getting impatient with what is happening at Scofield is no reason to start jumping to conclusions like Rotenone. It might take longer but if you continue to promote catch and release of big healthy fish like cutthroat, tigers, and rainbow trout by using a slot limit, and also promote a catch and kill rule for all chub. It will slowly start to work.

Been fishing at scofield for more then 39 years . I love it ! I wish I knew how to stop the chub. I do like the idea of the other fish being stocked in the lake as long as they also could be harvested

Before the chub infestation, Scofield was my family's favorite place to fish. Now, we haven't been there in years. I am not a biologist, so I don't claim to know what is best, but it seems that Strawberry Reservoir has been a good example that can be followed in other places to maintain chub populations. I am opposed to walleye and wipers being planted because I am afraid they would ALWAYS be in the reservoir. It seems we are continuing to lose trout fisheries to warm water species - smallmouth, perch, walleye, etc. I respect the fact that there are many fishing interests, but I would like to see places such as Strawberry and Scofield remain trout fisheries. Thank you.

before you treat the lake organize a fishing derby or contest with conservaion group running it. charge \$10 per head to off set some of the cost

Better access to the lake for shore fishing

bigger the fish the better

Bottom line: I support the best solution to get the fishing back like it once was.

Bow fishing in my opinion is the cure. 2 maybe 3 contest with prizes Donated obviously. And people will catch trout again. And be happy. There are a lot of bow fishermen out there who hunt carp. And this would be a challenge for them. And everyone needs a challenge

Bring back the big rainbows from 10-15 years ago. Before you upped the limit to 8 and fished them out to move in cutthroat trout.

Bring family fishing back to Scofield.

Bring the watter level back up where it should be when the water level was dropped to work on the damn it killed all of the big tiger trout that first winter my family has a cabin up there and it is almost point less to fish any more the chub problem has gotten way out of control i spend more time and money to camp at strawberry to fish there because I know i can catch more fish out there that are not chub Schofield was one of my favorite lakes in utah to fish but since the chub bomb went off and it dose not seem like the dnr did not care to get out in front of it to get it under control i have given up on any hope in my life time to ever seeing it like it was

Brown trout may not be a bad alternative as well.

Brown Trout would be nifty too.

By putting cutthroat trout tiger trout you have ruined this lake just like you are ruining otter creek and other lakes with these fish this lake and are trying to

Can the water level be kept at a higher level year round? Would that help keep moss down

Can we please stock some rainbows in Scofield? I haven't seen one in there for over four years now.

Can we start stocking rainbows again at scofield?

Can we stock the native Colorado river cutthroat in there. I always enjoy catching them. But I must admit it has been a couple of years since I've caught one in there.

Can we stop stocking cut troughs? Put some rainbow back in there like you did four years ago.

Can you start stocking Rainbows again? No one likes the cutthroat everywhere.

Can't wait 8-10 years for the chubs to die off. Treat the reservoir now and stock with rainbows, tigers, and top of line predator like sterile walleye or tiger muskie.

Caught nothing but chubs about 2 months ago very disappointed

Chub derby with prize incentives could help

Chub had been controlled previously. The decision was made to increase the limit to 8 trout of any size a few years ago, and the large predatory fish were all removed from the lake. Surprise - chubs reestablished themselves! Please make both the lake and the downstream river trophy only and let the fish feast on chubs. The river also needs in-stream flow during the winter months.

Chub have taken over Schofield. Also, there used to be crayfish now they are hard to find. Is there a way that more water can be kept during the spring - summer and fall. I don't ice fish on Scofield because the trout are so small and few in numbers. I've moved my fishing to Strawberry instead of Scofield.

Chubs are discouraging. I'd rather kill them all and start over. Even at the expense of catching smaller fish for a few years.

Chubs are not 100 bad, the old adage big fish eat little fish is something we don't use enough we need more predators. Water Level was not mentioned in survey it will be a factor.

Chubs can never be removed and eliminated completely. A contaminated water with chubs could be completely drained and left dry for years only to find them once again within a year after refilling. Thinning them down to a lower number is the best one could ever hope for. When they gain a strong foothold, they need to be dealt with again. Over and over. With the low water levels NOW is the time for rotenone!!

Chubs have ruined what was a great sport and family fishery. We have to be more proactive to get rid of them and restore Scofield to its potential. Thank you for all the hard work in behalf of sportsmen in Utah!!!

Clean up the subdivisions around the lake from sewage make them get on the sewer system also remove all cattle and sheep from around the lake and try to provide better access.

Consider creating a dedicated fisherman program with benefits to the fisherman and hours dedicated to improve our fisheries similar to the dedicated hunter program

Consistency seems to be the biggest challenge at Scofield. If we can find some consistency...it would be an awesome fishery.

continue a slot limit

Continue with the Tiger/Cutthroat program... Let the states biologists' not bucket biologists manage the res. Do not waste the time and money on poison. Do not let "Bleeding Hearts" that want to catch only Rainbow Trout control sound fisheries management. This was once a incredible Tiger fishery. It would be quicker and cheaper to restore what is there now than to start over.

Control the chubs!

Decide if this is going to be a sport fishing location or a sports activity location. Fishing sucks when the boat is being constantly rocked by jets skis and water skiers. Don't mind if sports activities were limited to Madson Bay, but not lake wide.

depending on how long the rotenone treatment would take to reestablish the fishery I would be in favor if it was only done one year.

Diversity would be great at the site!

DNR did a great job of fixing Strawberry 25+ years ago with a rotenone treatment and management since. I have confidence they can do the same at Scofield.

DNR does great work with fish and wildlife. thank you

do it now, they are working on the dam right now and there is no water coming out of the lake and down the river below the dam.

Do something different here, than you did at strawberry, the chubs are horrible there too

Do something different then what is currently being done it's insane! The fishing is so bad I would rather fish in a small pond.

Do surveys on big game and all major fishing locations.

Do what ever it takes to get rid of chub in scofield reservoir!

Do what is right for the fishery

Do what you think best, you're the experts. Public opinion should be an influencer to break a tie, not a decision-point.

Do whatever is best to get rid of the chubs

Do you have any constructive comments for us?

Do your best to remove the chubs please

Doing a fine job everyone always complains about dwr but I don't agree thank you for all you do

Doing a good job, keep it up. By the way your question about gender in this survey gave an option for "other"... are you kidding. Don't cave into lame social pressures, it's either male or female. There cannot be any other option.

DOING A GREAT JOB

Don't do the same limit that strawberry reservoir does. Stock Cut throat, but allow us to keep 2 cut throat trout. Keep the limit 4 trout but only two can be cut throat any size

Don't get rid out the trophy tiger trout

don't have time to get involved, but wish I could go fishing more often

DON'T LISTEN TO FLY FISHERMEN OR CATCH AND RELEASE PROPONENTS!

Don't poison Scofield.

Don't stock Walleye. You can't guarantee 100% sterility. If you get fertile walleye in there you have a serious problem. Use some wipers and tiger Muskie to get on top of chubs. The days of rainbows are gone. Use tiger trout and cutthroat for the future fishery. A few rainbows would be fine but SHOULD NOT BE THE FOCUS of this fishery. Rotenone is a waste of money. Pile on the wipers and tiger muskies for a few years

Don't try to stock tigers and cutthroat trout again. It didn't work this time, it's not going to work if we do it again.

Dredge the lake

Either do the rotenone soon, or not at all.

Either treatment or adding predators that can successfully remove chub has to be done. It's currently not worth traveling to as of right now.

Encourage patience and advertise successes. It would be helpful for people to be told how long the DWR expects the larger Chub in the lake to eventually die off leaving a small number of manageable chub that could possibly always remain in the lake.

Eradicate the Chub! Thanks for all your hard work in keeping these fisheries world class!

Ether plant brown trout or more tigers

Every time we've fished Scofield in the last 2 years we have caught almost nothing, but chubs. The last two trips combined we caught 160 chubs to 4 trout (2 baby tigers, 2 tiny cutts)

Excellent job

Family has a cabin at scofield and always grew up fishing it for rainbows. I like the larger cuts and tigers that grow there, but the chubs are just out of control. If a sterile sportfish can eliminate or control the large chubs, the tigers and cuts can feed off the young chubs. I'm all for a solution that doesn't involve treating the lake, but i'm ready to fish there again, and I don't fish there now due to the very poor quality of rainbows and small cuts.

find out where the chubs come from up the river they have got to be coming from up stream right

finish the narrows project

Fishing at Scofield now is only a boat ride!!

Fishing is becoming much harder locally, the catches aren't as frequent and are decreasing in size.

Focus less on what "sportsmen" want and more on what is biologically best for the fishery and surrounding ecosystem. Thanks for all the great work!

Follow other western states stop hunting big bull elk with rifles during the rut. I say make it a bow season or don't hunt them at all. Worst case scenario is that a few people and/ or guides complain that it's no longer a piece of cake to shoot a big gun with a rifle. Tough beans, it means more big bulls and more opportunities for the average joe.



For whatever reason, fishing has gone downhill the last five years. I quit going there. Seems like the health of the lake has diminished. It reminds me of how it was the last time it was poisoned

from observation over the past several years, it appears that the severe drought and allowing the reservoir's water levels to fluctuate dramatically, especially during the late summer months plays a bigger part in the proliferation of the chubs rather than increased predatory species

Get back the good old says

Get it poisoned and get on with re-stalking, it's beyond help. No more slot limit, just plant those meat eaters and large rainbows. .

Get Lahontan's in there. They thrive at Pyramid Lake in Nevada by eating the chubs. If they are placed in Scofield with the existing cutthroat trout in there, the chub population would decrease dramatically. It wouldn't hurt to put Lahontan's in Strawberry reservoir either. That body of water has quite the chub problem as well.

Get off your chairs, and get this done. Scofield has been a poor fishery for the last 7 years. Why do you want to put Wipers in Scofield? The water temperature will be in the low 40s to upper 30s for 6 months out of every year. (November till April) Sterile Walleyes? How many people will want to use live minnows to fish for Walleyes? Most of the places where Walleyes are popular allow live minnows for bait. That has always been one of the complaints to the UDWR about our Walleye program. So why would you put them in Scofield, where the problem is already caused by the use of minnows? And that eliminates the possibility of planting fingerling trout.

Get r done

Get rid of the chubs anyway you can... Vegetable rid of the algae...this summer was a huge disappointment.

Get rid of the chubs fast

Get rid of the chubs PLEASE and plant it with more trout

Get ride of the chubs and make it a better fishing lake . Maybe try walleye with the whiper

Get some real meat eaters

GET THE CHUBS OUT AND THAT WILL MAKE IT BETTER. THANKS

Get the chubs out.

Get the chubs under control and it would be a good like.

Get the Rainbow back in the Lake and don't stock any more tiger trout

geterdone

Give the current plan some time to let the older chub die and see how the chub population is controlled by the Predator fish after that.

Go Aggies.

Go real walleye, not sterile walleye

Good idea on the walleye and wipers

Good luck

Good work managing fisheries and for scofield you should consider wipers or lake trout

Gooseberry Creek is a great place for cutts. The chub below Schofield is terrible and the water quality is questionable at times

great job with the tiger trout

Great Lake and area. Hard to catch anything but chubs right now. Wipers are a lot of fun to catch.

Have you thought of planting king salmon to control the chubs? That would become the crown jewel of Utah fishing.

Having fished Scofield for 57 years, I urge the department to return the fishery to attack families again by getting rid of the chub through poisoning. The method now adopted is not working and is moving families away from enjoying that reservoir.

Help us getting the chub gone

Hey rid of the, chubs

Hope you can make it good again

Hopefully your efforts increase the success of catching fish in the reservoir. Never been able to catch anything like I was able to over 10-15 years ago. Not sure if that is a result of the chub problem or not, but it is no longer enjoyable to fish Scofield like it used to be.

How many cutthroat are from tributaries come into scofield? I question this because of what has happened during the last 10 years to upper gooseberry creek. There are so many beaver dams the spawning habitat is non existent. This would have to affect cutthroat numbers in the whole system all the way to scofield. Maybe blow the Beaver dams out and give the cutthroat a chance. When I say upper gooseberry creek I mean above gooseberry reservoir. The Beaver dams have destroyed what used to be a great fishery.

How much does it cost to Rotenone a reservoir like Scofield? I think however much that is should be put into stocking effective predator species. Rotenone has proven to be only somewhat effective in the past, has cost a lot of money and it takes many years to rebuild the affected fisheries. It's like spraying your whole yard with round up to rid it of dandelions. You kill everything and they still come back. Stocking large predators (not predator minnows that take a couple years to grow to effective size) that are eating machines when introduced will be more effective in my opinion.

Hurry. It would take some pressure off Strawberry if there was another lake close to find good fishing at.

I always loved Scofield. I hope it is restored to a great fishing area again..

I am also concerned with all tributaries as I am a fly fisherman. Fish Creek that runs from Gooseberry to Scofield has suffered greatly in recent years. I would love to this and other tributaries taken better care of. Thank you for your efforts.

I am concerned about stocking any fish which can reproduce which are not already in the lake. Un-foreseen negative consequences tend to happen even with the best intentions. Last time I was at the reservoir I caught a medium sized Kokanee. It made my day and was delicious. I would love to see more of them there.

I am concerned with the size of fish that are being pulled from the reservoir. The Cutthroat I have caught are all small and skinny and with in the slot limit. I have actually stopped fishing there due to the lack of quality of fish.

I am happy at the progressive stance you guys have taken in removing problem fish in the last few years.

I am happy that the DWR is focusing on Scofield Reservoir. I believe a healthy Scofield with the large football Rainbows and Cutthroat it has been known for in the past, is definitely possible in the future. I believe Wiper would be the perfect predator for eating the chubs. The wiper would also provide excellent fishing opportunities for anglers without all of the size regulations. In addition, they are excellent table fare!

I am happy to see this survey and I hope to see Scofield become a great fishery again one day. I used to fish there year round but I haven't visited the lake in over a year because of the chubs. It is too close to home not to enjoy. Thanks!

I am not sure any fish introduced could take care of the chub population. My family has a cabin at Scofield and have fished it extensively. It is frustrating to fish the fishery and catch 90% chubs. My kids are losing interest in fishing there because of the decreased opportunity for trout. The trout that are caught are small and very skinny. From what I am seeing there is not enough feed for the combination of tigers, rainbows, cutthroat, and chub. Before the chubs were out of control it seemed to me that we were catching healthier fish and fish with more size.

I am not sure poisoning the lake is the best option, DWR would be better suited to answer that. If that is the best option to kill the chub, then I would say do it. I know the quality of fishing for Rainbow Trout has gone down, and I am sure that is because of the chub, but I don't know what the recent gillnet results are to see if the chub population is going down?

I am pleased to see the DWR conduct this survey and develop a new fishery management plan. As a life long resident of Carbon County Scofield has always been an important part of my fishing. I would really like to see Scofield return to the quality fishery it has historically been.

I am sure you are aware, but the chub is the reason why I hardly fish at Schofield, I would go much more often, I hope the DWR finds a solution that works!

I am tired of seeing dead chubs littering the banks from people who have pulled the trash fish from the reservoir and would really like to see the chubs in Scofield Reservoir and its tributaries completely removed with Rotenone. I am a cabin owner in the area and my family would love to see quality fishing return to the area with a healthy population of rainbow and other trout available for fishing. The water is very low in the lake right now, and as the water has been turned off in the stream (so the fish below are already dead or gone) below the reservoir, now would be a great time to remove the chub and return Scofield to one of the top fishing waters in the state.

I am very partial to sterile brook trout instead of the over-popular tiger trout. Tiger trout are far too common especially in that area. Let's try cutts and sterile brook trout at an easily accessible water.

I am wondering why we have such a problem now compared to years ago when there was no problem, and if there are measures we can take to both prevent future problems and educate the public on how to stop introducing harmful species. Is the cost of killing the lake and tributaries and the obvious inflation of license fees worth it if we can not educate and prevent the public from further problems of using live bait? And, what is the real difference now compared to years ago, is there more live bait available or just more people using the fishery? Are there any constructive laws that could be passed that would prevent chub introduction in the first place or would that be too hard to enforce? To be honest, I don't see any way this is going to work, not do I enjoy fishing up there anymore because the cost is getting to high and no one is interested in protecting the fishery, just poison and restock every few years. If the users themselves will not protect it, then it becomes an endlessly expensive cycle of drastic measures that I would not support. It's too bad when fishing and caring a concealed weapon are now on the same level. The management plan has to include some serious education for users of the lake.

I and my family have property near Scofield, and I have fished Scofield off and on for 40 years. I still fish there, but most of the enjoyment has gone due to the large number of Chub.

I answered never on the first question because I no longer fish Scofield Reservoir because of the chub population. I have loved the dry fly fishing opportunity on this reservoir. It is no longer available because of the chub and shiner population. I would also be in favor of increasing the slot limit and keeping the possession limit to a minimum. It might also help create a regulation, whatever that would be, to limit the possession limit during high vulnerability times(Spring & Fall).

I appreciate all the work being done to create quality fisheries in the lakes. I would like to see our access restored on the rivers and I would like to see similar programs on the rivers in our state.

I appreciate that you are reaching out to anglers for input into fishery decisions. I strongly support management of fisheries for trophy fish, and artificial lures only.

I appreciate that you are trying to restore scofield

I appreciate the approach you are making state-wide. Thank-you for your great efforts to improve fishing!

I appreciate the chance to voice an opinion and hope the division moves forward with planting more game fish of the current species to continue chub control. If the chubs and are eliminated with rotenone the quality of game fish will be set back at a minimum.

i appreciate the effort of the dwr, but i do miss fishing scofield. i have a rec property there i bought mainly to spend time fishing. I dont fish there any more. to me, scofield is popular for most people for its access and closeness to the valley. thank you.

I appreciate the effort you make to improve the fishery. I prefer to fish the river below Scofield to the reservoir itself and even it has become overrun with chubs. I hesitate to poison the river as there are also some great trout in it but it has become so "chubby" that I'd fish elsewhere for a couple years while the trout population rebounded.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback on this situation. I'm glad I didn't go down to my cabin on the lake and find out it has been treated with rotenone. I'd rather not go to the cabin if I can't fish.

I appreciate the survey, though I sent in an email regarding the chub a while back (I had mistakenly identified them as another species) and never got a response. It would be appreciated in the future to get a response, but I understand that resources are probably stretched thin and it wasn't a priority.

I appreciate UDWR's efforts in management efforts in developing and maintaining quality fisheries resources in Utah. I'm excited UDWR is taking these steps to help improve fishing opportunities at Scofield Reservoir.

I appreciate your efforts to improve the lake!

I appreciate your willingness to improve the lake. I take the kids to Scofield and all we catch are chubs and a few, malnourished cutthroats and rainbows.

I appreciate your willingness to inquire of local anglers regarding plans for the fishery. The fishery has definitely declined in quality since chub were introduced.

I believe it is important to maintain the integrity of Utah's native wildlife resources and the DNR should be allowed to have some leeway into accomplishing this

I believe more Utah anglers (me included) would like to see more lakes and reservoirs near SLC be planted and managed for warm water species as well as walleye/tiger musky/northern pike

I believe putting less emphasis on cutthroat and more emphasis on Tiger trout would be more beneficial in controlling the chub population. Treating the reservoir right now is the best option, although a very expensive one.

I believe some predatory fish such as pike walleye wiper or musky would be a positive action in this lake it is overrun with chub and needs help

I believe that if you poison the lake that the chub will be introduced again by anglers that just don't care. I don't know how long it takes for the fishery to come back but if you use fish to rid the lake it seems to make better sense.

I believe that the biggest problem with Scofield is the over draw-down of water. Chubs seem to survive the 10ft deep, warm stagnant water better than the trout. I would really like to see a license small license fee increase, with the proceeds going towards the purchase of agricultural water shares that could be used to maintain minimum water levels in smaller reservoirs like this.

I believe the re-establishing native trout species in Utah waters is the best way to develop and manage our Utah fisheries.

I built a cabin in 2010 at Aspen Cove at Scofield Reservoir in part due to a history of being a good fishery. It has been progressively worse ice fishing year by year. Summer fishing yields 10:1 chub to trout. The lake is as low as it has ever been and now would be the most efficient and cost effective time to use rotenone. Get er done!

I catch more chub than anything else at Scofield. Its time to start over.

I certainly appreciate all the efforts to improve the fishing at Scofield

I dislike the slot limit on trout size. I would rather see the slot limit removed, and rotenone used in the lake

I do a fishing and Outdoors article for the Millard County Chronicle, and am a current fishing guide in Millard County, I know these waters very well and fish as well as serve as a guide for other fisherman not too familiar with Millard County, Gunnison Bend and DMAD reservoirs have so much potential for being some of the better places to fish in the state if only the DWR would spend more time replenishing the sport fish population like Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, walleye and Northern Pike. Over the years I have had hundreds of people in the community asking me if I have any leverage to make this happen and my reply was that I would do my best, and just last year I had a lengthy conversation with the conservation officer down here about this very subject and at the conclusion of our conversation he mentioned that they would stock wipers in both or at least one of the two reservoirs Gunnison Bend or DMAD Reservoirs. Needless to say I along with all those who follow my Millard County Fisherman page were very excited, this was over a year and a half ago and there have been so signs or posts on the DWR stocking page that this was done, every week I'll have someone come up to me and ask "Steve have they stocked the Wipers yet?" And of course it hurts me to tell them they have not. Maybe whoever the conservation officer is down here was just telling me what I wanted to here so he could get me off the phone or maybe it just slipped his mind I can understand the job can get very distracting at best. Is there anyway someone can look into this, If there is anything I can do please let me know [REDACTED]

I do bank fishing for me I have never caught walleye or a wiper from the bank! But I have Northern pike and and tiger musky Pineview reservoir has trout catfish perch Crappy and tiger musky do well and all them due great too , brown trout would do great there too I just would like to see a fish that people can catch from the bank just not by boat

I do not believe you can ever completely kill off the Utah Chubs, they have always returned after every rotenone treatment. I also don't believe that fisherman re-introduce the chubs, I think its birds or other animals



I do not make the drive out to Scofield as often because the fishery has become overrun with chubs. I would love to see trophy trout in the reservoir again.

I do not regularly fish scofeild because I spend most of my time Spearfishing. I am an avid sportsman and value greatly the quality of Utahs fisheries. I am going to school with the hopes of becoming a wildlife biologist and working with the fisheries department. As such it greatly frustrates me that the division would consider rotonine treatments in a lake and not allow fish to be taken by underwater Spearfishing. Gunlock being a recent example. Please consider allowing Spearfishing for all fish populations that are in need of control.

I do not want to see scofield poisoned, I would rather see the chubs controlled other ways.

I don't always agree with everything, but I think you do a pretty good job overall.

I don't believe there are any rainbow left in Scofield. I don't think the DNR has had one in there gill net surveys for years now. So why is this even an option in the survey?

I don't feel the main issue for attracting anglers to Scofield is the quantity of chubs in the lake but the considerable decrease in the water levels of the lake over the past 3 years. The shoreline has retreated some hundreds of feet making it difficult to shore fish as well as taking into consideration the already shallow depths of the lake. I have been reluctant to fish there the last two years because of the low water levels not because of the chubs.

I don't fish Scofield as much as I use to do because of the chubs. They take all the fun out of fishing there.

I don't know a lot about the management of fisheries but I do know that natural methods such as planting predatory fish for Chad has got to be better than using any type of poison

I don't know the reason, but the fishing and the crawfishing has been much slower the past 5+ years.

I don't think the fishery is in as bad of condition as some might think. Some of the tiger trout/cutthroat trout in there are tropies because of the forage base.

I don't think there are enough tiger trout Being stocked

I enjoy the ice fishing tournaments that include rewards for the most chubs caught per team. Please keep doing those in addition to other efforts.

I feel like we need to wait a couple more years to see the impact of the tiger and cutthroat trout on the chub population.

I feel poisoning a lake is a waste. Unless you are going to do this from top to bottom and eradicate the chubs entirely. Otherwise they just repopulate, swim upstream or downstream, and ruin the lake again. I would support poisoning the lake if the DWR went all in and did it right, otherwise let's try to tip the scales the other way.

I feel scofield, like many Utah waters, suffers from the chub 'cycle' (defined as retenone the lake and fill with predators). The continued stocking of tiger trout and bear lake cuts has really been the most successful fight against this, in my opinion. The slot limit at Panguitch lake (on cutthroat and tigers only) has seemed to slow this cycle and might be a good idea to mimic it for Scofield.

I feel that by taking care of the chub population and making it an appealing fishery again that it would take pressure off of other reservoirs like strawberry. I feel that Utah needs more regulations on fishery's like slot limits like done on strawberry and lost creek. I also think that if you are going to poison the lake open it up for 1 year without planting it and let people take as many trout or chub as they would like. Utah has very few high regulation fishery's like no bait barbless etc. I feel that Idaho does a much better job at producing large trout and part of that is to higher restrictions and slot limits. I would also like to see a lake go to the same type of regulations such as henry's lake. I know that I do not have all the answers but I am a very frustrated fisherman that spends a lot of time in other states due to the current fishery's.

I feel that the best approach first needs to be using cutthroat and tiger trout to control the chub. If that doesn't happen I would consider using walleye or wiper. As a last resort I would poison and start over.

I feel that when possible it is better in my opinion to use natural predators to control the population. Also I really enjoy fishing when there are predator species that aggressively feed. I usually go fishing so my children can enjoy the experience and catch multiple fish on an outing. For instance the introduction of wipers in Salem pond has been a huge hit with my little kids! They can fish on their own and are always getting lots of bites and catches. I think if the DNR would consider sterile predators such as walleye, wipers, and especially tiger musky, the fishery would draw more anglers to it for the chance at catching those species, and that would allow the tiger trout and cutts that are already there to grow in size and improve the fishery by decreasing the chub population in the process. Summertime fishing at Scofield can be slow and very boring for littles and adults alike. Planting some sterile predator fish could offset some of that slow fishing as they tend to be more aggressive feeders when the water temp increases. I love the idea of planting some various sizes of predator fish and leaving the trout intact. Seems like the Tiger Musky has done well at Pineview Res. without having a negative impact, but it would be fun to have a closer place to fish them for the people more centralized in the state.

I feel the fishery at Scofield is on track with what the prior management plan was. There is a drop off of smaller chubs. Young of the year have been non-existent in any of my cast nets and minnow traps for the last 4 years. I do feel as though cutthroat trout are over utilized. I would focus more on Tiger Trout, and supplement the Brown Trout population already present in the reservoir with additional stocking. An additional predator trout, like Splake, would also help bring chub numbers down. Musky, wiper and other sterilized fish are also an option, although not quite as desirable. Scofield has always been a destination for trophy trout. I've been lucky enough to catch Tigers, Browns and Rainbows all over 10 pounds. It would be nice to see larger trout that can turn piscivorous quicker stocked in to get a few more trophies coming along.

I fill that if you killed all the fish and started new with the Rainbow, Tiger and cutthroat trout would be in the best interest. I have totaling lost interest in going to Scofield, because of the Chub population. It is a dying lake unless you do something soon. People are not willing to wait for the predator fish to take care of this problem. How many years will that take.

I fish the tributaries above and below scofield only.

I fish walleye and wiper in Utah Lakes, and would like to see more Walleye planted into Utah lakes.

I fished last 2 week ens sick small fish only.

I fished Sxofield every weekend til the slot limit was put into place. Not once did I catch a Chub. The slot limit was put into place and you now cant shake the chubs off your hook. I have caught a total of a dozen rainbows out of that lake and released all of them cause they wasnt big enough to mess with. Something needs to be done before I will pay to launch my boat on that lake again

I fished there one time last year and only caught 12 chub trolling. Terrible fishing. Won't fish there again until the chub population declines significantly.

I fully support what you're doing. One thing I've noticed is our new neighbors from [REDACTED] are well known for using LIVE BAIT in rivers and streams that are ARTIFICIAL BAIT ONLY. Could you please enforce the Law on this issue?

I grew up fishing here with my dad, I would like my kids to be able to say the same. Right now with how poor the fishing is. How bad the chubs are I wouldn't even visit the lake again with them and that is sad.

I grew up fishing this lake with my family. I've always loved going up there but in recent years I have a hard time going up there to catch 20 chubs and 1 trout. The Trout population in my opinion is absolutely nothing like it used to be and I have a hard time going up there. I just hope there is a way to get it back to what it once was

I grew up in carbon county and love this fishery, particularly lower fish creek. some of the biggest fish I have caught have been out of Scofield, the chubs are so bad there that I have quit fishing there as much. lower fish creek is even worse pretty much all we see down there are chubs now. this section of river had some of the nicest beautiful browns I have ever seen. I don't really have an answer but something needs to be done and I would be happy to help out where I can. thanks

I grew up on this reservoir and even have a cabin nearby. The fishing has gone very south in recent years due to the chubs. In my opinion we need to do whatever we can to get rid of them as soon as possible. I want my children to enjoy this fishery as much as I have and as it is right now that simply isn't possible.

I hate slot limits, I think MORE fish die through improper handling and release than would if there were no slot limit, but a lower catch limit. I also loathe tiger trout and hate to see them planted anywhere

I have a cabin at Scofield, my kids like catching any fish but 90% we catch chub. It would be nice to catch something to eat. Thanks

I have a cabin in the immediate area and don't even bother with scofield anymore and head to fairview. Something definitely needs to be done. I like the idea of having more predators than trout while at the same time trying to recreate the excellent rainbow fishery scofield once was.

I have been fishing Scofield all of my life since I was a kid both from the shore and from a boat and now I take my own family there but for the past several years fishing has been horrible due to the chubs being caught I would like to see the lake poisoned and stocked with rainbow trout so I can fish there once again with my family

I have been fishing Scofield since I was a young boy. It was one of the best places in the state to go fishing. Over the years it has been getting worse. This year I hardly seen anyone out on the lake because of the chub problem. I was involved in the gill netting and saw so many chubs, no wonder no one wants to fish there anymore. I have been in contact with so many people from DWR discussing what to do about this Great Lake and most of them say we are going to plant bigger fish to eat the chubs. This is crazy, lets get it over with kill the lake and start over again so we have a great place to fish again. Please!

I have been in Utah for 6 years now and I have caught 1 fish . So I go twice a year with an attitude of this time it will different. I'm an avid angler, I know a lot about fishing techniques and what to use! I stopped going last year because of obvious reasons. I say kill the reservoir and start over

I have fish Scofield a great amount of time in the past ,And would like to continue to do so. The chub problem has overcome the good fishing and it's not worth going there except for bait. I'd like to see something happen that would return fishing like it used to be. I appreciate your efforts and willingness to do something about it.

I have fished my whole life up there, I loved when you could catch big rainbows and sometimes a tiger. I HATE all the cutthroat in there. They are too small and I like to eat the fish as well. The cutthroat are all too small or in the slot limite. Please reduce the amount of cuts and build the rainbows back up. Thank you!

I have fished Schofield since I was a small boy. It is worth saving and should be a priority.

I have found DWR does a good job with the limited resources, outside pressures/influences placed on the agency.

I have had little interest in fishing Scofield this past year. Each year gets progressively worse. It's hard to troll without having chubs "steal" my bait intended for more desirable fish. I desire too have it killed off and start over.

I have lived in Utah my entire life and seen a number of lakes treated with Rotenone and have yet to see it work long term only because the fish that have been introduced, get re-introduced again. Until the root cause of where the invasive species is coming from is successfully addressed it is just a continuous cycle. Introduction of predatory species that will effectively control the invasive species while providing further fishing enjoyment opportunities sounds like a win - win scenario. The question is whether these predatory species can perform this function to the extent needed?

I have loved to fish Scofield in the past. It was the main fishery for me and my family. We no longer fish there, simply because of the chub population. To relieve pressure from Strawberry, this fishery must be fixed or there will be a crash at Strawberry, due to the extra pressure. I support treating this lake and starting over. Thanks for your allowing me to participate with any help needed.

I have not been to Scofield in the last 3 years - useless fishery. It needs to be started over. Rotenone, plant Bear Lake Cutts to control the chubs, some rainbow and tiger trout. It seems obvious that playing catch up on the chubs with the cutts has not worked. We could also try walleye and wiper. My preference would be the Strawberry model. The percentages were from previous years - I would fish Scofield in the future if it was re-born. Thanks for all you guys and gals do.

I have not fish that Reservoir once sense the slot limit has been put into place. I used to fish that reservoir one to two times a week prior to that

I have not fished Scofield this year. Last year 90% of the fish I caught were chubs, and some of them were large chubs. I suggest gill netting as many of the trout as possible and then use rotenone.

I have not fished there for a few years now, but i would be willings to try it out again in the coming years. Always caught big fish there

I have personally felt that scofield reservoir should be poisoned as in the survey suggested. If the lake could be poisoned in the fall, come spring the dead fish on the banks will be under the water and from what I have heard make excellent fish for when restocked with a fish of desire.

I have recently begun fishing Scofield and have never caught a trout. I only ever catch chubs, which is frustrating. I love the idea of introducing other species to decrease the chub population.

I have seen Scofield treated for Chubs and Carp several times over the years, the condition of the Chub population now seems to be the largest ever . Possibly a combination of treatment of the reservoir and tributaries and restocking with the right balance of species desired is necessary. Currently it would take a large predator to eat 12 inch chubs ?

I have the highest respect for the Utah DWR, you do great work and I support your efforts to continue developing Utah's great sport fishing opportunities. Thanks.

I have used Scofield as a place to introduce my children to fishing. I would like to do that with my grandchildren. I need a place where they can go and be successful. They don't need to catch a trophy to instill a love of fishing at an early age. They just need to catch a fish.

I hear these ideas about poisons and aggressive predators. Anyone ever think about selling a commercial fishing license to 20 people for \$5,000 per license. It would only be good at Scofield and only good for the capture of chubs. Then they could sell these fish legally to other fisherman and bait dealers. Any game fish that they catch need to be released back into the lake. The extra \$100,000 made off the commercial license could be used to plant more game fish in the lake. Make it that commercial fishing can only be done one month before and one month after the chubs spawn. Then for the river, why not introduce otters? They are a predator that would really put a dent into the dense chub population. Lets look at the big picture and see what other ideas could help.

I hope that we can get Scofield back to the way it used to be. I sure love it there, and have some awesome memories. I am glad you are doing all you can to fix the issue.

I just want to see the reservoir provide fish like it did when I was younger. Bigger fish on average, more rainbows, and way less chub. It also would be cool to see more tigers but I think I am just not too good at catching them. I would also prefer Scofield stay a Trout fishery rather than stocking Walleye or Wiper in it. It is obvious that chub are the main reason this fishery is suffering so much. I have a few suggestions on possible methods on ridding the reservoir of them. Please contact me and I will give you my best opinions!

I know it doesn't have to do with the fish but it sure would be nice to have some plowed spots for parking in the winter for ice fishing

I know the division of wildlife will carefully decide the best choice as to how to deal with the chub. I fished scofield once this year and was extremely disappointed. We caught mostly chub and a few small trout. I used to fish with my grandpa several times a year and we'd always catch several very large trout. Hope to see it that way again in the future. I feel like the predator trout can't keep up with the amount of chub in the reservoir. I personally have no interest in fishing scofield any more until things change. Thanks for the survey.

I know the management of Scofield is hard, especially considering water demands on the reservoir for Price. Low water levels create warmer temperatures which creates less-than-ideal habitat for trout. However, with that being said, I think the best course of action is killing the reservoir and stocking it immediately with catchable rainbow trout, fingerling Colorado River Cutthroat Trout (the fish which belongs in the drainage), wipers, tiger trout, and possibly splake or brown trout. Splake and brown trout are much more aggressive in eating chubs, while causing a lower impact on trout populations. Killing the reservoir won't rid it of all of the chubs, which is why we need fish that are aggressive predators, but I'd personally like to see more trout in the lake than other species to manage the chub problem.

I like catching the Wipers, but the anglers who fish for them leave an extraordinary amount of trash on the banks. Mussel shells and their packages are everywhere! My family and I fish Willard Bay several times a year. Over the last 2 years, we take and FILL a 32 gallon trash bag of other peoples trash each time. We love to catch them, but are disgusted with the amount of trash.

I like ice fishing Scofield but I know that when I go, I'm going to catch numbers of fish not size. I typically get a lot of skinny (almost snake-like) trout with chubs in the mix. I keep chubs for catfish bait. I would utilize Scofield quite a bit more if there were other species (namely sterile walleye or wipers) that could do well there. I don't know enough about the ecology of Scofield to say whether or not there is a food source to support stocking walleye or wipers but I would support it if the fisheries biologists claim there is forage for those species. I would love to help with a management plan but I really don't fish Scofield enough to have lots of input. Thanks for doing these surveys!

I like that you are talking to the public about this.

I like the idea of reaching out to the public for these issues as long as the results end up positive for nature.

I like the idea of stocking wiper and walleye better than using rotenone. I'd rather have the opportunity to fish for a wider (and tastier) range of species, than to knock everything out and start over.

I like the idea of the walleye and the wiper but as stated in the proposals "they could" help with the chub problem. I feel the glory days of fishing Schofield are unfortunately long gone but poisoning the water and starting over sound better than something that "could" bring it back. I've fished there my whole life and now that I have kids old enough to fish there I would like to take them but won't until things get better.

I like the possibility of other species to control the chub and the potential Scofield has for being a great fishery.

I like the stocking if predatory fish like cutthroat and tigers but I just don't think they are on the same level of predator as walleye.

I liked Scofield before the tigers were in there and liked it after they arrived. I believe some other predators should be utilized prior to an expensive rotenone project. I also believe that we can achieve a great fishery again. I'm glad the DWR is collecting feedback about Scofield. It shows that you're ready to make some changes.

I live in Sanpete and there is not a good spot to catch big fish. I don't even take my kids. We need better fisheries with big fish to make it fun again

I look at this lake, and I think it has all the potential of a Panguitch lake. They've done amazing things with that fishery with a balance of the same species in Scofield. I really do think the best thing to do is to treat the lake and start all over. It looked like it was making a comeback for a time, but it has crashed again. Let's treat the streams and do all we can do to get rid of the chubs! Put a slot limit on the Tigers and cutthroat to increase their size for better predation.

I love Bass!!!! Will travel and spend money for bass!

I love big cutties like in Strawberry I hope that you make it a trophy lake like Strawberry. I like Scofield and hope we can get all those damn chubs out.

I love catching rainbows but it has been fun to land some huge tigers. For this reason I would not kill the whole lake. Put some more predator fish and keep the tigers growing

I love catching rainbows. Starvation has a great rainbow and walleye population which is fine. I do mostly float tube fly fishing and live at the reservoir.

I love fishing scofield but the last two years I have been dissappointed in the number and size of fish I have caught my last few trips. I have been more apt to go to fishlake, ottercreek and strawberry over scofield because of it, even though scofield is closer.

I love scofield reservoir. I look forward to fishing there again.

I love Scofield, it is my favorite place to fish. I feel bad my kids don't get to experience it like I did. It used to be that you could go there and count on at least getting a couple rainbows. I hope you can get it back! Thank you.

I love scofield. I am so glad you are addressing the chub problem.

I love the efforts of you guys in protecting and maintaining our fisheries. I support the DWR 100%!

I love the idea of having sterile walleye. I do not feel the cutthroat have done there job. Recent trips I have caught skinny cutthroats that look like they are starving. Walleye would be great and my own selfish desire would be to add perch to the menu as well.



I love what scofield was 3/5 years ago and the chub have really hurt that lake I think the chub tournaments have been good I hope we can all save this trophy fishery

I love what you are doing. I generally prefer management for trophy fisheries....artificial use and slot limits.

I loved fishing on Scofield but I've actually stopped fishing there a few years ago because it's near impossible to catch anything but chub. So I would support any actions to help reduce the chub (or completely eradicate them). I'd love to come back and enjoy fishing on Scofield once again.

I'm not sure how effective poisoning this lake would be because it was poisoned before and the chubs came back worse than before, also why do you recommend poisoning the stream below the lake?

I miss more rainbow trout in the lake. I see many take the others even if not in the slot

I miss the old days when it was full of big rainbows. I don't fish there anymore because the fish are small and I usually catch chubs. Do what you have to do to fix it. If that means poison it and start over do it

I no longer fish scofield the past 2 years. Can't catch a rainbow. Used to take the family all the time and no longer do because you can't catch fish. If you happen to the regulations make it so hard to determine if cut or rainbow. Regulations say "any cutthroat markings" many rainbow have slight orange slit under neck, wording should be like strawberry. Cut-bows should be legal to keep. This used to be a great family fishery, and is now only a sport fishery and have to have a boat to be successful. Bring back the family fishery with lots of rainbows. Keep the predators, but keep it stocked with lots of rainbows.

I notice the DWR telling anglers to keep more fish. At least in places I tend to read up. It still seems most 'old timers' have this tendency to release most small fish in the hopes of them getting larger. As stated, it just leaves more competition for the bigger fish. I'd like to see more from the DWR on getting anglers to take home and eat their fish. More so in the Uintas where the population has stunted growth.

I prefer a program that is more along the line of catch and release, and stocking species that breed naturally, without the need for hatchery stocking. That is why I would like to see a healthy German Brown population in the lake. I know that is not consistent with the idea of catching nice Rainbows for the family dinner table, however, Scofield Reservoir has the potential to be a great trophy fishery where "flies and lures only" regulations and "catch and release only" regulations could assure most anyone of consistently catching large trout. Large German Browns would clean up the chubs quickly and would protect the outlet and inlet streams.

I realize that Cutthroat trout were native to a lot of Utah waters, however I don't understand the initiatives to restore them to non-native waters (i.e. Strawberry Reservoir, Scofield Reservoir). There are species of fish that would be more desirable to anglers and make both Strawberry and Scofield destination fisheries. I don't fish Scofield as of now, so my hopes are that this will be considered for Strawberry as well. I would love to target Browns, Walleye, Northern Pike, Kokanee (which Strawberry already supports) and bass of any species that won't decimate trout populations. Don't get me wrong, I think Cutthroat Trout are a beautiful fish, but they aren't the heartiest creatures and I always seem to catch "cookie cutter" Cutthroats while at Strawberry, meaning in the slot limit size (15" - 22"). If there a significant changes made to Scofield that feature a bigger variety, I will definitely fish Scofield, since there is only approximately a 10 mile difference between the two reservoirs. It would be nice to be able to catch fish with some size too! Since we don't have rivers that flow in from the ocean, Utah's don't have opportunities for Salmon and Steelhead. Is it possible to plant Lake

Trout in these waters, or I once heard about landlocked King Salmon. Anyways, I may be speaking for myself, but I see good opportunity to make fishing more exciting in Utah, and I admit, I don't know the affects of each species to another. I hope Utah DNR is able to add some sustainable species to the above said waters. I believe that excitement created by adding more species variety to fisheries will create more interest and in turn more revenue both by enthusiasts visiting Scofield and at retail stores. I will elaborate shortly by saying that local retailers will have to diversify their fishing gear selection for anglers to target specific species. Thank you for hearing me out! [REDACTED]

I really enjoy fishing Scofield, we always come away feeling that the trip was worth it. I've had a couple of times lately that we haven't done as well as we usually do, but overall it's a great place to fish, and if we can make it even better with more predatory fish I'm all for it.

I really hope something can be done to bring scofield back to the way it used to be. My family loves it there and some of my best memories are of fishing there with my late grandfather.

I really like the direction you are taking and offering a chance for a public voice

I really like the wiper idea. Also could we start stocking rainbows again? It's been awhile.

I really like what is going on at jordanell

I refuse to fish scofield anymore until the chub problem gets under control. It was ridiculous the last time I fished there. Poison and start over if need be. I Remember 20+ years ago when Scofield Res. was poisoned and RAINBOW TROUT were planted. How nice it was the following several years to be able to take myself, my parents, my children to Scofield and be able to actually catch good sized fish that would fight and be good eating. Scofield was always busy, campgrounds were always full and many boaters in the years when the reservoir was properly managed and stocked with game fish that although were not necessarily "native" ie. Bonneville Cutthroat, but were good old fashioned RAINBOW TROUT that thrived, self reproduced and were catchable. Scofield Res. as you know is one of Utah's premier fisheries. How sad it has been to watch the quality of fishing and recreation decline over the past six-seven years or so with the mismanagement of the lake and trial species that did indeed eat crawfish, but the minnows, and the planted RAINBOW TROUT. As you know the past few years the only fish one could catch was a Tiger Trout but had to catch a chub first to use for bait, then could catch very few fish, they wouldn't respond to flies, or typical bait...then this past year can't even catch a Tiger only chub, chub, chub. No one goes to Scofield any more, no one fishes Scofield, no one camps there like they used to. The State of Utah must be loosing thousands of dollars from the under use of Scofield. Do the right thing and poison the reservoir, and it's tributaries, to kill chubs and few remaining Tigers and the very few skinny, non-fighting cut throat's and start over again with well stocked RAINBOW TROUT and Kokanee Salmon if Utah wishes to have an exiotic species in this gem of a fishery. Please let me know how I can help or if you wish anymore input from me. I have a summer home at Scofield and would like to have my family and friends once again want to come up to fish and have a good time all the while buying fishing licenses, paying to launch boat, paying and using campgrounds, buying fuel, food, bait, etc. all which helps Utah's economy. Sincerely, [REDACTED]

I remember the reservoir was treated with rotenone quite a few years back. (I think in the early 80's) It eliminated a good number of invasive fish targeted. I believe that the less damage to the "Good Fish" in the water should be the highest priority. (Rotenone Kill) Lets try the aggressive species of fish, and keep the rainbows, cuts, and tigers alive. They too are predators. In this circumstance, "the more, the merrier" I feel would have a positive effect on the waters. Rotenone should be the last resort.

I see Scofield as having so much potential as a purely natively fishery...perhaps it could even become a brood source. I would prefer to see only native species stocked into the reservoir. Who knows, such an assemblage may keep the bait bucket chub transporters away...

I spend most of my time on the lower stream. During algae plume, a large population of chubs were killed. The BOR reduced flows and killed a large population of fish downstream.

I started fishing Scofield in 2011. From 2011 to 2014 I loved Scofield as a trophy fishery. I fished it at least 15 times a year. I've caught my personal best Tiger (30") and Cutthroat (27") trout there. Every trip a member of my fishing group would catch fish 24" or larger... with several over 20". For whatever reason, in 2015 the trophy fishing dramatically declined and has not recovered. I still hit Scofield on occasion, but the primary reason is to catch chubs for use as cut bait elsewhere. I haven't caught a trophy fish at Scofield since just before Thanksgiving in 2014 and I currently don't plan to try this fall given the reports I've read from the gill net survey. If it's possible to return and maintain a balance of the lake as a "trophy fishery" from a few years ago, that is my strong preference. But I'm concerned a combination of the low water levels and prolific chubs do not make that condition sustainable. If not sustainable, I like the idea of trying wipers and walleye. If poisoning is the best route to get the chubs back to a manageable level, with the low water levels, now is probably a good time.

I strongly believe that the chub problem skyrocketed when the limit of trout was increased a number of years ago reducing the number of larger fish that would help keep the chub population down. If you reduce the limit of larger fish it should help the population rebound.

I strongly feel that the slot limits need to be raised on both Scofield and Strawberry. A 22" fish isn't large enough to eat the size of chubs that I encounter. I also think it would promote a more enjoyable fishing experience. I don't feel a 22" fish is a trophy fish and it seems that most of the time when someone catches a fish over the slot, they keep it. I would like to see the slot limit raised so that any fish between 16 and 24 inches be released. I believe those larger fish are critical to maintaining the chub population and too many people are taking the fish that are actually eating large chubs. I feel that Scofield cutthroat and tiger trout need to be placed on a catch and release basis for a few years to let them grow to a size that can help the lake recover. I do however enjoy going to Scofield at the beginning of the ice fishing season to stock up on chubs for the upcoming ice fishing season so I also hate to see them completely wiped from the lake. I would like to mention that I have not caught a trout over 16" in several years, but I remember catching a lot of nice fish in 2008, 2009, and 2010. I hope you take my thoughts into consideration and please feel free to contact me regarding the future of Scofield and Strawberry. [REDACTED]

I strongly support killing off all chubs and starting over with the species I previously marked.

I support a quick solution to this, rather than a solution that could take 20 years to complete. Generations of fishermen/youth will lose the great experience at Scofield should the current course of action continue.

I support a wider variety of fish over trying to kill off everything and start planting other fish. While trout fishing is primary at Scofield, catching a wiper, or other predators is OK, versus starting from scratch on trout only.

I support keeping Scofield a family oriented fishery, & I feel we have plenty of walleye & other 'exotic' opportunities around the state.

I support the full removal of chub by any means

I support the idea of adding sterile predator fish versus poisoning the chubs.

I think the DNR is doing a good job overall in the State. Thanks!

I think adding predators is a better way to go than poisoning the reservoir. It takes years to come back, only benefits bait fishermen for rainbows and it's a matter of time before there are chubs again like Strawberry. Predators provide another sporting opportunity and can attract more of a variety of sportsman.

I think bait fishing is killing too many fish. Seems that nobody in Utah except fly fisherman know how to release a trophy fish or any fish for that matter. So they grow to size to control these chubs and then get harvested. Would be great to see more artificial only fisheries and limits to keep trophies alive and well.

I think hybrid fish are a great choice for control of the trash fish in our fisheries. you can control the amount of predatory fish and still have a valued fish to be caught while getting control of trash fish.

I think if you bring in the walleye, that will help out.

I think introducing a stronger predator to many of the reservoirs in the state would help reduce baitfish populations, and allow many types of trout to survive. I think many people would support these two-tier fisheries (cool water predators/cold water fish). I am from Wisconsin, and there are very few lakes that are overrun with nongame fish in part due to the natural predators, even live minnows are allowed, since the predator/prey relationship is in very good balance. I am happy to hear you are actively trying to make these reservoirs better!

I think introduction of new species is a fantastic idea for scofield!

I think it is time to treat the lake. Replant species that will combat evasive species in the future. A great resource that that is being wasted for the last several years

I think it is time to treat the reservoir, the current plan has only led to a continued decline in the fishing at the reservoir.

I think it would be good to kill all the fish in the lake and start over again like before when all the Carp took over last time and now it's the Chubs this time. With the drought we are in and low lake level it may be a real good time to do it. I do fish there anymore because of the Chubs and before that because of the Carp. Thanks for putting out a survey! Great idea.

I think it's great that DNR is considering options other than rotenone to control chub populations in Schofield and other Utah reservoirs. While they probably compete with bass for forage (I've cut into wipers that are full of crawfish), I really enjoy catching an occasional wiper in lakes like Minersville Reservoir that have established populations of large trout. Wipers are a great fighting, great eating fish, and where they can be used as a control measure without harming other game fish stocks I'm all for it, especially since they're sterile and can't overrun a lake.

I think it's time to poison scofield and Id needs be the rivers flowing in and out of scofield, if the chub are found in large numbers like the reaervoir

I think its time to start fresh with this lake. Price river took a major hit any ways wen the river was shut off a couple years ago

I think killing it off would be the most effective way to get rid of the chub population in Schofield. Strawberry has thrived after treating it

I think killing off the lake, and then stocking tiger trout, cutts and rainbows in even numbers and adding wipers and brook trout. I think Brook trout would flourish in the lake and are great predators of chubs. I would love to have 500 - 1000 tiger musky added each year too to make sure chubs don't take over again. I also think it should be managed as a trophy fishers with a 15-24 inch slot for cutts and tigers and a 15-20 inch slot for rainbows and brook trout. We should turn scofield into a mini-Henry's lake with added wipers.

I think no matter what happens people need to not kill the predator fish and let them grow. look at the records that were being broke but when the fish start getting that size people start keeping them

I think removing the chub and putting walleye, tiger trout, and other predatory fish in the lake will help make it as strong as strawberry

I think Schofield needs more Tiger trout to help control the chubs. A large predator fish like the Muskie would be a great addition in smaller numbers, I believe with Schofield having such a larger area of shallower water would provide great habitat for the Muskie. And would definitely grow large Muskie that would rival what we have in Pineview res.

I think Scofield is best as a family fishery where 1-3 lb fish and an occasional larger one is possible! And a limit of say three-any size can be kept. With all the cabins there and people wanting a good fishing experience-few get that now- I just feel most-but I realize not all would be better served with a family type fishery! Thank you!

I think Scofield Reservoir should be a family fishing lake. It is small and surrounded by family cabins. It would be nice to have the smaller rainbows, browns, and cutthroat trout of the past. There used to be crawdads in the lake to. All of these provided great entertainment for the children and fathers, too. I think the lake should be poisoned and the trout populations of the past rebuilt.

I think Scofield should have been rotenoned prior to the current management scheme and then replanted with cuts,tigers, and rainbows. I realize the predators would have fed on the replanted smaller fish until a balance was reached, but at least the chubs would not have had such a head start and gotten to the current population level that is discouraging so many old time scofield fishermen. In my opinion, what has happened to Scofield is shameful when contrasted to it's historical recovery from previous rotenone treatments.

I think something needs to be done with Schofield it use to be a really fun place to fish but anymore it is just a place to go and catch trash fish sort of speaking. Something needs to be done to control the unwanted species of fish in Schofield I now go and fish Strawberry and I would hate to see what is happening at Schofield happen to Strawberry.

I think stocking larger fish would increase the reduction of chubs. Any thing under 6 inches just supplies food for the predators.

I think that back east they have smallmouth in there streams and rivers and they do very well I think that they would eat the chub and the river could be a trophy smallmouth fisherie and would be very successful.

I think that DNR needs to work on the streams around the lake so that they're more conducive to trout reproduction.

I think that rather than poisoning the reservoir the most productive approach would be flooding the lake with Wiper or Tiger Muskie. Although this would take a few years to take root it would be a better use of resources, plus anglers would have the chance to fish for predators that would grow fast in the lake.

I think that Schofield needs some changes made. But poisoning the reservoir only fixed the chub problem temporarily the previous time it was done. Some other permanent solutions should be explored.

I think that stocking Walleye is a terrible idea. They did the same thing at Deer Creek with terrible results. I think that poisoning the lake and starting over is going to be the best result to save Scofield.

I think that the utilization of aggressive Trout species as well as implementation of angler assisted Chub control would be more effective than adding another component to an already deeply complex and fragile ecosystem. Weekly Chub weight (total of weight contests for prizes provided by sponsors during peak season) would decimate the population pretty quickly.

I think that when UDWR kills off a body of water they need to let anyone catch as many fish any size for 6 months before killing that water. That would get more fish out of the area you will be treating. That would also support the area economy with people buying fishing supplies and food there.

I think that y'all do a great job helping keep the rivers and lakes of Utah great fisheries. I feel like there will always be reservoirs that just won't be that great, but I feel like the DNR is doing a good job. Strawberry for example is a great example of success. On top of that, I think what is being done for Milcreek canyon is really exciting. I'm not going to lie that I was mad that the fish were poisoned, but the new stock of cutts is awesome! Keep up the great work! You won't get any negative comments from me!

I think the biggest things is making the lake better for family's and bringing in more and more fish that on populate along with the hatchery. more camp sites that are shaded and bring in low cost fish boat rentals also.

I think the DNR does a good job generally speaking. I am ok to wait a few years if patience is what it takes for the current plan to take hold. However, I am not going to fish there when all I catch are skinny small cuts. I can catch plenty of them despite the chubs.

I think the dnr is moving in a very positive direction exploring angling opportunities with species such as wiper, walleye, pike and muskie. Trout are great and all but they can be caught in a vast majority of utah waters. I would like to see more places to fish bass as well as show better management of warm water species.

I think the DNR/DWR is doing a great job, I greatly appreciate and Respect the decision to reach out to the public for input. Great Job, Thanks for putting the fish in Fishing!!!

I think the low water levels of the past several years has made any kind of management of the reservoir almost impossible. The answers I gave in the survey about the amount I fish Scofield are what I used to fish it before the chubs showed up. I have only fished the reservoir a couple of times in the last three years. I'm afraid that unless we get some good water years that it won't matter what kind of management plan is put in place. It's sad!

I think the plant life in the lake are taking over much of the lake. Especially on the West End. Can this be controlled? I think the fish would winter better.

I think the slot limit is terrible. I would rather catch and keep more average size trout than fewer larger trout. I very seldom have success fishing scofield so would rather see rotenone or sterile aggressive fish than the current plan

I think the use of fish to attack the predator needs to happen with the understanding that it is only a temporary solution. You will be able to manage the numbers, but will that eliminate the chub? That information along with a timeline would be valuable to the public. If killing off all fish is an immediate success, but ruins fishing for a year over predator fishing that changes the fishery and only controls the chubs while they are there over the next ten years, I may change my vote.

I think the use of walleye to get rid of the chubs is a great idea and a great opportunity for sportsmen.

I think trying to better the fishery is great. Just wouldn't want to see warm water species introduced to a lake where they have never been. I'm willing to be patient with the fishery.

I think we need more warm water fish. I feel we have over done the catch and release. We need to teach people that it is OK to take home some good eating fish. We need to plant fish that do well in the lake or stream. That said we need to stop putting trout in low warm water lakes and res. Scofield is one of the lakes that is high enough to possibly support trout. I would like to see more walleye lakes in southern Utah. Do something with Yuba while the opportunity is here. I don't think much of Tiger Musky or Pike. I like to see Bass, Walleye, and Perch in more of the lower elevation res.

I think when you started planting tigers you didn't plant enough and went back to stocking too many rainbows too soon, Should have had a higher percentage of tigers 10 years ago

I think you do a great job managing our waters. I also think better education towards the public on how we can help make our waters better would be helpful.

I think you guys are doing a great job throughout the state. Thanks.

I think you should poison the lake and start a new by pulling late cuts out of strawberry and planting them there to eat all the chubs before they have a chance to even get too big to eat

I truly appreciate all of DWR's fisheries management efforts, as well as the Walk-In Access program.



I trust DWR will do what's best for Scofield and not what is the most politically correct. DWR do what it takes to return Scofield to the best fishery it can be.

I use to enjoy catching rainbow trout. Then tigers were fun. I like being able to keep a few nice fish, cutthroat are being put everywhere and have slot limits. Kill the res. And start anew. Scofield is what started me fishing again about 15 yrs ago. Thanks for your work. ■■■

I use to love fishing at Scofield. Now I hate it. Chubs have ruined it. Go back to stocking rainbows and killing chubs with chemical.

I used to fish Scofield 20 plus times a year. 20 plus inch rainbows and 20 inch of tigers consistent. I loved it, I then started catching chubs and haven't been since. It's a challenge, but I'd like a reason to go back. Good luck.

I used to fish Scofield all the time. In fact, this is the only place a really went as a kid and then up until 8 or so years ago. Then I switched to Strawberry. For me the issue wasn't so much catching chubs as much as it was catching smaller and smaller bows and cuts, and fewer numbers as well. I would very much like to go after the tigers, just haven't gotten there. I am against the killing off of the whole lake if at all possible as that has been done previously and now we are back to the same place. I think we need to be patient and try increasing the tigers and the cuts. I would also be for putting in walleyes and stripers if they are sterile and if the goal is to eventually have a lake without them. I guess if the chubs are in the tributaries then we may need to poison them, but not the lake if possible. I remember when Scofield was better than Strawberry. It would be nice to bring it back up again.

I used to fish scofield alot with my dad and my boys. we loved to fish there years ago when it was a rainbow fishery .now that it is just cutthroat the fun is gone .we loved to troll and ice there but we have not fished in 8 to 10 years. so for use and those I know don't fish there no more. I under stand there needs to be some kind of control on the chubs it needs a new start wipers and or walleye is a good choice.thanks for asking.

I used to fish Scofield often. It was my favorite trout fishery in the State, but the chub problem has kept me away for a fe years now. I believe Strawberry Reservoir is the perfect blueprint for the Scofield fishery moving forward. With a rotenone treatment and a management plan like Strawberry Reservoir, Scofield Reservoir could return to one of the best trout fisheries in the State. Thank you for allowing us to give input. It's great to know that you too care about this once proud fishery.

I used to live in cache valley 25 years ago. I used to fish below hryum dam before it was treated. After treatment the Fisher was not nearly as good. And the ruff fish came back I remember catching gold fish just a few later.

I used to love fishing years ago until the chub population took over. I would strongly support any measures that could be taken to improve the trout fishing experience at Scofield. It is truly a beautiful place to go fishing.

I used to love scofield I fished there all the time with my family. We never go anymore, the fishing is terrible and the chubs have Ruined it.

I used to love to fish Scofield. We would catch nice rainbows. Then you went to it being primarily a cut throat fishery and making that stupid slot limit. Now when I go there I catch small skinny cutthroats and no rainbows. I quit fishing there and it used to be my favorite place. Strawberry is a fine place for your cutthroats and slot limits and its large enough for everyone that wants that type of fishery but why have both fisheries within my fishing range with the same fish and regulations. Let the "purists" go to Stawberry they don't need both.

I want to love Scofield, but I don't. The fishing there is lousy. I love wiper though and if after killing the millions of chubs (rotenone) the wiper could be introduced there to help keep the chubs at bay. Well I would love that. It is a beautiful lake and not too far away. Please rotenone the chubs and plant wipers. I don't care about trout, but give me wipers.

I was hopeful that the cutts and tigers could win the battle with the chubs, but it is clear that they need help and I feel the best idea is the poison and start over. We used to spend almost every weekend during the winter as well as 50% of our summer weekends at Scofield. For the past few years the number of people fishing up there has dropped to almost nothing. For a few years the tiger trout fishing was spectacular but even it has gotten very hard to convince people to make the drive up.

I was just hoping that there will be a day where I can come to Scofield and enjoy a day of fishing without worrying about avoiding chubs. Thanks

I was living in Scofield when they poisoned the lake the last time. It took a few years to come back but the outcome was very positive. The fishing was very good for along time. I would hope to see that again.

I went fishing there twice this summer. I only caught chub. Repeat, only chub. Dozens of them. My group decided we wouldn't be going back ever again. I strongly support action to be taken.

I wish Scofield would go back to being a family fishery. I used to take my family there regularly. However, after several poor fishing days across different time of the year, we no longer go to Scofield. I hope you can return it to a family fishery.

I wish that it could be treated when the water is very low to help minimize the cost of treatment.

I wish the fishery was where it was 14 years ago. Catching 1 to 1 1/2 rainbows. After the treatment it has never returned. Sad I picked up 100's (several hundred) of chubs and 100's of dead bats during the algae bloom and not one trout. What ever was in the algae bloom, pH or chemically did more help to control the chub than the chemically treatment did. I'm (or my father) is there three to four times a week and see first hand the changes and don't feel they have been for the better. Bring it back please

I wish we could catch trout like we used to. Tired of catching chubs

I won't go back to scotland until the chubs are gone. No matter how many predator fish you stock, it won't matter. There are way too many chubs to control. Plant some predator fish to manage them after you've used rotenone a few years later.

I would be able to enjoy fishing more at Scolfield if there is more Cutthroat & Rainbow Trout.

I would clean the lake out and start over. Plant lots of rainbows, a few cuts. Lets bring it back to its hay day a great family fishery.

I would help with the draft plan but am currently on a one year church mission

I would like to express my opinion with regards to planting cutthroat so widely. while they are a native fish, they have very little fight in them and are a bore to catch. an example is, I target kokanee at strawberry and tiger trout at scholfield because there is so much more excitement in those two fish. cutthroat are like reeling in a boot. Browns are my favorite fish to catch, and I wish there was more dedicated fisheries for them. so I guess i will continue to take most of my money to other states to fish, because my fishing experience's are better there.

I would like to have lakes that are homes to specific ecosystems. Themed if you would, for certain groups of fish. There is a trend of placing top predators like Wipers Walleye and Muskies in lakes that already have many predators. I understand the reasons for this I just think different places should produce different things, instead of every lake having every type of fish.

I would like to help

I would like to make our lakes fun to fish. I also would like to have more camping areas. I would also like to have fish that fight and pull out fishing line instead having them just lay there as you reel them in. Thanks for your time and efforts to make fishing fun.

I would like to see a rapid removal of the chubs.

I would like to see Lahontan Cutthroat Trout introduced to eat the chubs this Cutthroat grows fast and large. I know there is a hatchery at pilot peak that raises the Lahontan strain of cutthroat. I would love to see the chub population controlled with Lahontan Cutthroat rather than posion or a non trout species.

I would like to see pike and bass in there

I would like to see Schofield managed as a trophy trout fishery, not a put and take fishery. I do not believe that wipers can survive in the cold water months and would not be a constructive use of funds.

I would like to see Scofield back to like it was 20 years ago when you could catch nice sized rainbow trout.

I would like to see Scofield brought back to what it was 10 years ago. It has great potential.

I would like to see the chub population reduced but not gone because the chubs are good food sources for tiger trout's. same with cuts. plenty food means big trouts. I have caught some big trouts there.

I would like to see the lake get back to where it was and eradicate the chub population.

I would like to see the lake poisoned, rather than use predator fish that could take years to control the chubs.

I would like to see the numbers of rainbows increased dramatically, and then go to artificial lures only, and make a true Trophy fishing lake,full catch and release only!

I would like to see wiper and sterile walleye used to get the chubs in scofield to a controllable level where the cutthroat and tiger trout could maintain control.

I would love to fish the lake given my proximity however I find myself going to the berry powell or joes because of the chub. Thanks for taking some action on the matter.

I would love to help more but am unable to at this stage in my life. I appreciate your efforts at helping scofield to again become a great fishing destination. Thank you!

I would love to help out with a project like this. I used to love fishing Schofield, but it's gotten so bad with chubs I don't really fish it much anymore. I say keep the chubs as food rather than killing everything.

I would love to see Scofield become a better area to fish.

I would love to see Scofield treated to remove the chubs and get this fishery back to where it used to be. I would love for my grandkids to have the opportunity to catch quality fish close to home.

I would love to see the chubs permanent managed with predator fish. I think wipers and or even muskie or northern pike would do a much better job of keeping clubs in check than cutthroat trout.

I would love to see the trout fishing back up to what it was 7-10 years ago. Those were some of my favorite times fishing, not just at sofield but in general. I do support the planting of other game fish to control the chub population, as my last trip to the Scofield produced 30+ chub with only 3 trout. With that said I would hate to see them over take the trout species in the lake as I do not target the other species mentioned in the survey, being walley and whiper. So as long as they dont hurt/prevent the trout species from being the main focus of the lake I say bring them in and down with chub!

I would love to see this fishery bounce back. Many childhood memories created there.

I would much rather see walleye and wipers in there over cutthroat. I believe those as well as big rainbows and Tiger trout would be more of a draw for anglers.

I would rather be able to fish than not

I would rather see the chubs netted in the creeks when they spawn than the lake treated with rotenone.

i would rather talk to someone face to face about what we can do, to best benefit scofield, i have been fishing for over 50 years and fished scofield alot of those years and when the reservoir was producing alot of good quality fish on a consistent basis.

I would really like to see more rainbow trout stocked in Scofield Reservoir. I think a lot of people prefer rainbows to cutthroats (much better fight and taste). I know there has been some trouble with them surviving with the past/current conditions. However, I believe rainbows could help to control the chubs through direct competition if they were stocked in conjunction with some coolwater sterile predators such as wipers and triploid walleye, preferably after a rotenone treatment. I think the chubs would be less likely to overpopulate if they were controlled from multiple angles.

I would really like to see scofield produce the trophy tiger trout it did a few years ago.

I would suggest having a tournament to help wipe out the chubs. Have one to see who can catch the most in an allotted time and who can catch the biggest chub. Have prizes that do not cost much or that are donated. Maybe for the winner a 1 year fishing license.

I would support a better water management plan to preserve the health of the downstream fishery.

I'd be interested in being on the management study team.

I'd like Scofield Reservoir to become as effective of a fishery as Strawberry Reservoir is, and to provide great breeding stock for the Bonneville Cutthroat for upper Fish Creek and the other tributaries.

I'd rather see predatory fish added rather than killing it all.

If a kill off plan is used, don't allow fishing at Scofield for at least one year to allow the trout to establish themselves there and grow.

If lake water levels get low enough to kill trout than I would be in favor of chemically killing the fish in the lake. I would be nice to get some large aggressive fish in our lakes. Cutthroat, even at larger sizes, are not good fighters.

If the current system is working, give it more time

If the Rotenone, would get every trash fish thats great, but back in the day with strawberry not all of the trash fish were removed.. Should be better at Scolfield because its not as deep as strawberry..

If Tiger Trout are used as predator fish, they need to be planted at a size where they will survive.

IF USING POISON PLEASE DO A COMPLETE JOB

If what you are doing is working don't panic and kill the entire lake/ river and start over. Tell us the public to be patient and regularly post your findings to keep us in the loop.

if you ad the walleye you should consider adding yellow perch it gives the walleye more to eat it keeps them away of the trout a little more and a grate fun fish to catch for family's i would defiantly go fishing there if there was walleye and perch there

If you do choose to kill all fish met now while water is low transplant good fish to electric, just over hill, but we really need the chub gone

If you plan rotenone treatment, let the poor fish with nets and electro shock prior to treating with rotenone.

If you're going to use Rotenone, don't put rainbows back in Scofield. Also, I would support the use of rotenone on lower fish creek if only native species were reintroduced below the dam

I'M A LITTLE DISSAPOINTED THAT I DIDN'T DRAW A DEER TAG THIS YEAR, IS THERE ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO HELP ME OUT?

I'm against the poisoning of any reservoir. Planting natural predators seems logical way to go.

I'm confident that the DNR has biologists who can answer all of these questions in a better way than I can. All of my answers are biased toward my satisfaction and not what is the best thing to do. Make them earn their keep and come up with a solution that works! I do, however, believe that there is far too much emphasis put on cutthroat. I understand they are a "native" but they aren't all that fun to catch and don't seem to be doing a good job controlling the chubs.

I'm glad to see that species other than cutthroat are being considered to control the chub infestation

I'm glad you are trying to solve the chub problem, I support anything that will reduce the chub population. Every year I catch more chubs and less trout and the trout are skinny

I'm more of a fan for wiper than walleye, but support both.

I'm not in favor of Rotenone in the Price River / Lower Fish Creek. I realize that the chubs are a problem below the dam, but down stream from the dam, the chubs give way to great cutthroat and nice brown trout. Thanks for all you do to make fishing great in Utah!!!!

Im not looking for a trophy fishery. Just no carp. Would love to catch bigger fish on upper and lower fish creek. Instead Pontown creek has bigger fish than upper fishcreek.

I'm really glad to see a push to help out the reservoir I've spent my most my life at (the town of Schofield primarily) I've been worried the last few years that it had been given up on. So thank you!

I'm sure there are many ways to control the chub naturally. But it seems at Scofield they are out of control. I enjoy catching other sport fishing like walleye as much as trout. Perhaps that is the alternate to poison. Keep up the good work in Utah and thanks for asking our opinion.

I'm willing to support you putting in cuts along with more rainbows if that continues to work, but I think that the water levels are a bigger issue



In the last firemen year the average catch size has decreased greatly. I thought the 8 fish limit was too high

increase and enforce penalties for planting chubs.

Instead trying to getting rid or having a better control of the chub population by introducing a more predatory fish, why not find a more suitable solution and figure out why the Chub problem ever became a problem in the first place. Given a government funded agency, I believe current resources would be better allocated towards monitoring all of Utah's wildlife entities. One solution would be better training and awareness for all DNR personnel. Personal interaction with DNR personnel have been fairly non-existence. When I do have the privilege to interact with an DNR officer/employee, their knowledge on the basic questions to fishing regulations is lacking. This is one of many solutions that could be implemented and be cost effective. An aggressive grass-root study would be optimal.

Is it really necessary to treat the river below the dam? I oppose purposefully treating the river below the dam, but I am not opposed to collateral damage if treated water released from Scofield effects the river. In its present condition, Scofield is a waste of time to fish as a family.

Is there a way to stock more tiger rather than walleye??

It appears managing the chubs with cutts and tiger trout is either not working or will take too long to work. I believe rotenone should be used to jump start the recovery process.

It definitely needs treated ASAP! Hope to see big tigers again in the future, as well as new fishing opportunities.

It has been over managed

It is a waste of money to stock cutthroat. They can not survive catch and release the slot limit wastes fish. cutthroat and rainbow are good eating. Not good predators brown trout survive catch and release well. When you spend the money to go to strawberry or schofield you should be able to take a couple fish home. It is my opinion your management plan at schofield or strawberry is not working. why isn't strawberry full of big fish? I think you need to stop wasting money on tiger or splake trout.

It is great to see you reach out for public input. Follow the research for what is best depending on what the public wants for Scofield as a fishery. Long-term focus generates best results.

It is obvious that something needs to be done to control the chub population. I think that the cutties and tigers are helping, but the chubs numbers are increasing. I think you guys know better than anyone what needs to be done. Tiger Muskie would be amazing... walleye and wipers would help too, but Tiger Muskie are awesome!

it looked to me like a lot of chubs were killed by the algae i,m there a lot lthink you should plant larger game fish as i have watched pelicans eat truck loads small planters

It once was a destination res in Utah which it is no longer. I'd love to see it return to its glory!

It seems like as soon as the tiger trout were introduced the trout fishing went down hill. I dont catch as much and often get skunked. I my be wrong but the tiger trout seem to be eating alot of the rainbows and cuts.

It seems like the solution is always "kill everything and stat over". It takes years for fish to get to an interesting size after rotenone and restocking

It seems vegetation control of some type may be necessary. Bank fishing seems to be deteriorating.

It sounds like you are trying to protect the river downstream at the expense of the fish in the reservoir.

It used to be one of my favorite places to fish. Now just millions of tiny tiger trout and chubs. Poison it now while it is nearly drained!

It would also be useful to identify and limit the sources of nutrients getting into the lake. There's way too much algae growing throughout the lake, with severe eutrophic conditions in Spur Bay.

It would be fun to have a place with trophy trout that kids could catch and release.

It would be great if the regulations at Schofield could be simplified. You almost need a secret decoder wheel to break down all of the various rules you have to consider before making a fishing trip there.

It would be great to get rid of the chubs. I stopped going there because they are so bad and it seems like the trout population has suffered. I would be for the poisoning of the lake and starting over but the idea of other predator fish is a good idea also. Or start over and stock wiper and walleye when the restocking happens. Thanks for giving this lake some thought.

It would be great to know the statistics on the chub population. You says it is working, but every time I go it appears to be worse. Some catch net number or something would be good for the public to see. There are some great size fish in there and it would be a shame to poison them, but if there is no other alternative to get rid of the chub, roetene should be used.

It's a shame what Scofield has become. Some of my fondest memories growing up are ice fishing and trolling around in a little tin boat on Scofield. Now my kids are missing out due to the wait and see attitude of the DWR. The lake should have been poisoned ten years ago. Immediate action needs to be taken. Please don't let this reservoir go to waste any longer.

It's sad to see where it is now compared to 5 years ago. My young kids don't like to fish there very much. I've fished Scofield since I was a small boy and fished hard 10-20 years ago. I loved the quality. I think that you are on the right track. I would love to see the 2-4 lb. trout in there again and the big Tigers make a come back. It takes time.....Thank you for your efforts.....

It's time move on and treat the reservoir.

It's time to treat this lake.

I've been fishing at Schofield my who'll life and I've watched it go from a family get away to a family discust. I've been waiting for it to be poisoned so we can have the nice bows that I remember not the malnourished shoelaces we have today.

I've fished Scofield since the late 50's and have always had a great time catching fish until the last few years. I used to love eating nice, fat trout from there but those days seem to be gone and I'm sad to see that happen. I've seen it poisoned a number of times over the years but it's always bounced back. I look forward to the day when I can actually catch a trout I can take home!

I've grown up fishing mountain streams and enjoy cutthroat fishing more than any other sport fishing. I have watched introduced species to native cutthroat areas devastate the population and quality of cutthroat fishing. I feel that it is important to provide opportunity for everyone but also protect natural fish areas and limit the number of stocked fish to these areas. Sterile fish are like wolves, they eat more than just the trash fish, they also take out the natural fish. They might be fun for some to catch but they take away more than they add.

I've seen Scofield decline over the last few years. I understand the hope was to have the cutts and tigers eat the chubs but it didn't happen obviously. Would another predatory fish make a dent now? Perhaps it's time to poison and start over like strawberry.

I've stopped fishing Scofield in years due to low productivity. Very impressed with tiger trout fisheries elsewhere in the State. A Tiger/Cutthroat combination with aggressive management following the treatment of the reservoir seems like a good idea, but if aggressive management alone could avoid treatment and produce a quality fishery in 1-3 years that may be in option. I do not support introduction of non-salmonid gamefish.

Just a big thank you for all that you do

Just bring it back to the way it was if not do it like you did to strawberry

Just do whatever is needed to get rid of chubs. I haven't been there for months because catching chubs isn't worth going when there is strawberry that's the same distance. Other species would be fun to catch but the quicker the better.

Just don't have the free time in my life right now to be helping anyone draft or come up with a plan for anything.

Just get rid of the chub and start over. Keep scofield a trophy tiger trout fishery

Just keep up the good work. Maybe increase patrols for violators on PWC, Boats, and shore fishermen alike. ( license, limits, speed on the water, etc )

Just kill off the lake and start over. Look how fast and amazing strawberry came back, people will complain but, in the long run, it will be much, much better and, seems like to me, a lot cheaper.

Just kill the lake, start over the right way this time with the immediate stocking of fish that prey on chubs

Just plant the walleye and wipers

Just poison it and let's move on.

Just protect lower fish creek as much as possible. My favorite stream fishing in utah

Just really need to get the chubs under control we wait all year to fish upper fish creek I was highly disappointed that I was catching chubs in upper fish creek

Just that I think the plan you are on is a good plan. I enjoy Scofield a lot. I think the predator idea is the way to go. If I am not mistaking the Rotenone was introduced once before. The fishing was destroyed for a few years, and now it is going well. I would hate to have to wait for the fish to get back to the size they are now.

Just that SOMETHING obviously must be done. Scofield used to be such a great place to bring the family, and we could expect to catch a few rainbows and have a wonderful time. Now it's not a place I even consider going to.

Just that the fishery as a whole has suffered lately. It is not near as good as it used to be.

Keep anglers involved in decision making processes concerning fisheries in Utah.

Keep doing the great job that you are doing!

Keep it a trout-only fishery please

Keep managing it , don't kill it

Keep muskies and walleye out of scofield

Keep the Trout, Let them Get Big and the Chub will soon be gone.

keep trying.....

Keep up the good work. Looking forward to fishing at schofield come spring :)

Keep up the good work

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Keep up the good work

Keep up the good work and catch the idiots that illegally stock non-native species.

Keep up the good work but Utah lake would be a better project to focus on

Keep up the good work chubs are hard to beat.

Keep up the good work guys. Without you all, our lakes and streams would be ruined.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

Keep up the good work!

keep up the good work!

Keep up the good work!

keep up the good work!

Keep up the good work! Oh, quit spending so much dang money and time with June Suckers. They're suckers, almost like a chub.

Keep up the good work!!

Keep up the good work.

Keep up the good work.

keep up the good work. DWR and Trout Unlimited have done a great job of managing fisheries and wildlife habitat. Rock on dudes. (and dudettes)

Keep up the good work. You're under appreciated and under paid for all that you do.

Keep up the good work. I love some of the changes you have made adding new species to pursue throughout the state. I'm glad to see you are seeking input on Scofield, obviously something needs to change to get those snaky looking trout healthy again and I think a white meated predator fits the bill.  
Keep up the good work. Scofield is a premier fishery in Utah and I would love to see it stay that way. Rotenone isn't always the answer in my mind, I see it as more of a last resort. I understand stand the need for quick results in our society that wants results the next day. However, there will still be recovery time needed for the fishery to return to where it was. With chub, there is also a high risk of not killing all the fish and having the populating slowly creep back. Then there are the buckets biologist that might reintroduce them to the reservoir anyway negating the treatment. Having the predatory fish in there might have a slow start but could have a longer term buffer on the population of the chub. Things you probably already thought of but just my 2 cents.

Keep up the good work. You guys are doing an awesome job.

Keep up the great work! I have lived in many western states, Utah has the best fisheries by far.

Keep up the great work. I like that you are asking for opinions and assistance rather than just dumping chemicals or introducing another species. The problem is that if we just put a band aid on the problem and restock, some idiot will just reintroduce the chub again. We have to be proactive and think of long term solutions.



Keep up the ood work.

Kill by netting the chub below the spillway, when they are in pre -spawning .

Kill it off

Kill the chub but don't hurt the trout. Easier said than done i'm afraid

Kill the chub good luck

Kill the chubs

Kill the chubs any way you can..poison the lake if necessary.

Kill the chubs with another predator not poison

Kill the chubs!

Kill the chubs... by any means necessary. Scofield was an awesome fishery 10-15 years ago until the limit was raised on the Cutts, which lead to a chub takeover. I don't even fish Scofield anymore because it's not worth it. You catch small cutts and a lot of chubs.

kill the lake

Killing all fish and restocking is expensive and stupid. It is only a matter of time before someone reintroduces chub again.

Kokanee

Lahontan Cutthroats from Pyramid Lake (pilot strain) are incredible!

Last time Scofield was treated and restocked the fish limit and possession limit was too high for too long in my opinion.

Leave the Northern Pike in Utah Lake!

Lets bite the bullet and treat the Lake. Using predators will take years if it works at all. The native fish are suffering and people are going elsewhere to fish.

Let's get Scofield back on track! I like taking kids scouts fishing there and my grand kids. Surely things have changed the past 10 plus years,not sure if the whole cut throat thing really works?

lets get the chubs out of there and get our awesome fishery back

Like the questionnaire states the Utah Chub has been a problem, I feel by poisoning it would only be a band aid again. It would only be a matter of time before the Chub was back in the waters, introducing predator fish will keep the population at bay.

Look at the management system for Strawberry. Utah chub will never go away... But, a healthy predatory population, combined with strong slot limits to protect those predators, will make a huge impact on the chub population, and help ensure a healthy, balanced fishery.

Look forward to getting Schofield back on track as a great trout fishery in the state.

Look what happened to Utah lake when they thought it was a good idea to stick carp. The lake is ruined and will never recover. It was once the most beautiful lake in the state and full of trout. Now it's a shallow swamp full of trash fish.

Looking at New options is good

Looking forward to y'all fixing Scofield. I enjoy ice fishing down there early in the season.

Love me some walleye! What can we do as a public to help get rid of the suckers, algae, and muscles

Love the ice fishing season at Scofield, maybe more functions or tournaments weather permitting would be great! Something big!!! Bring a crowd...

Love the tigers. I've personally never caught a chub there but I never bait fish. Most of the lures I use are large. Keep up the good work.

Low water is a big issue, ( as it is with many lakes around the state) I think the dam control and the amount of water that is let out of the lake needs to re-evaluated. Thanks....

Lower Fish Creek is one of my top 3 favorite places to fish in Utah! Being that I am all for reducing/eliminating the Chub population in Scofield Reservoir. I however would not like to see anything happen to the Beautiful Trout in or below the reservoir.

Lower fish creek must Not be effected if the is poisoned.

Make fish creek a catch and release stream. We have seen coolers of +27" taken out on a daily basis on the opening day of fishing. This should be considered a catch and release stream to keep the cutthroat stocked up in the streams throughout the year

Make it good like it use to be. It sucks bad. Cuts not fun to catch.

Make it policy to Kill all Chub caught.

Make Scofield great again!

Make sure all Scofield park workers tell all angler's if they catch any chubs DO NOT release them back into the water unless they are DEAD.... Also have park employees let all anglers know tipping their lures or bait with chub meat the tiger trout love chunks of chub.....

Make sure the predatory fish that are planted are of enough size that they are not immediately prey and will survive.

Make this fishery fun to fish again by putting catchable quantities of fish that is diverse in nature like it used to be. I would welcome stripers if compatible with rainbows or German browns.

Making this Res a multi species lake would be excellent. Meaning stocking of Walleye, Wiper, Tiger Muskie or Northern, Small and large Mouth. This would be all the more reason to fish this lake by most from what I would guess.

Manage for bigger class brown and tiger trout.

Manage lakes & rivers so fisherman catch & keep larger sport fish like trout, walleye, & bass.

Manage the chub with predatory fish

Manage the Fisherman, only allow one tiger or cutthroat. Or a slot if tiger gets so big put them back.

Many years ago I remember when Scofield Reservoir was treated to kill all the fish. It was a sad day to see some amazing trophy fish killed because of invasive species. I believe other options like planting sterile Walleye and Wyper and continuing to stock Cutthroat and Tiger Trout should be tried first for several years. If that doesn't decline the invasive species enough, then I would consider supporting treating the water to kill all the fish and start over. I just don't think we are at that point yet, and hopefully we will not need to do that.

Maybe a contest for angles that the most chubs caught & killed each week would be awarded prizes. (Like Strawberry). Angles would be less likely to release them. It would be fun for young angles to receive a prize. Competition is always fun.

Maybe we need to implement whats being done at Strawberry

me and my family has always enjoyed fishing at Scofield and still do but most of what we catch now are chubs thank you for looking into restoring Scofield back to the res we have always enjoyed.

Monster trout have come out of Scofield! I would suggest poison as a last resort to getting the chub out.

Moore Colorado cutthroat and rainbow like old times

More big trout!

More panfish and eyes along with wipers, muskys etc. You guys are doing a good job getting those started at some reservoir but need more!!

more public access on the shore would make this a much more appealing place to go.

More species of fish to bring in more people.

More support of bass and pike and water management at Yuna

Most recent haul from Scofield were rainbows that looked like sardines about 12 inches with 1 1/2 in girth. Very troubling.

Multi species management is working, it makes fishing more fun when the options aren't just catch or not. My boys love starvation in the winter we can have fun all day switching from non biting species to another. We fish flaming gorge and strawberry in the summer for the same reasons. Kokanee are also a huge win so kudos with the current management policies.

My concern about poisoning the Reservoir is that not all the chub will be eliminated, and they will be back. Just like in strawberry.

My concern regarding Scofield and the Price River below is primarily water management, more so than stocking programs. I have been fishing on the price when there appears to no river flow whatsoever and I have seen Scofield so low that the fish have little room to move. I would strongly support water conservation campaigns that could help to reduce the extreme fluctuations. Thanks for all your hard work and efforts with fishery management in our state, as an angler there is a lot here to be proud of.

my dad use to take me to scofield every weekend to fish.we would have a great time it was a great time and now i like to take my sons daughters and grand kids there but all we catch is chubs and with the slot limit and restrictions we hardly catch any fish we can keep i love to eat fish i under stand a 4 fish limit back in the day it was eight it is at scofield where i gained my love for fishing i went several times last year and only caught chubs and small cut throats i have not caught a rainbow for a couple of years there i love it when you could go camp catch fish and eat them for breakfast but now chubs have over taken the lake there are plenty of so called trophy fishing areas please make scofield like it use to be thanks

My dad, my son and I caught over 200 chubs last winter in about 6 hours. only caught around thirty trout (and released), all were small trout. We need something to eat all these chubs. The chubs were fat and the trout were skinny.I dont have an answer but I am sure there is one. Thanks for trying to fix the problem.

My family has had a vacation home in Scofield for nearly 30 years. We've seen the ups and downs of the reservoir over the years. What we've come to believe is that, due to Scofield's proximity and ease of access to Salt Lake and much of central Utah it gets a LOT of pressure when the fishing is worthwhile. If you're going to time and assets into fixing the problem on Scofield continued management and monitoring is crucial. No more raising fish limits and not monitoring what is going in and coming out of the lake.

My family has owned property along the lake since the early 60s. We have pictures of family members fishing Scofield before the second dam was built. We love it there and have spent countless hours at our cabin and fishing the lake. The last several years have been very disappointing and it is due to the chub in the lake. I would love to be able to catch cutthroat and rainbow trout like we could 6 or 7 years ago. I am not an angler looking for giant fish just strong enough numbers to catch my limit and have them for dinner. The way it was was wonderful, and that is where it needs to return.

My family ice fishes at Strawberry. We would like to add Scofield for ice fishing if the chubs were not so extreme.

My last few trips to Scofield have not been very productive. I fly fish and practice catch and release. I would love to see some trophy fishing for Tiger and Cutthroat Trout become available in Scofield.

My main concern is to see the Blue Ribbon stream below the Dam restored... the fishing has deteriorated significantly over the past 10 years. This could be as much to do with the water flow management as the Chub problem. Please have someone look into this... The fishing is just not good there anymore and I love that river!

My main concern is upper Fish Creek. It is my favorite place to fish in Utah and produces huge cutthroat trout. I am strongly against poisoning the tributaries of Scofield Reservoir because it not only kills all the fish, but all other aquatic creatures too. This in turn affects the whole ecosystem (amphibians, birds, beaver, etc.).

My personal feeling is it should be restocked or poisoned then let sit for a year. Then place wanted new fish in and not reopen until new fish are established. They did that to Strawberry in the sixties to kill the Perch they were considered at that time a trash fish? then they had a chub problem in 90s poison fixed that. I might be off on the dates a little but it worked

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Need kill the lake and start over

Need more shoreline accessible to public.

need start over kill the lake in these low water years !!!!

Need to find a balance between predator fish and chubs. there needs to be a chub population in order to grow large trout in Scofield, but too many chubs is obviously the problem right now.



Need to get scofield back to a good place to take your family to catch fish that you don't need a boat. I think there are enough sport fishing reservoirs in the area i.e Joe's valley, starvation etc.

Need to rotate the year round fishing from year to year.. Year round fishing is hurting Utah resivours

Need to take responsibility for AIS prevention away from state parks and give it to someone who cares about the program.

Nice reservoir and campsites. Well taken care of.

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No I love the place

No chubs please

No cutthroat. They are worthless

No mater what you do somebody will unhappy

No more chubs please.

No more walleye or wipers please

No only hope that when and if you do a clean up of the chubs, that we don't have the mess on the shore from the death of these last chubs on the lake front. We are always left to clean up the mess, and its making boating on the lake now great now as it was a year ago.

No only ten years to late on trying to do something just like Yuba reservoir

No, but thank you for considering our input.

No, Do not have the education in fish fisheries to offer any help or constructive comments, Just an average Joe

no.

No. You do a great job!!

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None

None as of right now, but I do appreciate the fact that the DWR is aware of the present problems at the reservoir and sounds like there may be action taken to help. I am enrolled in the dedicated hunter program and live very close to the reservoir. I would be willing to help do a lot of tasks that need to be done. Just phone or email.

none at this time

None at this time

None constructive

None.

Nope



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Nope. :)

Not against wipers or sterile walleye but think sterile rainbow would help bring this lake back to a family fishery

not at the moment

Not at the moment

Not at this time

Not at this time

not at this time

Not at this time

Not now.

Not really

Not sure I'm qualified to be on a planning board

Not sure why we are looking at any other predators when it is already established that cuts and tigers have done their job. Walleyes and wipers cant eat the full grown chubs either. I think we need to do what previous biologist recommended while lake is near historic lows to use less rotenone.

Nothing you haven't covered. The chub have taken over, so I support a plan to mitigate, but we walk a fine line on how that is accomplished.

now would be a perfect time to treat the lake low water and the stream flow stopped

Off fishing subject.-- the decrease in cow Elk tags for the Scofield area would be good due to the burned out units in knuckwoodward and the extensive logging in the area of Eccles canyon. Let the elk herds come back.

One of the main issues I have with fisheries management in Utah is that the vast majority of waters are essentially managed for put-and-take. Yes there are marginally effective slot limits on certain waters which are rampantly disobeyed, but overall the approach is similar. We need some true trophy fisheries in Utah. Other states have waters that are so sought after for trophy fish that micro-economies get created around them (such as Henry's Lake, ID). Scofield is a great size and location to be a trophy fishery and it should be artificial fly and lure only and catch and release only.

Only that something should be done to return Scofield to what it can be. It has been a great fishery in the past.

Only, that I appreciate the DWR, DNR including the anglers of the state in some of these decisions.

Open fishing to catch and release trout and no limit on chub for 2 years then open with new rules like at Strawberry.

#### Open-Ended Response

Originally I felt that the current plan is working, however with the reservoir at the current levels and continuing down hill since 2007. I now feel strongly about starting over and using the poisoning approach while the reservoir is so low. As to the Walleye and Wipers it seems to me that when they are introduced to reservoirs the trout fishing diminishes. The other issue I have always had with Scofield Reservoir is the vegetation growth and algae in the summer months which makes it very difficult to fish in the summer months. I would really be interested in learning more about the current plans and if there are more of the public that feel as I do with the lake levels.

Over all the state has done a good job with the fishing for the last few years.

over all your doing a good job!

over last couple years chubs have got out of control

Patience. Chubs grow big fish. Don't cave to "public" pressure with arm chair qb degrees in biology. Though it's likely way off the radar, if you're going to stock predatory non native fish, pilot peak Lahontan would do what you're seeking to accomplish in eating chubs. Also in favor of more musky waters to relieve pressure from Pineview.... seems like something that would be a fit.

Patrol more closely people harvesting incorrect size and species. Restrooms on west side of reservoir.

Pease bring back the lake to the Jewel once was.

People are tired of slot limits and Cutthroats are no fun to catch. I would rather have browns or lake trout, I've also noticed the crayfish are way down in numbers at schofield. Fishing is so poor up there that I was skunked the last 3 times while ice fishing. I wont go back until something is done.

perch seem to have took care of the chub problem at starvation res.

Personally I would rather not see any effort put into cutthroat at Scofield. I would much rather see other species being concentrated on. I don't like catching cuts, I don't like eating cuts as far as I am concerned might as well catch chubs as cuts.

Plant bigger fish 2-4 inch

Plant fish that reproduce themselves for control and sport fishing.

Plant larger brown trout and tiger to manage the chubs

Plant more Brown trout

plant more rainbows and tigers

Plant sterile predators in the reservoir, do what is necessary to remove the chubs from the river below. Fish Creek used to be one of my favorite fisheries in Utah. It's a damn shame how it has been mismanaged. Make the BLM pay for the restoration of the river since they shut it off during the spawn, effectively killing an entire generation of trout and allowing the chubs to run wild. There's no sense in poisoning the river until you handle the lake above. Go in during the winter/early spring with casting nets and remove the chubs. You won't get them all, but you could put a large dent in them while they are schooled up and the water is low. Continue stocking efforts of catchable sized browns, tigers, and cutts to restore the balance.

Plant tiger muskie and have them go to work on the chubs. Then when you don't want them anymore take the regulations off on them. One officer said they would be dormant to long but there in pineview and johnson and seem to be doing fine along with joes valley all those lakes stay frozen awhile

Please bring back the awesome fishing that Scofield has been known for!

please bring back this reservoir to its past days. Used to be our favorite place to go.

Please bring the old Scofield back the way it used to be with plenty of 20 inch football sized rainbows with the occasional nice cutthroat thrown in like it was prior to 7-8 years ago...

Please build structure in the lake to create more habitat

Please create trophy fisheries where there is a chance to catch really big fish.

Please do not add fish to scofield that don't belong. I have fished my whole life at scofield one of the things my whole family loves its catching trout. I miss catching rainbows well over six pounds at scofield. I will admit I have a few fish on my wall from scofield that are tigers and cutthroat but nothing better than a rainbow that has been eating crawdads. my vote poison and then replant. lots of us will patiently wait while the fishing gets better. but please dont put more fish like walleye and wipers. i love catching them but Ill travel to a lake to target them if that is what I am after.

Please do not kill it off with rotenone, there could be a world record tiger in there and I'm gonna get it. Just put tiger Muskie in there and keep stocking tigers and cuts. And walleye sounds good to

Please do not poison Lower Fish Creek below Scofield Reservoir. That is a fantastic brown trout and cutthroat trout fishery and it would be a completely disgusting waste to destroy. It is currently a favorite stream of mine, please just leave it alone. If you do decide to poison it, only poison the area that is above the DWR access near the third railroad bridge. Contrary to popular belief, the whole stream is not infested with chubs.

Please do not put other as a gender selection in the future surveys

Please do not put other types of fish into Scofield as fishermen can go to other places to get them and you can't be sure they will do what you say and could make it worse for us fishermen

please do not turn Scofield into another Joes Valley. Very slow fishing with the primary target being tiger musky.

Please do something different. The current plan is a complete failure

Please do something. This reservoir is beautiful and holds tremendous potential

Please do something. This lake is a joke. It's very close to my home but is not productive enough for me to spend a lot of iMessage on. I much prefer Strawberry as do many others who used to love scofield. This puts too much pressure on Strawberry. If you won't poison it, close it to fishing for a couple years and put a large amount of bigger cutthroat / predatory fish to knock down the chubs.

Please establish another Tiger Muskie fishery like Joe's Valley Res. Both Tiger Muskie and Splake appear to be doing well in that lake.

Please fix the algae bloom!

Please get rid of the chubs and restock with trout, walleye and small and large mouth bass.

Please get rid of the chubs like you did the purch

Please get Scofield back to what it once was.

Please immediately restore this fishery to the way it once was. Stocking predator fish will take far too many years.

please in fixing the chub problem do not mess up the fishing

Please just get it wright

Please just get rid of the chubs it's taken the icefishing to no fun

Please make Scofield as good as Strawberry lake!

Please make scofield want it was! I miss fishing there.

please manage lower fish creek better it has gone down hill with the unexpected water shut off and the lack of fishing reports make it hard to want to fish there

Please more walleye, they do just fine with other species in deer creek, starvation, american falls in idaho and several other western waters

please only use rotenone as a very last thing I would give the fish time to do the job

Please please do something more than just tiger trout and cutthroat to control the chubs it is out of control. You can't keep them off your hook long enough to catch any other species!

Please restore Schofield to a family oriented fisheries. There are enough trophy lakes but very few family friendly reservoirs. I have fished Schofield since the age of 4 and the last 20 years have seen a steady decline in quality and fun in the fishing experience. It is wrong that I must take my Granddaughter's fish and throw it back because it is a 1/2 inch short. It is traumatic to the child. Not only is it wrong but it discourages the children from ever going fishing again. Families are where the future fishermen are going to come from so family friendly opportunities are more important than trophy sites. Schofield should be trout only. I consider Walleye and stripers as trash fish, no better than the chubs.

Please start stocking rainbows again!!!

Please stay with the trophy trout fishery. IF we have to use predators please use a sterile one that will die out eventually

Please stock with more Kokanee!

Please stop planting cutthroat trout and more tiger trout tiger trout grow faster and eat more chubs than cutthroats

Please take immediate action to eliminate the chub population. Boils of chubs throughout this body of water have ruined fishing.

Please use Rotenone and poison Schofield res

Please work on making Deer creek a better fishery too. less bass more walleye/perch

Please, if cutthroat is needed put in a species that is fun to catch. Bear Lake cuts are not fun to catch.



Poison the lake and start over with Rainbow. Fish is nothing like it was 5-10 years ago. We have a cabin there and it's our family's favorite lake. Please don't introduce more predators.

Poison the lake, put Tiger trout, Brown trout, and Rainbow trout in the lake. You may need to Poison fish creek as well there's thousands of chubs in it. Stock the stream with brown trout, cutthroats and rainbows.

Poison and start over

Poison and start over.

Poison it and start over. Increase penalty for illegal transplanting fish.

Poison it, start over. I don't have any more patience with this reservoir. I couldn't care less about native fish down stream especially if they are endangered because we don't really fish for them anyway.

Poison the lake

Poison the lake again so I want to fish there. Currently I dislike catching 1 trout to 20 chubs and will continue to fish Electric lake instead of Scofield

Poison the lake now where it is low. Plant Rainbows, tigers, browns, and perch instead of cuts.

Poison the lake or introduce different species. The lake is pathetic with those chubs that are bigger than the stock cutthroats.

Poison the lake which has always produced good years shortly after, But introduce the predator fish before the chub population gets a stronghold, which has always happened during the 3 treatments in my lifetime.

Poison the reservoir and tributaries now while the water is low. Restock with 8-9" Rainbow trout, and give it a couple years to get established again. Then raise the limit back to eight fish per day to make it worth a families time to traveling the distance to catch fish they can keep. This allows the fishermen to control the fishery not the predator fish.

Poisoning all the fish and starting over has not worked before. Try predators

Poison at this point is the only solution. at this it is to overrun with chub the tiger and cutts cant handle it.

Possible netting to remove large Chub

Predator diversity with sterile hybrids has minimal risk.

predatory trout is my wish but please no slot limits. maybe lower catch limits on the tigers and cutts

Professional Advice: My career for 50 years has been in Biological Sciences. The Predator vs. Prey Project Plan has failed at Scofield. "Fishing in Utah is headed for extinction if changes are not made soon to encourage families and children!" Strawberry is declining rapidly especially the past three years. Planting no rainbows at both fisheries is compounding the issue. The evidence is seen with lack of young people fishing. Scofield failed quickly due to the smaller size of the reservoir and eight to four fish limit. Strawberry is much larger and is failing at a slower rate for the General Public. The past three years Strawberry has declined significantly. Stand at any marina and listen to the fishermen. Summary: My family use to fish Scofield a couple times each week. In two years I've been there once with three grand children. A 160 mile drive to catch one six inch chub all day was a disaster. I'm OK with just fishing. The grand children told me, "No more fishing grandpa!" Strawberry use to be the best fishery in Utah until they rotenoned it. The rotenone was needed. The restocking with cutthroat and sterile rainbows caused the present issue. It has never been the same since. The fishery use to focus on families and fishing. Now it targets specialty fishermen. The saying in the 70's was, "10% of the fishermen catch 90% of the fish." I was one of the 10%. I am now the other 90% of the fishermen who fish three or four times each week and catch nothing but slot cutts. My children fished with my wife and I in the 70's, when they had fun catching rainbows at Scofield and Strawberry. The grand children loved fishing until Scofield went to the four limit. My eight adult children and sixteen grand children will not go fishing anymore. Two generations of fishermen gone! Six trips to Strawberry this year. Most fishermen are older men with an occasional wife. In my wife's words, when I asked her to go fishing with me, her reply was, "No! Why fish!" My reply, "Maybe a boat ride or the scenery!" Her final reply was "OK on the boat ride and scenery but still NO on fishing. No poles!" Her point was clear. Question 1: Why destroy a fishery by introducing cutthroats and tigers to control chubs and have the majority of fishermen out of the formula of fishing? Question 2: What are the biologists with UDWR thinking when they planted fifty 23 inch cutthroats in at least five of the local community ponds around Utah within the past year where they plant 8-9 inch rainbows for family fishing? I assume they wanted to feed the cutts. UDWR has struck out at Scofield. They followed Strawberry Plan which is on strike two this year. Strawberry will strike out soon if UDWR does not start planting fertile

rainbows and back of predators vs. prey mind set. My suggestion: Rotenone Scofield and the tributaries! Do Scofield correctly to encourage families and children. Rainbow and Kokanee are best for the general public. Kokanee for the specialized fishermen and rainbows for the general fishermen and families with children. Do not use sterile rainbows. Do not use Strawberry Management Project Plan! Keep Scofield closed for two years then open it back to eight fish limit. Let the people control fishing by fishing for rainbows and kokanee. Thank you for considering my comments. I would like to offer input on the Fishery Management Plan but I'm hesitant spending time and the biologists do their mind set anyway.

Public access to Scofield reservoir is decreasing, as is true of all major reservoirs in this state. It is necessary to purchase a state parks permit at \$35.00 a year in addition to a fishing license to get on the water. At the same time, fish limits are decreasing and fishermen are being regulated to death with slot limits, species limits, and tackle restrictions. Fishing is not fun anymore, its another tax revenue source for DNR and others.

Put brook trout back in UM creek. Quit killing all the brookies to put cutthroats back in.

Put larger trout in the water and have mandatory catch and release on all trout for a year or two.

Put more resources out in the field to keep our lakes and hunting areas clean and preserved.

Put the old cuts in if you are putting in cuts. The old ones fight. Bear Lake cuts are not fun to catch. Rainbows and tigers as well as wipers would work. Bring it back to a family friendly place to go.

Put walleye in.

qWhy did you wait so long, be more proactive. You waited way to long and ruined my childhood fishery.

Rainbow Trout have long been the primary sport fish in Scofield. You will not find a reservoir that can grow large Rainbows faster than Scofield. They need to remain the primary sport fish. If a predatory fish needs to be added thats fine as long as it is not a detrament to the Rainbows.

Really like what you have been doing with other bodies of water hope it trickles over to scofield the age of the "trout guys" is gone our younger youth like more than just trout fishing we like warm and cold water fishing and Utah has done great waters to hold both in

remember some of us just like to take our kids fishing and catch some trout

Remove the tiger trout

Restore upper fish creek above scofield to its glory days. Before the beaver damns the creek was gorgeous with big cutties.

Restricted public access to the lake has stopped my fishing at Scofield.

Retenone all of Scofield and rebuild the once amazing lake!

Return it to the quality trout fishery that it once was. Start over and manage the re invasion of chubs from there.

RETURN OUR RAINBOW FISHERY! POISEN!POISEN! POISEN!

Rotenone followed up by aggressive fishery management in the form of predatory fish stocking and restrictive size/ bag limits would be awesome! Scofield has so much potential if the chubs can be kept under control.

rotenone is a bad idea, it takes years after treatment to get a good fishery. I think the sterile walleye and wiper would be the best idea. they would also grow very big in size. This too would help the local economy.

Rotenone is least desirable in my opinion, since it results in a "start-over" for a major fishery. However, it is sometimes necessary if chub populations are very high percentage. Would support rotenone with restocking of sport fish and sterile predators for long-term effort in lake and downstream fishery.

Rotenone should be avoided at all costs. Due to several rotenone exposures during Asian carp kills, my coworker and I have both been diagnosed with Young Onset Parkinson's Disease. I do not wish that on anybody else and applicators and site workers are at risk. If you go ahead with the treatment, please ensure that all site personnel (not just applicators) are given and use full, required PPE (respirators, gloves, goggles, etc. ). Rotenone exposure has been conclusively linked to increased risk (almost 3 times greater incidence) to Parkinson's. Nobody managing in the asian carp treatments I was involved in warned me of this risk and I was told I did not need any PPE (despite being on the water during application tasked with tracking the rotenone plume using dye). Please be careful.

Rotenone the lake and rivers stock with rainbow trout quit trying to make every lake into a cutthroat haven I could careless about them.

Rotenone was tried once and obviously failed. Poison option is best if it would work. Next best option is predator planting

Rotenone was used on Davis Lake near Portola California and the lake has not recovered to this day.

Rotenone!!!! put a MUST kill on chub stalk rainbows/tigers/walleye NOT cutthroat they are scrawny and are no fun to catch

Rotone the creek but leave the reservoir unrotone

Saugeye or saugers may be a good fit

Save Scofield!

Schofield has been one of my favorite places to go for fishing/fly fishing. Historically it has been awesome for trout and if possible keep it a trout fishery. If Bear lake Cutthroat aren't being used they should. The results at Strawberry have been really good in the reduction of suckers and chubs and even using splake would be good. And also use a slot limit for the cutthroat and Tiger trout like Strawberry and everything between 15-22 inches needs to be released so the larger trout can prey on the chubs and reduce their numbers.

Schofield use to be amazing it's gone to hell. It needs much better management

Scofield used to be my favorite fishery and I have not fished there in several years. I would like to see it poisoned and back to the way it was in the early 2000's. It is a ghost town now.

Scofield has the potential to be what it once was, a great place to take the family. It used to be one of my favorites. I would love to see it restored to that glory.

Scofield could be a fantastic Trophy fishery. In order to do this, close it to Winter fishing and put greater sanctions on size and # of fish kept during the regular season and enforce those limits.

Scofield could be a prolific trout fishery if properly managed. It has the capability of sustaining large numbers of trout and trophy trout at the same time. I believe that the DNR is honestly looking for a balanced approach to please put & take fisherman and those interested in a trophy fishery. This reservoir has the capability of being both. Here are a few suggestions: 1. Don't poison the lake... the chubs will just come back, like they always do. Implement effective strategies to maintain the chub populations. I think wipers would be extremely effective because of their aggressiveness and will provide another target species to the fishery while still allowing trout populations to thrive. This has been very effectively done in Nevada in a number of lakes where trout populations were the main concern. I would also recommend that cutt-bow hybrids be stocked in Scofield. Not only are they a great sport fish, but they have effectively been proven to consistently reduce and maintain chub populations. If you want an example... Look at Henry's Lake Idaho. 2. Purchase enough water to keep the lake water levels regulated. I personally believe that this has more of an impact than anything else that the DNR could possibly do. I don't think that you have to be a biologist to figure that one out. Regulate the water level year round! 3. Reduce the daily trout limit!!!!!!!!!!!! 4. Special restrictions need to be in place to make an effective plan for this reservoir. You are going to hate this one... eliminate ice fishing on the reservoir. Bigger fish are very susceptible to pressure through the ice. There is so much pressure on this lake that the fish have trouble reaching the size needed to properly maintain chub populations. You will find this to be the case regardless of the type of fish that you plant to control the chubs. I realize that I'm not telling you ANYTHING that you don't already know. It's just a shame to see this fishery in it's current condition. I've fished it all my life, through the boom and bust cycles and it's the worst that it has ever been. It's facing problems right now that it won't recover from unless active management practices are immediately implemented.

Scofield could be another trophy fishery like Strawberry, with the right work. Killing off and starting new, while the water is an extreme low level, would greatly benefit this fishery. Access and relative close location to me make me want to fish here but poor fish size and too many chub cause me to fish elsewhere.

Scofield could be great again

Scofield has always been a good lake to fish, until recently, after the rainbow numbers went down is when it got the bad rep, and has gotten worse, It is clear the chubs will never leave no matter what is done, the cuts and tigers need help controlling their populations, walleye would be my favorite to help them, now that there are tools like sterile walleye, wipers and tiger muskies, all would be welcome from me, but the average angler want more rainbows for a family fishery, It will all come wit what funding is available, right know would be the easiest time to poison with the low water.

Scofield has become a productive trout hatchery with good populations and size. Seems the use of predators over retone would sustain the fishery without losing a population already established, and although slowly, control the chub population to minimal numbers.

Scofield has been a great fishing for years. The chub population has taken over in the lake and down stream to the point that it's not worth the drive to go fishing

Scofield has been terrible the past few years. Something really needs to be done.

Scofield has been treated for chub and carp on different occasions, what is the cause of the chub population returning? Why does DNR feel that adding fish which are sterile or hybrid will control the chub population ? If a fish is predatory won't it eat other fish regardless of species?

Scofield has such great potential as a trophy fishery - something Utah does not have. Fish grow fast in this reservoir. With good numbers of large fish living in Scofield the chubs will be kept in check. I would LOVE to see a water in Utah managed for truly big fish. How about flies and lures only, and catch-and-release only? I believe management like this would make Scofield a destination fishery that would attract fishermen from all over the west.

Scofield has turned into a filthy place to fish to much garbage from other people fishing. Need to crack down on this. Not only at Scofield but all Utah waters.

Scofield is a trophy fishery, I get that. But, i would love to see it being a family fishery also with different species of fish like Strawberry, Deer Creek, etc.

Scofield is due for a reboot. That is for sure. I would like to see it become the trophy trout destination it once was. I'm hesitant on adding species like Wiper. It seems they are starting to pop up in more and more waters. On the sterile Walleye, I am a little more open. As long as they aren't the main predator. Tiger Trout should still be the main push for Scofield.

Scofield is has been a fun place to fish. I am glad that the DNR is looking into helping scofield fishery

scofield is one of my favorite places to fish and adding walleye and wipers would be great i think it would give me a nother reason to go fish it and i dont think poisoning the lake is the answer adding another predator to the lake is a great idea for the fishery

Scofield is one of the state's best tiger trout water, I would really hate to see it poisoned out. I understand the issues of chubs, and feel that the chubs only compete directly with rainbow trout. I feel that we can use the chubs as a base for a really good predatory fishery, without the cost of treatment, and the loss of the established tiger and cutthroat base. It's hard to look at killing out waters that are producing record size fish

Scofield is where many people found their passion for fishing. It would be nice to see it return as a quality Rainbow Trout fishery where we can take our kids to catch a limit and get them hooked on fishing like our dad's and grandpa's did with us. There are more than plenty of "trophy" lakes around the state it'd be nice to have a high quality opportunity lake again.

SCOFIELD NEEDS A CHANGE. OUR FAMILY HAS FISHED THERE FOR OVER 30 YEARS. WE USUALLY RENT A SPACE THERE. WE HAVEN'T FOR THE LAST 2 YEARS BECAUSE THE FISHING FOR FAMILIES HAS CHANGED. WE HAVE HISTORICALLY CAMPED AND FISHED THERE FOR MEMORIAL DAY, THE 4TH OF JULY AND LABOR DAY. WE HAVE NOW MOVED THESE CAMPING DAYS TO OTHER AREAS. LET'S MAKE A CHANGE HERE AND GET SCOFIELD BACK TO ITS GLORY DAYS. THANKS

Scofield needs more fish and Lower Fish Creek.

Scofield reservoir as a fishery has declined rapidly the past 5 years. We have family property there and love to spend our time there. The last few years we have a rough time getting the grandkids and other family there due to the horrible fishing. Lower fish creek used to be a blue ribbon fishery but i would dare to label it that now.

Scofield use to be a great place to fish. I fished it a lot. It now sucks very bad.. yes I can catch cuts, not fun and tigers, because of knowledge but the general public has no hope. You guys blew it.

Scofield use to be excellent fishing when there were rainbows to catch and the limit was 8. Use rotenone now while the water level is at an all time low and fishing is a failure. When restocking, do not do as UDWR did with Strawberry. Strawberry use to be the best fishing in Utah back in the 70s & 80s until it was rotenoned. If it had been restocked with fertile rainbows, it would still be superior. The management plans at both lakes are failing. UDWR is catering to a few fishermen and ignoring the majority. If a family isn't targeting kokanee and tiger trout, the "Slot" eliminates family fishing. My four adult children and sixteen grand children ages 6-26 will not go fishing anymore because they do not catch fish. UDWR has lost two generations of fishermen because of their current management plan at both Scofield and Strawberry. The last time I went to Scofield was two years ago I took three grand children to scofield ice fishing. We caught one six inch chub. Let Strawberry be the model of what not to do with Scofield. Plant Fertile Rainbows after rotenone! Forget the predatory fish. Cuts and tigers are competing with fishermen. Only 470 rainbows have been planted this year at Strawberry. I am sure the cutthroats ate those immediately.

Scofield used to be a destination Water for anyone in the state. Now no one goes there with expectations of catching anything but Chubs. Please fix this. We used to fish it a lot and now we don't even go there.

Scofield used to be my favorite fishery ~10 years ago. We would always go up there and catch decent sized rainbows and we would fish it often. Over the last 10 years it has been horrible - small fish and trash fish. We've tried a few times over the last 10 years but there has been no improvement and that's also what we've been told by everyone who fishes there. I don't think your current method of fixing it is working.

Scofield used to be my favorite lake. I haven't been there for years, due to the poor conditions. I would troll there very often if I could catch rainbows there.



Scofield used to be one of my favorite lakes to icefish and fish at ice off. The last couple years have been very disappointing there ice fishing. 75% of the fish that were caught through the ice were chubs. Something drastically needs to be done to eradicate them from the lake. If the solution is rotenone, then I'm all for it. I would love to see the lake back to the way it was when I fished it 25 years ago as a kid, catching big football rainbows!!!

Scofield used to be the best place in the state to fish 20 yrs ago. I never got skunked and usually caught 8-12 fish (12"-18") every time I went. I haven't been back in 10 yrs since I didn't catch a single fish the last three times I went. It wasn't worth getting up at 4:00 in the morning and driving 100 miles just to get skunked. Bring back the old days. I've told my younger children about how much and how big the fish were that I'd catch at Scofield. They're probably sick of hearing it. I'd love to take them there and let them experience it firsthand. That would be worth dragging them out of bed early and making the long trip.

Scofield was a place we as a family fished between 20-30 times a year including an annual week camping trip at the state park. Now we fish the winter tournament a day or two in the spring and fall. No camping because the fishing is so poor. Talking to many of the DWR people, though headway has supposedly been made against the chub population it will still likely take 10 to 15 years at this rate to fix the problem. I am afraid it will never come back to being one of the best fisheries in the state in my life time. Though expensive I believe there is only one true solution and that is poison the reservoir. Let's quit wasting time and see the situation for what it is.

Scofield was always a wonderful place to fish, the chub population boom is very sad, not sure if it got out of hand with too much experimentation or what, Kill the fish and start over. Let's get this back to a productive fishery

Scofield was at one time, my all time favorite fisheries. I would support anything that gets rid of the Chub in there! I would prefer them to wipe the whole lake and start from scratch! That fishery hasn't been good fishing for years and I haven't seen any noticeable change.

Scofield was doing fine until managers decided to up the limit in order to attract more fishermen. The big fish disappeared in 2 years and ruined the lake.

Scofield would seem to be one of the last family fisheries left. Walleye seem to be complete outsiders to a Utah fishery. Please keep them where they belong, in Minnesota. Tiger trout would at least be trout!

Seems like all the fish I catch now are very small skinny cutthroat. Are they stunted because of water quality? Why not plant larger rainbows that won't be eaten by larger fish? How can we get back to the days of catching 3-5lb rainbows?

Seems like the size and amount of sport fish in Scofield has declined quite a bit in the last 10 years. Hopefully adding another species of fish to help lower the amount of chubs will help. I would much rather see a new species introduced than have the lake killed off all together. Thank you for putting out these surveys and listening to our feedback.

Short on time but the reservoir needs a more proactive approach for turning it into a trophy fishery. Why not have a kill order on the chubs caught for now? Then start introducing a new sport species, Lahonta or tiger muskie (in my opinion), to the reservoir.

Should have used the Tiger Muskie from Foresyth and Mill meadow when they were drained for dam repair to control some aggressive chub populations. Rotenone seems to be the worst choice I've ever seen - kills all the sport fish and allows chub populations to explode. Put large aggressive predators such as Pike or Muskie in there then let anglers control the population of the predators. Walleye are not as easy for anglers to catch and don't do an efficient job, my last choice.

Should manage the chub by stocking predator fish. I believe that by managing the lake with predator fish would be better for long term management.

Smallmouth are doing well with trout at Minersville. Smallies would be a successful predator and great sportfish in Schofield.

Smallmouth bass are awesome. Plant more!

Something drastic needs to happen with this fishery it is in bad shape.

Something has got to change. I don't believe that the chub population will ever get under control with the current controls being tiger and cutthroat with a slot limit regulation. Don't believe that in twenty more years it would be any better. Need more game wardens - on the ground enforcing fisheries rules and laws. Plant whatever fish you want but without constant and effective enforcement of rules and laws that help manage the fisheries, fisheries management is always going to be tough. Conservation Officers do a great job throughout the State but I believe that their numbers are the same or less than they were 20 or 30+ years ago, yet management strategies for all game species are much more complex; needing enforcement to be successful and effective and our State's population continues to grow and grow.....yet no more resources being put out there to PROTECT and make sure that rules and laws are being followed. I believe that you start over with Rotenone in the lake, tribs, downstream, etc...Use effective fish to keep the chub population under control from the beginning and enforcement to work on illegal introductions, illegal harvest of needed fish, etc.....

something HAS to be done to bring Schofield back to or close to what it used to be. The mistakes of the past are evident, now let's find a solution. Schofield used to be the best trout fishery in the state. Now, it is a tragedy!

something has to change. Schofield used to be shoulder to shoulder fishing at times. let's make it fun to fish again.

Something needs to be done about the chubs, no question there. I appreciate that you are willing to look at other ways of controlling them other than just poison.

Something needs to be done to control the chub problem. The problem gets bigger and bigger the longer you wait to kill off the lake.

Something needs to be done. I quite fishing Scofield about 3 years ago. The chubs are out of control.

Something needs to be done. My family loves Scofield and we love to fish there. It is frustrating when all you catch are chubs. I can honestly say that over the past few years, I have caught 10x the amount of chubs compared to catching any other fish. I 100% support making a change so that we can get Scofield back to where it used to be.

Something really does need done about the chubs , I hope that it is a good idea to plant other sport fish besides trout.

Sometimes I think that waters can be over-managed. Sometimes nature balances things out. (Deer Creek, for example) Great fishing, big fish.

Sport-fishing has the potential to provide \$millions of out-of-state tourism dollars into the local economy. REACT FASTER to future problems before the problem gets out of control.

Spring fishing at scofield is some of the best family memories I have of fishing please try to keep it kid friendly

Spring spawning rainbows at Scofield were a tradition for my friends and family. Really miss it!

Standardized regulations for the majority, if not all, of the fisheries in Utah. Currently - an individual has to have a fishing guide/proclamation in hand and also must know exactly how to identify each and every species since all waters are apparently different.

start over

Start planting more tiger trout. It was really good a few years ago for trophies also start planting brown trout. Give up on the cutthroat.

Start stocking bigger brown trout and tigers to get them feeding on the chubs faster

Start stocking Brown trout and more tigers and less cutthroat

Stock kamloop rainbows, tiger trout and Browns.. Give up on the cutthroat. They suck

Stock larger trout that would prey on chub. All of the cutthroat trout seem to be too small to prey on chubs.

STOCK SCOFIELD WITH MATURE RAINBOW TROUT SO PREDATORS DON'T BOTHER.

Stock some rainbows. The fishery really went down hill after the DNR stopped stocking them.

Stocking of sterile walleye, musky, and wipers would be a great way to control chubs in Scofield. A great idea!!!

Stocking tiger trout was a good idea initially, but the chubs have gotten so big and plentiful that it's a major turnoff. I used to drive down from salt lake to ice fish, now I don't bother because the cutts look so sick. It's probably time to start fresh.

stocking trout to help with the chubs is not working kill the lake and start over

Stop planting sterile fish onto lakes with a chub problem. We don't need every lake in a drainage to have native fish. Put Brown trout in the lake and let them reproduce which saves the tax payers money. Plus they will eat the chub better than any other fish. Stop wasting time and money.

Stop rotenone treatment on reservoirs just to restock cutts. It destroys fisheries that have nothing wrong with them. Introduction of predatory fish is a more productive way to handle these type of situations. Once they are stocked, put size restrictions and manage the fishery

Stop stocking Bear Lake strain Bonneville cutthroat trout outside the Bonneville basin (including Scofield and Strawberry), especially while Colorado cutthroat trout populations are in decline. It's insane. If you need more piscivores, stock more tiger trout. How can you promote the conservation of Utah's four native cutthroat subspecies while YOU are simultaneously stocking them outside their native ranges? We have a lot of failed history to learn from, we don't have to keep making the same mistakes. If you need to further suppress the population of Utah chub, I support the continued stocking of sterile hybrids such as tiger trout or wipers, but not triploids. Inducing triploidy in walleye, rainbow trout, or other invasive species is never 100%, so natural reproduction of these species is not a matter of if, but when. Rotenone is clearly not a long-term solution for a lake that is so accessible for rednecks moving buckets of fish around. Don't even get me started on how completely asinine it is to stock lake trout into Bear Lake.

Stopped fishing this water years ago. Its no longer is a destination for me as the Utah Chub has overtaken the fishery

Strawberry is a model of Success for what I believe Scofield could and should be... I only ice fish at Scofield currently because of how badly its deteriorated. Strawberry is the premier fishery in the state and the river below it is one of my favorites as well. I love the area around Scofield my family has hunted it for years, I went to the scout camp when I was younger, I've loved fishing it in the past. Last year I stopped to fish for two hours through the ice 30 chubs to one 8 inch cutty that was too skinny. Thanks for your efforts and interest in helping this reservoir I hope someday I will bring my own family back to fish it.

striped bass and walleye not only eat chubs they eat trout

Strongly consider moving away from trout to manage chub, they are simply ineffective in the long run

TEST

Thank you

Thank you

Thank you for allowing us to give input

Thank you for asking for public input on this issue.

Thank you for asking the right questions. I have been fishing here for over 40 years and have had nothing but good fishing. Any season. Maybe something a little more aggressive may help.

Thank you for asking!

Thank you for doing something about the Chubs. I used to tell my kids how great it was to fish at Scofield. Now all we catch are Chubs. It would be great to see Scofield be a good place to fish again.

Thank you for everything you do, it is very much appreciated.

Thank you for letting anglers be involved with the planning and stocking plans!

Thank you for letting us ( the fishing public) be involved in the management of our lakes and fisheries! Also could we have anglers try to catch and kill/ remove mass amounts of Chub in Scofield to assist with this ( is that feasible or would it not be effective)

Thank you for listening to the angling public

Thank you for looking into this serious issue. The quality of fish is terrible here and you are losing anglers at a very rapid rate at this reservoir.

Thank you for offering the opportunity to voice our opinions, I feel some good changes have come from this. Have you thought about a mandatory kill order for all chubs in scofield. Thanks.

Thank you for reaching out for feedback. While I trust that you'll do the right thing, it makes me feel better to know that you're taking our opinions into consideration when making these types of tough choices.

Thank you for seeking public feedback.

Thank you for seeking public input. The more brain power we can throw at the problem, the higher the odds of a positive outcome.

Thank you for taking into consideration our input.

Thank you for the public input opportunity.

Thank you for the slot. I hope that some of the sterile predators can get on top of the explosion of chub population. Fishing contests seem to have helped some in the last couple of years then.

Thanks

Thanks for all that you do for Utah's wildlife.

Thanks for all you do

Thanks for all you do!

Thanks for all you do! It is much appreciated.

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!!!!

Thanks for asking for angler input on these type of issues and thanks for doing your best to improve our fisheries.

Thanks for being willing to try something to get rid of the chub.

Thanks for doing a great job with our fisheries. I think Scofield needs a reset.

Thanks for doing such a good job. Utah's sport fishing is excellent!

Thanks for everything.

Thanks for finally making an attempt to improve the fishing at my favorite lake to fish.

Thanks for including the public in these challenging decisions. We appreciate and support you.



Thanks for including us.

Thanks for letting me have input on this.

Thanks for letting the public have input and for all you do to help the state in all areas.

Thanks for looking at a lot of our lakes recently and making some positive corrections/additions

Thanks for looking into making Scofield Reservoir a better fishery. Get rid of those Chub!

Thanks for looking into this. Please help Scofield become a prime trout fishing destination!!

Thanks for looking to solve the problems with the fishery at Scofield.

Thanks for not giving up on this great water. The use of rotenone should be a measure of last resort. Would sterile adult large mouth bass be an additional alternative to walleye?

Thanks for putting this out. Glad to know someone cares to hear public opinion.

Thanks for seeking input from the public. I hope to see better fishing opportunities at Scofield in the coming years.

Thanks for taking public input!

Thanks for trying something needs to be done the slot limit need to go away try telling you son after catching the biggest fish ever he as to set free because it does not meet a some type of length limit its pretty sad Again thanks for trying

Thanks for your attention to this problem and thanks for your hard work to rectify it.

Thanks for your efforts. Would love to help in any way I can.

Thanks!

Thanks.

that lake has gone to hell, Im 70 and use to fish it a lot.

The Bear Lake Cutthroat don't seem to grow Rainbow and Native Cutthroat were plentiful for years but since the chubs took over it has been a lousy fishery. Not sure of the solution.

the chub are one of the biggest reasons i fish at Scofield! yes they take food from some fish, but as the tigers and cutthroat have shown in the past the chub can be food as well.. the musky in joe's valley seem to be doing somewhat of a good job with the chub maybe worth a try in scofield?

The chub has ruined the lake. I have property there and used to look forward to spending time there. Over the past few years the desire has all but died. My kids would love to catch a fish we could take home. The last time we went this summer we caught 15 chub and 1 small trout. Not very encouraging. The DNR people at the gate seemed indifferent to our concerns.

The chub MUST go !!!

The Chub need to go the last time I went fishing Their were 5 of us fishing and Chub was all we caught we will not be going back till they are gone.

The chub population has completely taken over the fishery in my opinion. Several times this summer while fishing with my family, the only fish we caught were chubs.

The chub population is out of control and fishing from shore with a lure that's all I catch.

The chub population is out of control, and i wish it would return to its former glory days of it being a premier trout fishery.

The chub population is out of control. All that we catch when we use pop-gear, worms, or spinners are chub. When we do land a rainbow they're only 12 in or less and are thin as a pencil. I'm not the guy with the answers but compared to 5 yrs ago the lake is Chub infested.

The chub population is the number one reason I no longer make Scofield my first choice for fishing.

The chubs are a huge problem. The tiger trout seem to have slowed down. Why do you have to sterile the Tiger. Why not make it into a tiger trout lake. Why not plant browns or cuts instead of rainbows? Lower Fish Creek/Price River fishing is not very good and it is full of chubs also. It once was a blue ribbon stream but the last few times I have fished it the results are very poor.

The chubs are really bad, seems its hurting the fishery. similar to Strawberry before treatment.

The chubs are ruining this one time blue ribbon fishery

The chubs have all but taken over, the cutties in there are almost all super skinny and about 9" not too many people are satisfied with that. I've only caught 2 tigers out of Scofield, more tiger trout would be appreciated. I think it might also be a good idea to stock tiger muskie in there, and if they start eating too many trout, you could simply stop stocking them, and they'll die off

The chubs have over ran the place, can't even keep them off your line to catch a desired fish, get rid of them and yes plant other predator and sport fish, not only will this encourage Anglers to come catch a variety of species, mainly, it will get rid of the nuisance Chubs. I will not go back to scofield until they are eliminated.

The chubs have ruined the lake. Any treatment you think best is better than just leaving the chubs the way they are.

The chubs need to be poisoned

The current situation is broke. It's overrun with chubs and snake cutthroats that aren't getting enough to eat. I'd prefer a trophy tiger, cutthroat, and brown trout fishery as they would feed on the chubs. Even though Browns and tigers aren't great when it comes to how many actually return to anglers creel.

The cutthroat and tiger trout plan to control chubs does not seem to be working, but you already know that. Seems like a good time to treat the reservoir and tributaries to get rid of everything and start over.

The cutthroat trout I've caught at Scofield recently display obvious signs of growth inhibition. I am glad the DNR is taking steps to improve this fishery and willing to listen to public opinion on what they would like to see happen.

The DWR approach is working but let the Chub die on their own or stock the reservoir with sterile walleye the DWR could promote fishing contests fishing for chubs and where all non-chub species using present limits and requirements have to be released immediately back into the reservoir. All chubs caught would be immediately killed. For those fishermen who don't want to keep the chubs would have a place there to dispose of the chubs. Those chubs could be collected and ground up to use as fish food at fish hatcheries. (By the way, when I was a child, our family ate chubs out of the snake river in Idaho. They were a little boney but were actually delicious to eat especially out of cold water.) The contests could serve a dual purpose of helping to get rid of a lot of the larger chubs and help teach youngsters how to fish and get them excited about fishing in the future as the kids don't really care what kind of fish they catch.

The DWR did a great job utilizing predator fish species at Joe'so Valley Reservoir. The same plan should be used at Scofield instead of treating it.

The first questions didn't ask why we fish Scofield less now, so I feel it isn't informative for you as it could be. We are starting to fish Scofield more lately because our kids are older, but fished there a lot when we were younger.

The fishery has been more ruined by the tiny cutthroats than by the chubs I can throw a lure all day and catch little baby cutthroats and no chubs. A temporary predator fish such as tiger Muskie or wiper absolutely needs to be introduced just enough to control the reason nobody fishes there anymore that is the over stocked cutthroat and the chubs. But it would be a sterile and strongly predatory fish that would clean up the lake and then die off so it can go back to the good trout fishery it was. I will not return to this lake until something is done

The fishery is in sad shape, the biggest fish we caught the last few trips were chubs. Very skinny cutthroats, no tigers. the chub population appears to have exploded. Sterile predators after being poisoned would be a great management practice. Until the fishery has had an overhaul my family will not fish it. Thanks good luck.

The fishery is not near what it should be should do something before it gets worse

The fishing at Schofield sucks. If you catch a decent fish you have to release it. Most of the time you are catching chubs. I support poisoning the reservoir and starting over. It has come back quickly in the past.

the fishing has been great at schofield why not just let nature do its thing she hasn't failed us yet when it comes to fishing but you fellers sure mess things up

The lake has been going downhill for a while. The fish are very skinny, I'm not a biologist or anything, but is there enough food for the fish. I know the water levels have something to do with it. I would like to see the lake back to when I was growing up. I do think the wipers or walleye would be a great addition to the water. It's sad to say but the state of the lake after the last few years it may be time to poison it.

The lake has been the best for trout over the years. This has happened in the past and with a good kill it is great when re stocked. Chubs are out of control. We have quit fishing it and would love to go back.

the lake has been very poorly managed for the past 10 years since they have tried to make it a "sports" fishing lake. Bring back the trout, fill the lake so families can have a place to take their children and grand children fishing. Like it was 15 years ago.

The lake is the worst fishing in the state. Treat the reservoir and the river and start over and make it good again! It was good when I was a kid, and now the most disappointing lake. The trip to starvation is better than scofield. I don't waste my time on catching chubs.

The lake needs to be poisoned to kill the chubs that are obviously starving the game fish, with the visible signs on the eel looking starving cutthroat that lack food because of the chub population eating everything in sight and reproducing like crazy. This was one of the most popular angling location for many fisherman, but is a place no longer talked about because of the way it has been recently managed. Thanks, [REDACTED]

The lake sucks now, it once was a great place to take the family. NOT ANYMORE.

The last time I fished at Scofield, we caught chub 90 percent of the time. It would be great to make Scofield a good fishery again.

The last two times I went ice fishing at Scofield I could not keep the Chub off of my line. They were all I caught. I tried moving around but to no avail. I strongly support the removal of this species, however it is decided. If we choose to plant predator fish, then so be it. I just hate to see a reservoir get over run and ruined by this invasive species.

The ONLY reason I even fish Scofield any more is because it is close to the family cabin and I take my grandchildren. Hoping to make them lifetime fisherman is extremely difficult with the slot limit and the chub situation!! Please do something !! The worst thing you could do IS NOTHING.

The only thing I don't like about stocking predators....they also eat the trout.....I think they need to put gates on the tributaries into the lake to stop chubs from coming in.

The poisoning and restocking has been proven to be ineffective. Please learn from past mistakes and do something different. I would like to see more warm water fisheries closer to Emery County.

The poisoning of the reservoir should be completed immediately and the reservoir closed to fishing for two years. Furthermore cattle grazing rights need to be purchased and cattle removed from the reservoir area in a similar fashion as strawberry. A slot limit needs to be instituted in the reservoir and strongly enforced

The problem with Scofield is the water levels. It doesn't stay full enough to let an abundance of predator trout grow in size.

The quicker you remove chubs and establish a fish population free of chubs, the better it will be for fishing, and therefore the local economy of Scofield.

The reservoir had been poisoned previously and the chubs are back. Give the predators a free reign for 5 years, then try the chemical approach again. Maybe even have a chub bounty or contest to pay a reward for most clubs caught in a season.

The reservoir isn't near what it once was it is sad to see what used to be a great fishery with the poor quality of fish that are mostly there now.

The rules for cutthroat need to go away when that's what's mostly caught and I'm going there to catch dinner. I haven't fished there for years because of the rule. Ruined the fishery for me and my family

The slot limit is not working. Need to plant something that will thrive better in Scofield.

The strategy to control unwanted species with wanted predatory species seems to be working. Perhaps treating Scofield with rotenone and then planting larger tiger trout/sterile walleye/wiper and fingerling rainbow/cutthroat will allow the predators to keep the population down. The time for planting more predatory species as an attempt to control the chub population has passed. I used to work as a Park Ranger aid for Scofield State Park for many years. I fished the water regularly. I talked with the biologist when they were conducting their gill net surveys. I watched as fish were planted. I consider Scofield my "home" waters. I have watched in dismay as that reservoir has been neglected and not properly managed. One of the most frequent comments I was asked as a park ranger aid was "why are there no rainbows in Scofield?" The tiger trout were a great addition to the game fish population. But the majority of fishermen came to that reservoir because of the memories and knowledge they had of the great fishing for rainbow trout. The sportsman came for the action and the meat that could be provided by catching fat rainbows. The tiger trout provided that action and meat possibility. The bear lake cutthroat trout did not perform as anglers wanted them to perform. I love Scofield and fish there on a very regular basis. I have watched as that fishery has declined into a worthless pool of chubs. Please take some strong action and have the courage to wipe out the populations of fish that are in that reservoir and start over. It is a blue ribbon fishery and will successfully rebound if the right opportunity is presented. Just adding more predatory species has not worked and will not work. Poison the lake and start fresh.

The trout are too small, the chubs have to be controlled and poisoning it might be the only choice for the future of the reservoir

The use of Rotenone should be rethought, it is known to cause Parkinsons in humans and has many other harmful effects than is discussed in Finlayson et al. 2000 (Rotenone use in Fisheries Management). That book is a fooling fisheries personnel into a false sense of safety. Do the research, this is not a good chemical even though it is "organic".

The water being so low two years ago really hurt things. Most fisherman remember that and determine it's not worth the risk/drive.....might as well go to "the berry."

The water levels need to be monitored more closely. The reservoir has been very low the past 5 years.

there needs to be rainbows for kids to catch with power bait or worms as well as fish for us old dogs

Think fish that can be maintained / planted easily, and achieve the the greatest size quickly.

THINK THIS IS NEEDED. I HAVE FISHED SCOFIELD SINCE I WAS A CHILD. MY FAMILY IS THE LAZY CP PARTNERSHIP THAT HAS GRANTED THE WALK IN ACCESS ON THE LAKE AND BELOW THE DAM. FISHING HAS BEEN SO BAD DUE TO CHUBS I FISH IN IDAHO EVEN THOUGH I OWN LAND IN SCOFIELD. :-(

This could and should be a great basic trout fishery. It is not and no longer a desirable fishery.

This fishery has really gone downhill. Please do something.

This is a difficult situation and it will be hard to please everyone. I think the introduction of sterile predators makes a lot of sense. Poisoning the lake hasn't worked long term.

This is a wonderful lake that we would love to see be a great fishery but the chubs have taken over. I am amazed how big they have become and wonder if the other options would work besides rotenone.

This lake has turned into a chub pond and I think it's to late to use predatory fish to stop the chubs. The lake needs to be treated so it can be on the same level as Strawberry

This lake is long over due for a change. It was once a great fishery. The cutthroat are not changing the chubb population. And msn people that go there, keep the small cutts, just to have some fish. In my opinion, kill the lake. Stock rainbows, cutts tigers, and let it go. Put more rainbows back in, since they grow fast and people will keep them. If the chubb start back at a fast rate, then bring in the wipers or walleyes. But try to leave the lake as it once was.



This lake is not worth fishing anymore you really need to fix the problem

This reservoir is where I grew to love fishing! My greatest memories of fishing growing up were spent at Scofield. We central Utahns appreciate the work that you are doing to research this and get this fishery back to an outstanding family wildlife experience.

This should be a lake for all fisherman not just those who want to catch and release. And rainbow is the answer.

This summer I shore fished Scofield. We only caught chubb and at that probably caught 40 of them. This is the first time I haven't caught a rainbow or cutthroat. The fishery has really gone downhill the past few years. Rotenone may be the only way to completely remove the chubb.

This used to be a great fishing spot but you let the chubs take over and it hasn't been worth the drive up there for years. It would be fantastic if you got it back.

Tiger muskie

Tiger muskies are sterile and easily managed. Plant them to get rid of the chubs, then when chubs are gone, let everyone keep them.

Tiger musky would be an option. then open it up to spearfish for them.

tiger trout and cutthroat trout don't seem to be working. Last trip caught 31 fish 27 chubs 4 cutthroat

Tiger trout and rainbows are fun to catch. Bear Lake cutthroat suck.

Tiger trout eat rainbow trout too

Tiger Trout have been a great tool but it would be great to see brown trout used as a management tool. Sterile browns or non!

Time to start over...

To continue to manage Scofield Res as a trophy fishery. We have enough put and take waters.

To me, it appears the best solution is to poison and restock the reservoir. I love scofield. I spend a lot of time doing other recreation in the area and no longer spend much time fishing there due to the chub. It hurts to see the reservoir being neglected by anglers (due to the chub) and the DWR (because of the cost of poison)

To the extent that predator species can be used instead of poisoning, the predator approach is better.

Too many chub, thats all i have to say about that.

Too many chubs

too many utah chub

Trout are OK in rivers etc but walleye & perch are much better tasting. Nice to be able to balance the fishery for those who like native trout and hos who prefer walleye & perch.

Trout is good, I do not like the chub, I do not think that scofield is the right place for wipers.

Try a Chub tournament with prizes

Try controlling the chubs with brown trout. I think the Browns would grow quickly and be a better sport fish. Plant enough of them to accomplish the task and you could have a world class brown trout fishery. If you do this then you wouldn't need to poison it.

Turn Scofield back into the great fishery it used to be. It's not worth the time or effort to catch nothing but planters.

Up until about 5 years ago, I would fish Scofield often, but then I started seeing a decline in the quantity and the size of fish being caught. About a year ago was the last time I fished the lake. I was very disappointed with the fish we caught, they were all really small. It is definitely not what it used to be.

Use a gill net with a mesh size that will target catch the larger chubs. Schools of chubs seem to be easy to find. get a goal to remove a certain quantity of chubs every year from the lake. Plant a more aggressive larger growing Rainbow like the Kamloops. They used to have those in Utah year ago, according to my father, who grew up here. The Kamloops will and have controlled the population of chubs.

Use rotenone and restock with rainbow trout

Use to love going to Scofield to fish almost 3 or four times a month. With the decline of the trout and the strict rules, not worth the trip. So I would suggest going back to the old ways. Poison it restock it, with trout and they will come.

Used to be the best place for rainbow fishing. Can't even catch one now and I have fished this lake my whole life. Sad that all you catch now is chubs!

Utah Chub have taken over the lake that's fair to say. However the cutthroat's seem to be struggling in size and not interested in eating the chub. the Predator fish mentioned my kill everything but noted those fish have struggled keeping Utah lake under control. I hate the idea of poison in lakes and streams we as humans have already had to much effect on our echo systems. I am willing to assist any way I can in reducing the Chubs in the lake.

Utah Chubs are not a bad thing. They provide good food for larger fish. You have done everything you need to do to limit the numbers of smaller chubs. Lets try to be patient and let the older ones die off. The large fish in Scofield are amazing. Please don't kill them.

Utah has always been about trout i think you should change that a lot of people don't like trout and with utah lake being destroyed by you yes you and its water users its harder to find good sport fishing thats not trouti personal hate trout all trout and would like to see more pan and "predator" fish aka game fish every where else

Utah needs more lakes with Lake Trout. Lake trout love chub, and unlike Tiger Trout, can eat the large chub that are responsible for making baby chub. If I could fish for lake trout at Scofield, it would increase my attendance there 10-fold, as it is much closer to me than Flaming Gorge, Bear Lake, and Fish Lake.

Utilize predatory fish

walleye

walleye, walleye, walleye, perch!. no trout!.

Water management is key

Way to many clubs and small cutthroat the lake needs to be poisoned

We all can agree the chubs have to go, but easier said than done!! In what I have seen the cutthroat have done well on the smaller chubs, but we need a solution for the adults instead of waiting out their lifespan of what I understand can be up to 15 yrs. Sad to see what the chubs with a mix of low water can do to an awesome fishery but at least this is a step in the right direction, good on you guys.

We all know the chubs are beyond taking over at this point. If applicable I'd much rather see tiger Muskies in there over Walleye or wipers. I 'd also consider poisoning the body of water as a last resort but it is definitely there now! Which is most efficient in consideration of cost and effectiveness getting rid of all those chubs? Can it be salvaged at this point or just go ahead and start from scratch? I'd love to see the larger tiger trout Schofield was once known for. I believe I only hear of these trophies once or twice a year at best anymore. Ice fishing is pretty much a complete waste of time unless you are looking for chub bait for the season. One afternoon can provide enough bait for you and all your friends for the entire season. As a higher elevation water sure like it to stay trout only.

We already poison scofield and it is not working !

WE HAD BEEN GOING FOR OVER 25 YEARS EVERY YEAR TO FISH AND SPEND A WEEK THERE THE LAST FIVE YEARS HAS BEEN A TOTAL DISAPPOINTMENT-SIT ALL DAY AND ONLY CATCH A STUPID CHUB-SO THIS YEAR WE WENT TO FISHLAKE-WE CAUGHT FISH! WE WILL KEEP GOING THERE OR STRAWBERRY UNTIL SCOFIELD CAN BE FUN AGAIN

We hardly ever fish Scofield anymore because of the Utah Chub. I am happy to see that the Division is taking action.

We have a cabin at scofield and fish it every weekend the quality of fish is way down we use to catch all rainbows 1 to 5 lbs non stop now it's lucky to even catch a rainbow most often we catch 8 to 12 inch cuts. It's not worth fishing much any more plus the shore is littered with dead chubs that stink to high hell. Would have been a good project for dedicated hunters to clean the shore of rotten chubs due to the Blum.

We have trout in so many of our waters and I love fishing for them. But we choose to drive farther distances to fish for a chance at other species of fish or a bigger lake trout. The only time we fish Scofield is when we want to go somewhere quick with the kids just to say we went fishing, and then we will usually go to Huntington res after wipers. But I think we would chase walleye over wipers.

We Just need to get rid of the chubs. A lot of t them have grown to a fairly large size. I think we should use rotenone for the chubs and start fresh with the cutthroat, tiger, and rainbow trout planting and let it develop into a premier fishery again. Thank You

We just need to get the chubs out. I rarely catch trout anymore. When I was a kid I remember all the big rainbows we would catch. I haven't caught a rainbow in years, mostly chubs with the occasional Cutthroat. Kill the chubs to make it more entertaining for the family

We LOVE to fish Scofield. The chubs are out of control! We never catch any large fish at scofield, only small rainbows and cuts. Make Scofield a trophy reservoir like Strawberry and Panguitch. More big fish, less little fillers. Kill the lake off and start over

We need to get away from the "Family Fishery" attitudes on management and concentrate on QUALITY fisheries that are beneficial to today's style of angling.

We really need to get the fishing back on track. I grew up on Scofield Reservoir and want my kids to have the same experience I had.

We should plant more native Colorado Cutthroat trout. I used to catch one or two every trip. Now I haven't caught one for three years.

We sure would like the fishing at Scofield to become a great fishing spot again. The town depends on it.

Went fishing several times this summer with my grandchildren. We fished from the bank, nine out of ten fish that we caught were trash fish. Something needs to be done to correct this problem. I think the problem is to the point where starting over is the best solution. Thanks

What a great resource Scofield is for the local anglers. I stopped fishing it since the chubs took over. I would certainly like to see it restored to a trout/walleye/wiper fishery. Size restrictions, similar to Strawberry, would be welcomed - after the reservoir & tributary streams are treated.

What about pike instead of Walleye they are able to eat the bigger chub

What is the time goal for the Cutthroat and Tiger trout to control the chubs. It appears that the method is very, very slow. I have noted a decline in the # of fisherman at Scofield over the past 20 years and significantly during the past 5. If there is a management plan please involve the sportsman in the process with information, etc.

What made Scofield a great fishery when the chub population was under control was the rainbow trout. With its shallow mossy bed, and little competition from other species, it grew the rainbow fast and healthy and made for a fantastic ice fishing destination. I would be supportive of killing the chubs as quickly as possible and making rainbow the most abundant species in Scofield.

Whatever the process I support, Scofield has always been a family oriented great place to fish

When it comes to treating tributaries and Fish Creek below, my concern is native cutts, especially above the lake. Below it I would love to see a fishery from browns to tigers and cutts like UM Creek. This is more concerning generally rather than specifically, but when it comes to walleye and wipers in Scofield, I am against it because its over an hour away from Spanish Fork and extremely high for "warm" water fish. I've noticed that anglers are lazy in Utah and there would be no point in planting those species because they won't travel that far to catch them. Instead create the Wastach Front as a warm water fishery. Most trout fishers that I know would rather hit streams for trout so I feel that adding those species to Scofield would be pointless for anglers.

When Rainbow trout were the primary stocked fish in Scofield we loved fishing there. It's been nothing but downhill over the past several years. Very disappointed and since last year we won't fish there any more until the chubs are removed. The focus of the lake should be for family fishing recreation. Trophy fish is not entertaining for kids and family because the chance of catching a trophy fish is drastically reduced. Kids want to catch fish. Rainbow trout is the preferred option from this voter.

When the chub minnows and shiners disappeared so did the big tigers and cutthroats. Doubt very much that is a coincidence.

When we go fishing there most fish we have to put back! We love to cook for dinner a few rainbow trout!

When you plant fish close it off to bait fishing for one year and give fish a chance to grow. Then rotate lakes, only plant ever other year. Most trout are killed before they grow and their flesh turns red from white, before they taste better

While the reservoir has a low water level it would be a great time to treat with Rotenone, also the water is not going out of the reservoir and is now shut off. So it is not going down stream to the culinary drinking water plant. I was the Culinary water plant manager the last time Scofield was treated, and saw the removal of carp, and the use of pottasium permanganate to nuetralize the rotenone on the outlet of the Scofield dam.

Who cares if a few Muskie/walleye,wipers made it through the dam. It's need something else in there. The lake is absolute garbage right now. Either put some better predators in there or poison it.

Why is upper fish Creek not fly and lure only anymore?

Why not try to net the chubs and take them to a lake like Flaming Gorge? When I say net, I mean an oversized minnow trap. A modified crab trap. Catch and dump into a truck. Or just trap and dump on the ground for animals to eat. How about just draining the lake and flushing everything down stream. The lake is already at a record low. The fish going down stream will be less of an issue. Many of the chubs will die and/or become food for all the browns. Then the lake can be filled and planted quickly. Think outside of the box.

Willing to do whatever to help.

Wiper or tiger muskie

Wipers, sterile Walleye and Tiger Trout seem like great ways to control chub. Please, please, please stop with the Cutthroat planting. If it wasn't for the Kokanee in Strawberry it would be ruined because of all the Cutthroat. I can't think of a fish in our state that fights worse and is less fun to catch than Cutthroat Trout. Why not Brook Trout in Scofield? They would probably do very well since the lake is so shallow.

Wipers, Wipers Wipers. Please!!!

With the current low water condition of the reservoir and the fish kill from the algae this is the perfect time to kill the lake and start over. In just a few years Scofield could be back to a blue ribbon fishery.

With the slot limit on Cutthroat and the abundance of Chub it is not likely to catch a limit at Scofield Res.

Work to make it a destination fishery

Would like to catch big rainbow trout again like I did when I was younger. I would like my kids to experience that as well and not just catch 100's chubs like we have been.

Would like to see more reservoirs with Kokanee. And I like that we'll be able to use corn in some places next year. I do though think that corn should be legal anywhere in the state, like all the other states in the western United States.

Would love to catch something other than planter rainbows.

Would rather look all predators to remove the chubs and then as a last resort Rotenone the lake

Ya drop the politics and keep the water levels higher, lower fishcreek was a great fishery now there is so much moss and grass due to low water levels that it sucks. Figure it out and do your jobs.

yall need to becleaner



Years ago, I remember thinking the limit of 8 fish at Scofield should have been changed sooner to 4 fish... We used to catch lots of nice 16-19 inch rainbows and occasionally a cutthroat. The quality of the fishing seems to have declined a great deal the past 4-7 years. I was sad to hear about the algae (sp?) bloom that closed Scofield this summer and I wonder how that affected the fish? I do put a lot of trust into what the DWR biologists think and recommend and I am willing to give a plan time to work...several years. If a treatment would fix things faster and for less money - I would support it... We also want a long term solution too... Thanks for your efforts! Yes I do. Some years ago when the DWR foolishly lifted the limits at Scofield I watched in agony as the shores were lined with people who emptied the reservoir of many large Bows, Colorado Cutts, and Cutbows and by the next season the chubs exploded in the reservoir. Scofield was a tremendous fishery until that boneheaded decision was implemented. I've been waiting for an opportunity to express my angst towards the DWR for doing that. The prior combo of trout in the reservoir always controlled the chubs very well until some bureaucrat decided to muck around with things. My fishing partner and I would fly fish Scofield 50+ days annually back then and we would easily catch and release more than 70 fish per day and we NEVER caught chubs. We were so happy with the strain of fish in that pond. The Bows and Cuts were quality fighting fish and the hybrid Cutbows were a special treat..... We regularly caught Cutbows in the 10lb class. It seems there have been political decisions made in Utah to bring in Federal dollars by planting sub-par game fish in Utah waters such as the HORRIBLE Bear Lake Cutthroat which are the worst gamefish I have come across in Western America. They might eat a few Chubs but they are the WORST of game fish. I was formerly a member of the Strawberry Anglers association and worked hard with Ed Kent to provide the state decision makers with valid scientific data regarding good management practices for the Berry yet all of our years of labor went unheeded as the DWR pursued one foolish decision after another which decimated the quality of fishing at Strawberry. Then I observed the same tactics at Scofield with the results we've all observed with a chub population out of control. I said in the choices above I was unwilling to participate in trying to draft regulations for Scofield only because I invested years of my time in a similar effort for Strawberry only to have political considerations overrule common sense and the voices of the fishermen who knew the waters like our own children. I actively promoted fly fishing at Scofield and Strawberry by volunteering to take beginner Stillwater fly fishermen to those reservoirs 5-10 days per year and teach them the nuances of Stillwater fly fishing. We primarily caught tremendous rainbow trout in both fisheries and we NEVER caught chubs. I was in a club with over 200 members of serious dedicated Stillwater fly fishermen and between all of us we logged thousands of hours annually on those two reservoirs. None of us had any issues with chubs until AFTER the DWR changed the biomass and introduced the Bear Lake Cutts. There were strains of Rainbows from Canada and elsewhere (triploids as an example) that had proven track records to control rough fish and they are also tremendous game fish which can reach record proportions. We presented reams of data but were ignored and marginalized. My days of investing 100+ days annually of Stillwater fly fishing are over because frankly there is NOT any decent Stillwater trout fishing left in Utah where you can catch very large numbers of healthy large trout in a day. Fishing the two primary waters I've named has become an exercise in frustration and futility compared to the late 1990's and early 2000's when both fisheries were at their peak. If you value the experience and knowledge of a longtime dedicated Stillwater fly fisherman in this state, you won't find anyone more passionate about the sport than me. I've dedicated most of my adult life to the sport including the development of some of the most successful fly patterns employed by other anglers. Past experience however suggests that the state is not interested in the voices of those who fish and live our home waters. Until you've learned to catch and release the quantity of fish we learned to catch on a near daily basis, you can't appreciate the mismanagement of these fisheries that were trophy Stillwater fisheries at one time. I know that a few huge fish have been caught at Scofield and Strawberry in recent years. I'm just telling you the overall experience has tanked in terms of a quality experience as in the past. Perhaps I would reconsider participating if and only if the DWR was serious about putting into practice a management plan to provide quality fishing with QUALITY game fish that can control the trash fish and still provide anglers with the experience they desire. If you want my further input I can be reached at [REDACTED] and I will consider whether or not to participate. I loved fishing Scofield with a passion you might not understand. I raised my boys fly fishing in kick boats and as an example my oldest son caught and released 53 trout on his 16th birthday in a half day of fishing in mid June during the formerly glorious damsel hatches that used to occur down there before the DWR changed the regulations and the bank fishermen emptied the biomass from the water. That was a dozen years ago. After that fateful decision the banner days of great fishing ended at Scofield and the massive Cutbows disappeared and the fishing went to hell. I hope you're serious about repairing the damage done because the current base of trout in Scofield have totally failed to do the job.

Yes I feel like the stocking of cutthroat in scofield and strawberry has destroyed the fishing clear back when you hardly would catch a cutthroat and could catch many large rainbows the only place that has good fishing for rainbows now is ottercreek

Yes leave nature alone

Yes while I support walleye and wipers but not at the expense of the trout, I also did not like having to chose between the three species of trout in this survey. All three types of Trout are great to catch and to eat.

yes, better management of the lake level. Control the flow of water, and less grazing of animals.

yes, don't use the rotenone on the reservoir

Yes, I am very disappointed with how the chub has taken over Scofield. Even Fish Creek that feeds Scofield, is consumed by the chub. I strongly support treating the lake and surrounding streams, restocking and helping Scofield become the amazing fishery that it once was all over again.

yes, keep involving the public and keep doing your best. besides what a lot of people think you all are doing a good job.

Yes, the "slot" limit is obviously not working. The recently stocked cutts are skinny and malnourished. With the low water levels of the reservoir, there appears to be little if any natural feed. I remember when you did the rotenone treatment back in the early/mid 1980's. Fishing improved for many years. I also remember when the opener was the first Saturday in June and we'd catch some great eating rainbows in the 14" range. Today, my wife and I prefer to fish Scofield because of its proximity to Utah Valley and the ease of accessing the shoreline for my wife. We mainly fish to catch a "dinner". We don't care about limiting out. Cutthroats taste the best as of late, compared to the one skinny 11" rainbow we caught 2 years ago. A 24" tiger trout at ice-off this year was excellent eating. Wish we could have caught more on subsequent trips. Just to get out and fish is important to us and we found enjoyable entertainment catching chubs and feeding them to the ring-billed gulls and pelicans. LOL. We still like to bring a couple of cutthroats home to eat, though. We stopped fishing in July because the infrequent 9 to 11" cutts were just too skinny and were returned. I am not convinced the slot limit works. I have not caught a cutthroat 15 - 22" , well, I have not caught a cutthroat over 14" there since my wife and I have started fishing again with greater interest. I also wonder what happened to the crawdads and if they were considered to be a good food source. I'm well aware crawfish are an invasive, non-native species which belong in Louisiana, but lower numbers indicate something. Maybe, not enough food for the smaller trout? All things considered, my wife and I are not avid fisher persons. We are recreational....fair weather fishers..... who like to enjoy a shoreline outing and occasional trout dinners.

Yes. Consider the Muskie, it will more greatly affect the chub and not affect the trout as much as the walleye would.

Yes. Scofield is a beautiful area and was a wonderful rainbow fishery and the stream below was loaded with browntrout just a few years ago until Scofield became loaded with chubs and they came through the dam. Both were fantastic fisheries.. Thanks for allowing survey input. I do not know enough about fisheries to help draft a Scofield plan.

you are doing a great job at scolfield. Don't put any wipers in they are too hard to catch at times. Look at adding some 1" to 16" inch brown trout also and having some slot limits on all trout like you did at Paguitch until the chubs are under control

You did not mention Sterile bass as a predator so I strongly opposed. If it was a Sterile bass, then I would have strongly supported it. If that is what you meant, quickly change it or your data results will be inaccurate.

You do a good job. Thanks for trying to correct scofield

You do a great job state wide. Sincerely thank you.

You don't need to treat lower fish creek. I was up there thee week of 10/01/16 and it was all dead because they stopped letting water out of the Scofield.

You folks have a tough job and you do it sometimes with public criticism utah has by far much better hunting and fishing than idaho thanks to your schooling and foresight keep up the good work

You guys are doing a great job, balancing a sport fishing area does have many facets to consider; I feel you are doing what you feel will work best, whether that involves a sterile predator to target the larger chub or a water treatment/restock program.

You guys are doing good keep it up!

You guys are doing great keep up the good work!!!!!!

you have ruined the lake for fishing

You have used the Tiger trout at Scofield for almost 5 years if not longer, I do not see any advantage to the trout fishing at the lake in fact this year I did not catch one trout while fishing all the fish I caught were chubs probably close to 100 if not more. I have a cabin at the lake and when ever i am there I enjoy fishing. But this year it was very disappointing to remember what this lake was 10 years ago and what it is now. DWR needs to get this lake cleaned up of the chubs.

You killed Strawberry res. in 1990-91 and the chubs came back. How can you guarantee that Scofield res. wouldn't have a return of them too? Also it has taken way too many years for the cutts at Strawberry to get out of the "slot" . I understand this too is because of the "Chubs"?

You need to start from scratch again. Possibly harvesting the cutthroat trout out of the tributaries and saving them. Once rotenone has been introduced begin stocking wiper and walleye alongside the trout. If you want to have less chub introduced make the reservoir artificial only. But the udwr will never do that because they struggle to grasp the concept of a trophy fishery. Maybe ask Idaho or Colorado for advice.

You need to stop the practice of using live or dead minnows for fishing. I am tired of seeing the reservoirs filled with chubs because they are used for bait.

You noticed the problem you created too late. You should never have raised the limit on rainbows.

You people need to start listening to the sportsman more there the one paying for most of it and you can get some good info from them