SHARE Fishing

Barrett Reservoir, San Diego County
April 8, 9, 15, 16, 2022

Opportunity Description

This SHARE opportunity allows draw winners to assist in the ongoing monitoring of the Largemouth Bass fishery in Barrett Reservoir. Participation in these surveys has never been open to the public. Survey results contribute to the understanding of the health and relative abundance of this naturally reproducing Largemouth Bass fishery, and aids in effective management and improvement of angling opportunities.

The Largemouth Bass fisheries surveys are catch-and-release by hook-and-line only. During the surveys, SHARE participants will catch the bass then transfer them to CDFW staff who will collect information such as length and weight before releasing the fish back to the water; these data provide insight to trends in abundance and condition of the bass and allows CDFW to actively manage the fishery. Bass caught during these surveys average 14 inches but can reach 25.6 inches and weigh nearly 6 pounds.

Each SHARE draw winner is permitted 1 fishing or non-fishing partner, and 1 vehicle per pair (parking is limited). Participants can choose to use their personal fishing gear or borrow SHARE program gear. No live bait is permitted. Aluminum 14’ boats with an 8HP outboard motor will be supplied to each fishing pair by the City of San Diego. Due to quagga mussel concerns, no personal boats are permitted.

All SHARE participants will agree to adhere to survey activity requirements and boating safety. Recreational users can contribute to the success of the SHARE Program by obeying all CDFW regulations, as well as demonstrating courteous, legal, and ethical behavior. For these opportunities at Barrett Reservoir, no alcohol is permitted while operating the boats, and a current fishing license is required for each day on the water (a 1-day fishing license can be purchased ahead of time). Please see Barrett Reservoir’s Rules and Regulations brochure (PDF) for more information.

Dates

Four (4) days are available to apply for a SHARE access permit: April 8, 9, 15, 16, 2022. Each date requires a separate application. The reservoir can receive high winds and surveys are weather-dependent. If a day is cancelled it will be rescheduled and offered to the original draw winners. Meeting time and exact location will be sent directly to the SHARE draw winners.

Only SHARE participants and CDFW staff will be allowed water access to Barrett Reservoir on these dates; no other recreational anglers will be permitted. The public fishing season is May - September on Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
Location

Barrett Reservoir is in Jamul, San Diego County, California. The water is maintained and operated by the City of San Diego and serves as a domestic drinking water supply with a water storage capacity of 34,805-acre feet. There are no concession facilities available, except for a portable toilet. The dirt and gravel roads are passable by sedans. Parking will be on terraces and participants will need to walk at least 400 feet down the approximately 20% gradient dirt and gravel road to the water.
How to apply

SHARE Access Permit applications can be purchased:
- At the Online License Sales and Services webpage through your user profile
- At CDFW license sales offices
- At retail license agents
- By phone: (800) 565-1458

To apply online for a SHARE Access Permit, go to the Online License Sales and Services webpage and follow these instructions:
1. Log in with your customer login, or register. A user profile is required to apply.
2. Select "Purchase Licenses" from the top menu boxes
3. Select "2022 - Sport Fishing" from the menu on the left
4. Scroll down to "Drawings" and select "Add" for the 2022 - SHARE Fishing Multi Choice Application - this will give you a choice of SHARE properties
5. Select a property - this will give you a calendar of available dates
6. Select each date you want to apply for (each selection costs $12.70)
7. Select "Accept Choices"
8. Check out

Draws occur 17 days prior to the event. Winners will be notified via email and an award letter will be posted to their user profile. All SHARE draw winners and their partners must submit a signed liability waiver and proof of current fishing license for the event day in order to receive the information packet containing opportunity details such as start time, address, and maps.