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Summary Report of Fishing Contests Held in 2024



Inland Fisheries Assessment and Monitoring Program

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Introduction

Fishing contests represent an important component of recreational fishing in California and include tournaments and derbies. Black bass tournaments typically represent 90% of all fishing contests held in California; therefore, this report focuses on the black bass subset.

History of Fishing Contest Management

Beginning in 1975, organizers offering prizes for the taking of sport fish in any California water were required to obtain a fishing contest permit from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW). Since 1985, organizers have been required to submit a "Fishing Contest Report" to the CDFW detailing the results of each permitted contest. In 1990 regulations were established that provided two types of contests, "Event" and "Annual." An "Event" type contest permit is designed to regulate large fishing contests often run by commercial organizations. The "Annual" type contest permit is designed to gather data from smaller organized contests, such as those offered by bass clubs or individuals. In 2023, updated language to Title 14 § 230, Issuance of Permits for Contests Offering Prizes for the Taking of Game Fish, was completed and effective on July 1, 2023. These regulations redefined the previous contest permits types (Type A – Event, and Type B – Annual) and added two new permit types (Type C – Catch and Release, and Type D – Other). An electronic contest reporting system to streamline data collection was also deployed.

Permitting Process

Prior to July 1, 2023, an "Event" type permit was required for contests of more than 50 anglers, or if prizes and inducements totaled more than \$1,000 in value. Only one "Event" type permit was allowed per water per day and could not exceed 3 days in duration. An "Annual" type permit was required for contests with 50 or fewer participants and total value of prizes or inducements was less than \$1,000. There was no limit to the number of "Annual" type permits that could be issued for each water on the same day.

Beginning July 1, 2023, the update to Title 14, Section 230 went into effect, which redefined permit types for contests offering prizes or inducements for the taking of game fish.

- **Type A Event:** contests targeting black bass with more than 60 anglers. Type A contests may not exceed three days in duration and no more than one contest is allowed for any water on the same day.
- **Type B Annual:** contests targeting black bass with 60 or fewer anglers. Type B contests may not exceed three days in duration and no more than three contests are allowed for any water on the same day.
- Type C Catch and Release: contests targeting black bass in which anglers do not retain fish for a centralized weigh-in. These contests require the angler to

immediately release all live fish caught after recording weight or measurement. Contests may exceed three days in duration and may be conducted on multiple water bodies concurrently. Type C permits do not limit the number of anglers.

• **Type D – Other:** contests **not** targeting black bass. Contests may exceed three days in duration and be conducted on multiple waters simultaneously.

Reporting Requirement

For each permit issued, the organizer is required to submit a Fishing Contest Report to the CDFW within 30 days of the conclusion of each contest. Report compliance has varied from year to year. Beginning in 2007, to improve compliance, the CDFW began sending a "Letter of Notice" to organizers that specific contest reports were delinquent. In late 2008, CDFW improved reporting procedures by developing a writeable PDF form and e-mail submission procedures. In early 2016, CDFW instituted an online report form which allowed tournament directors to submit their results electronically, in addition to the mail-in option. With the update to Title 14, Section 230, all permits issued after July 1, 2023, are now required to be submitted electronically through CDFW's Data Portal, which has streamlined the reporting process and improve frequency, consistency, and accuracy of reports.

Future of Fishing Contest Management

Fishing contests can put intense fishing pressure on recreational fisheries. Adaptive management is essential to ensure fishery health while maintaining and improving these recreational fisheries. Management measures could include activities implemented by CDFW, water management agencies, fishing contest sponsors, and anglers.

CDFW does its part by:

- Approving or denying permits to hold fishing contests according to regulations.
- Rescinding permits of non-compliant sponsors.
- Monitoring fishing contests with an observer as needed.
- Responding to angler inquiries and concerns regarding tournaments.
- Assessing the effects of fishing contests on the fishery, including poor fish care, barotrauma incidence, and mortality rates.

Tournament organizations can do their part by:

- Enforcing proper fish care by participants during each contest.
- Enforcing any aquatic invasive guidelines for all boats, such as quagga mussel inspections, and ensuring participants are aware of any required inspections.
- Supplying anglers with properly aerated tanks at weigh in to keep fish healthy while waiting to weigh in.
- Informing participants of unique conditions at any water, such as the presence of protected aquatic species, areas off limits to fishing, or non-standard length or bag limits.
- Submitting all tournament contest reports in a timely manner.
- Communicating with the local marina, water control agency, or property owner to ensure that appropriate permits and permissions have been obtained.

Anglers can do their part by:

- Taking the best possible care of their fish at all points during the tournament. High
 mortality rates not only hurt an angler's performance in the tournament; they also
 negatively affect the fishery. The loss of large fish from the population reduces not
 only their density (and angler catch rates), but also reduces the spawning potential
 of the population. Larger females produce far more eggs than small females.
- Following directions from sponsors during weigh-ins.
- Abiding by the special conditions identified for bass tournaments (See "Additional Resources").
- Following all guidelines and regulations relating to aquatic invasive and protected species.

Additional Resources and FAQ

Where are upcoming tournaments?

Upcoming fishing contests and contest sponsors are listed online on the CDFW <u>Data Portal</u>.

More detailed information for scheduled contests can typically be found at the contest sponsor's website.

How do I apply for a fishing contest permit?

To apply for a fishing contest permit with CDFW, complete form DFW-775, accessible online on the CDFW Fishing Contests, Tournaments, and Derbies webpage.

Mail or turn in your application, along with appropriate processing fee, at your regional CDFW headquarters, with an address line "ATTN: Fishing Contest Application." The appropriate addresses are listed on page 5 within the Fishing Contest Application (DFW-775).

I am a sponsor looking to apply for Type A contests. When is the earliest I can apply?

Every year, CDFW sponsors an Initial Offering to facilitate Type A game fish contests permits occurring the following year. For more information about the Initial Offering, see details on the CDFW Fishing Contests, Tournaments, and Derbies webpage. If you are planning fishing contests that will require a Type A - Event permit, we strongly recommend your attendance.

To apply for the initial Offering, you must submit the form, <u>Initial Offering Application</u> <u>for "Type A "Game Fish Contests (DFW 774)</u>.

What are the special conditions for fishing contests?

A list of special conditions can be found in section 3 of the DFW 775 form.

Permit Exemptions

Forms requesting exemption from fishing regulations are available online in the exemptions section of the Fishing Contest, Tournaments, and Derbies webpage.

How do I report the results of a fishing contest?

All sponsors are required to submit results for all contests through CDFW's Data Portal within 30 days of the completion of each contest. Instructions can be found in the Data Portal Fishing Contest Reporting Instructions.

Questions or comments?

For more information, contact <u>Tournaments@wildlife.ca.gov</u>, or contact Shawn Simkins, Inland Fisheries Assessment and Monitoring Program, at <u>Shawn.Simkins@wildlife.ca.gov</u>.

Preliminary Results: These tables represent data available at the time of publication, not necessarily all fishing contests held.

Table 1
Summary of All 2024 Fishing Contest Reports by Individual Water (Permit Types A, B, C, and D)

	Number		Total	Total	Average
	of	Total	Fish	Fish	Weight
Water Name	Contests	Participants	Caught	Dead	(lbs)
Almanor, Lake	13	303	916	9	2.75
Amador, Lake	5	244	229	56	1.97
Antelope Lake	2	35	72	0	1.99
Arrowhead, Lake (San					
Bernardino County)	1	110	87	32	3.82
Baron, Lake	1	75	1029	0	1.02
Bass Lake (Madera					
County)	10	1452	686	13	3.01
-Bear River Reservoir	1	46	198	0	5.05
Berryessa, Lake	47	1950	5027	36	2.66
Big Bear Lake (San			0.405	1000	, , ,
Bernardino County)	3	886	3489	1000	6.14
Black Butte Lake (Glenn		0.1	000		0.10
& Tehama Counties)	3	91	223	3	2.10
Blue Lake, Lower (aka		0.4	77		0.10
Mud Lake)	2	24	77	0	2.18
Blue Lake, Upper (aka	2	120	400	400	1.25
Blue Lakes), Lake County	1	130	409	409	1.35
Britte Valley Reservoir	1	640	543	10	3.68
Britton, Lake	7	18	90	0	2.00
Cachuma, Lake	/	773	550	44	2.44
Cahuilla, Lake, in Lake Cahuilla Park	4	1905	233	0	2.71
Camanche Reservoir	24	728	1655	163	2.71
Camp Far West (Placer		720	1000	163	2.00
County, South Shore Boat					
Launch)	1	20	47	0	1.76
Carrville Dredge Pond	1	65	143	143	0.97
Casitas Lake	12	370	644	2	3.67
Castaic Lagoon	3	45	113	0	2.04
Castaic Lake	9	226	219	16	2.62
Clear Lake (Lake	/	220	217	10	2.02
County)	87	5484	16857	456	4.29
Colorado River (Riverside					.,_,
County)	12	306	810	16	2.83

Convict Lake	2	451	336	336	3.14
Crowley, Lake	4	340	389	171	3.39
Cucamonga-Guasti					
Regional Park Lake	2	123	123	0	1.05
Davis, Lake	4	151	137	44	2.22
Delta (Contra Costa					
County)	73	4089	9735	53	2.36
Delta (Sacramento					
County)	39	968	2561	79	2.23
Delta (San Joaquin					
County)	55	2964	4766	115	2.61
Delta (Solano County)	3	597	132	34	6.51
Diamond Valley Lake	35	1082	1542	68	2.42
Diaz Lake	1	124	431	45	0.82
Don Pedro Reservoir	36	1696	4713	227	2.10
Eagle Lake (Lassen	_			_	
County)	1	44	76	0	3.00
East Park Reservoir	1	21	48	1	1.81
Eel River (Humboldt			500	500	0.00
County)	1	34	500	500	0.00
El Capitan Lake (San	50	1.570	4100	/ -	0.41
Diego County)	52	1579	4129	65	2.41
Elsinore, Lake	1	110	14	2	2.50
Ewing Reservoir	1	43	15	0	0.53
Fall River	I .	12	340	0	0.32
Feather River (Sutter County)	1	200	200	190	4.00
Folsom Lake	15	580	1312	130	2.25
Glen Helen Regional	13	360	1312	13	2.23
Park lakes	2	400	400	0	0.76
H. V. Eastman Lake	10	180	510	1	1.80
Hat Creek	1	12	140	0	0.51
Havasu, Lake	6	90	431	10	2.12
Hemet Lake	8	491	1185	1185	3.99
Hensley Lake	3	38	75	0	2.38
Highland Springs			, ,		
Reservoir	1	14	41	0	3.12
Hume Lake	1	254	437	0	1.49
Isabella Lake	13	1501	1140	500	2.12
June Lake	1	42	60	60	0.58
Kaweah, Lake	9	260	487	4	1.72
Legg Lake	1	50	46	17	0.59
Lewiston Lake	1	36	111	3	0.49
Lopez Lake	7	224	333	0	2.48
Lumsden Park pond	1	100	280	0	1.71

McClure, Lake	33	1349	3498	92	1.87
McSwain Reservoir	2	437	969	569	0.84
Medicine Lake	1	65	260	130	0.50
Mendocino, Lake	1	15	57	0	1.32
Merle Collins Reservoir	2	264	161	151	2.37
Millerton Lake (Fresno	_				
County)	16	544	1669	25	1.42
Mojave Narrows					
Regional Park lake	2	276	276	0	0.91
Murray Reservoir	3	25	53	0	1.53
Murry Park pond	1	200	107	0	0.45
Nacimiento, Lake	16	580	2129	9	1.71
Napa River	1	56	3	0	4.15
New Bullards Bar					
Reservoir	4	207	398	306	1.10
New Hogan Lake	6	166	319	1	2.15
New Melones Lake	37	1477	4534	384	1.86
Oroville, Lake	24	671	2240	11	2.16
Otay Lake, Lower	30	714	2246	41	2.20
Pardee Reservoir	17	511	1211	206	1.75
Park at River Walk lake,					
The	1	734	1250	450	0.36
Perris Reservoir	14	358	636	5	2.26
Pine Flat Lake	23	848	2627	383	1.61
Pinto Lake	1	9	29	0	2.30
Piru, Lake	10	441	1077	13	2.23
Piute Creek (Lassen				_	
County)	1	304	392	0	1.16
Pyramid Lake	17	634	1194	6	2.14
Rancho Seco Park lake	2	703	110	65	3.87
Rollins Reservoir	2	51	186	0	1.78
Ruth Lake (Trinity County)	5	236	664	2	2.46
Sacramento River	,	100	00	00	, 55
(Colusa County)		100	22	20	4.55
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(Sacramento County)	<u> </u>	262	235	37	2.85
Sacramento River (Yolo County)	3	265	50	41	2.65
Sacramento River, Upper	<u> </u>	203	30	41	2.03
(Shasta County)	2	24	80	0	0.82
Salt Springs Reservoir,		27		J	0.02
Amador & Calaveras					
Counties	5	82	377	6	2.80
San Antonio Lake	2	68	123	1	2.72
San Pablo Reservoir	1	147	90	90	2.09
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Santa Margarita Lake	San Vicente Reservoir	41	1760	4444	66	2.14
Sawmill Pond	Santa Margarita Lake	16			12	
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^{*} Table includes all fish species reported caught across all permit types.

Table 2
Summary of 2024 "A (Event)" Black Bass Fishing Contest Reports by Individual Water

	Number of	Total	Total Fish	Total Fish	Average Weight
Water Name	Contests	Participants	Caught	Dead	(lbs)
Almanor, Lake	3	125	399	2	3.19
Bass Lake (Madera	1	1.7	40		0.44
County)]	17	63	0	2.44
Berryessa, Lake	14	1184	3386	23	2.76
Black Butte Lake (Glenn &	1		100	1	0.20
Tehama Counties)]	54	135	1	2.39
Cantain Lake	3	174	309	0	1.52
Castaic Lake	5	140	155		2.28
Clear Lake (Lake County)	27	3525	13299	59	4.07
Delta (Contra Costa	33	2250	7705	20	2.52
County)	2	3352	7785	38	2.52
Delta (Sacramento County)	25	74	573 2672	31	1.34
Delta (San Joaquin County)		2232			2.88
Diamond Valley Lake	20	834	1091	22	2.74
Don Pedro Reservoir	16	1230	3384	21	2.22
El Capitan Lake (San Diego County)	18	975	2169	29	2.71
Folsom Lake	2	199	892	27	1.22
H. V. Eastman Lake	3	83	262	0	1.22
Isabella Lake	3	69	135	0	2.00
	4	178	317	4	
Kaweah, Lake Lopez Lake	3	146	186	0	1.47 2.63
McClure, Lake	14	1020	2338	10	1.91
Millerton Lake (Fresno	14	1020	2550	10	1.71
County)	6	314	961	19	1.36
Nacimiento, Lake	5	321	1082	1	1.77
New Hogan Lake	1	51	98	0	1.85
New Melones Lake	12	800	3083	166	1.65
Oroville, Lake	4	279	1143	5	1.80
Otay Lake, Lower	4	235	568	7	2.84
Pardee Reservoir	2	80	231	0	1.87
Perris Reservoir	1	26	90	0	1.07
Pine Flat Lake	11	641	1956	373	1.51
Piru, Lake	7	375	872	11	2.21
Pyramid Lake	10	466	868	4	2.16
Rollins Reservoir	1	35	152	0	2.09
Ruth Lake (Trinity County)	2	96	195	1	3.07

Sacramento River					
(Sacramento County)	1	54	198	0	2.42
San Antonio Lake	1	44	86	1	2.49
San Vicente Reservoir	16	1273	2835	25	2.33
Santa Margarita Lake	5	289	654	2	2.61
Scotts Flat Reservoir	1	90	9	0	3.52
Shasta Lake	19	1776	10482	22	2.33
Solano Lake	1	275	0	0	0.00
Sonoma, Lake	2	86	170	4	2.95
Success, Lake	7	249	485	2	1.76
Thermalito Afterbay	1	27	199	1	1.89
Trinity Lake	5	284	1150	5	2.93
Tulloch Reservoir					
(Calaveras County)	2	101	449	0	1.30
Whiskeytown Lake	2	64	136	1	3.43
Grand Total	326	23942	67702	893	2.22

Table 3
Summary of 2024 "B (Annual)" Black Bass Fishing Contest Reports by Individual Water

	Number of	Total	Total Fish	Total Fish	Average Weight
Water Name	Contests	Participants	Caught	Dead	(lbs)
Almanor, Lake	10	178	517	7	2.62
Amador, Lake	4	91	181	8	1.84
Antelope Lake	2	35	72	0	1.99
Bass Lake (Madera					
County)	8	100	293	6	2.23
Berryessa, Lake	31	723	1611	13	2.71
Black Butte Lake (Glenn &	_	_			_
Tehama Counties)	2	37	88	2	1.95
Blue Lake, Lower (aka Mud	_				
Lake)	2	24	77	0	2.18
Cachuma, Lake	6	208	486	0	2.46
Camanche Reservoir	20	469	1266	83	2.18
Camp Far West (Placer					
County, South Shore Boat	_				
Launch)	<u> </u>	20	47	0	1.76
Casitas Lake	12	370	644	2	3.67
Castaic Lagoon	3	45	113	0	2.04
Castaic Lake	2	27	23	0	3.80
Clear Lake (Lake County)	53	930	2842	145	3.43
Colorado River (Riverside					
County)	12	306	810	16	2.83
Davis, Lake	2	31	94	1	2.61
Delta (Contra Costa					
County)	39	725	1936	15	2.26
Delta (Sacramento County)	34	715	1919	15	2.04
Delta (San Joaquin County)	28	606	1415	84	2.36
Diamond Valley Lake	12	193	368	4	2.06
Don Pedro Reservoir	19	372	1248	125	2.04
East Park Reservoir	1	21	48	1	1.81
El Capitan Lake (San Diego					
County)	30	478	1374	36	2.26
Folsom Lake	13	381	420	11	2.41
H. V. Eastman Lake	3	40	82	1	2.31
Havasu, Lake	6	90	431	10	2.12
Hensley Lake	3	38	75	0	2.38
Highland Springs Reservoir	1	14	41	0	3.12
Isabella Lake	7	108	194	0	2.44

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		1	24	95	0	2.54
	Grand Total	672	13508	35455	1138	

Table 4
Summary of 2024 "C (Catch/Release)" Black Bass Fishing Contest Reports by Individual Water

Water Name	Number of Contests	Total Participants	Total Fish Caught	Total Fish Dead	Average Weight (lbs)
Britton, Lake	1	18	90	0	2
Castaic Lake	1	14	21	0	1.578095
Clear Lake (Lake County)	1	6	14	0	
Delta (San Joaquin County)	2	126	679	0	
Diamond Valley Lake	2	30	41	0	1.761286
El Capitan Lake (San Diego County)	4	126	586	0	1.788333
H. V. Eastman Lake	4	57	166	0	
Isabella Lake	1	23	60	0	1.9925
Kaweah, Lake	1	21	39	0	1.782564
Lopez Lake	1	27	25	0	2.378
Nacimiento, Lake	2	57	211	0	1.683677
New Melones Lake	2	66	131	0	
Otay Lake, Lower	2	87	417	0	
Pardee Reservoir	1	31	128	0	
Perris Reservoir	1	23	53	0	1.511509
Pine Flat Lake	2	64	139	5	1.762661
Piru, Lake	1	12	57	0	2.6
Salt Springs Reservoir, Amador & Calaveras Counties	1	21	219	0	
San Antonio Lake	1	24	37	0	2.947297
San Vicente Reservoir	2	82	437	0	
Santa Margarita Lake	1	24	81	6	2.640741
Shasta Lake	3	37	248	0	1.75
Siskiyou Reservoir	1	4	6	0	
Skinner Reservoir	1	20	19	0	2.547895
Success, Lake	1	35	43	7	2.767442
Sutherland, Lake	1	14	49	0	3.082041
Trinity Lake	1	13	10	0	
Tulloch Reservoir (Tuolumne County)	2	42	259	0	
Grand Total	44	1104	4265	18	2.072936

Table 4
Summary of 2024 "D (Other)" Non-Black Bass Fishing Contest Reports by Individual Water

	Number of	Total	Total Fish	Total Fish	Average Weight
Water Name	Contests	Participants	Caught	Dead	(lbs)
Amador, Lake	1	153	48	48	2.53
Arrowhead, Lake (San	_				
Bernardino County)	1	110	87	32	3.82
Baron, Lake	1	75	1029	0	1.02
Bass Lake (Madera	_			_	
County)	1	1335	330	7	9.79
Bear River Reservoir	1	46	198	0	5.05
Berryessa, Lake	2	43	30	0	1.23
Big Bear Lake (San	_				
Bernardino County)	3	886	3489	1000	6.14
Blue Lake, Upper (aka Blue		100	400	400	1.05
Lakes), Lake County	2	130	409	409	1.35
Brite Valley Reservoir	1	640	543	10	3.68
Cachuma, Lake	1	565	64	44	2.32
Cahuilla, Lake, in Lake		1005		•	0 -1
Cahuilla Park	4	1905	233	0	2.71
Camanche Reservoir	1	85	80	80	1.88
Carrville Dredge Pond	1	65	143	143	0.97
Castaic Lake	1	45	20	15	3.00
Clear Lake (Lake County)	7	1164	865	414	10.94
Convict Lake	2	451	336	336	3.14
Crowley, Lake	4	340	389	171	3.39
Cucamonga-Guasti					
Regional Park Lake	2	123	123	0	1.05
Davis, Lake	2	120	43	43	1.83
Delta (Contra Costa		_			
County)	1	12	14	0	0.80
Delta (Sacramento County)	3	179	69	64	4.91
Delta (Solano County)	3	597	132	34	6.51
Diamond Valley Lake	1	25	42	42	1.43
Diaz Lake	1	124	431	45	0.82
Don Pedro Reservoir	1	94	81	81	1.36
Eagle Lake (Lassen				_	
County)	1	44	76	0	3.00
Eel River (Humboldt	_	_			
County)	1	34	500	500	
Elsinore, Lake	1	110	14	2	2.50
Ewing Reservoir	1	43	15	0	0.53

Fall River	1	12	340	0	0.32
Feather River (Sutter					
County)	1	200	200	190	4.00
Glen Helen Regional Park					
lakes	2	400	400	0	0.76
Hat Creek	1	12	140	0	0.51
Hemet Lake	8	491	1185	1185	3.99
Hume Lake	1	254	437	0	1.49
Isabella Lake	2	1301	751	500	1.26
June Lake	1	42	60	60	0.58
Legg Lake	1	50	46	17	0.59
Lewiston Lake	1	36	111	3	0.49
Lumsden Park pond	1	100	280	0	1.71
McSwain Reservoir	2	437	969	569	0.84
Medicine Lake	1	65	260	130	0.50
Merle Collins Reservoir	2	264	161	151	2.37
Mojave Narrows Regional					
Park lake	2	276	276	0	0.91
Murry Park pond	1	200	107	0	0.45
Napa River	1	56	3	0	4.15
New Bullards Bar Reservoir	1	170	306	306	0.56
New Melones Lake	1	157	140	140	1.28
Pardee Reservoir	2	138	148	108	0.86
Park at River Walk lake, The	1	734	1250	450	0.36
Piute Creek (Lassen					
County)	1	304	392	0	1.16
Rancho Seco Park lake	1	692	65	65	5.59
Sacramento River (Colusa					
County)	1	100	22	20	4.55
Sacramento River					
(Sacramento County)	2	208	37	37	3.06
Sacramento River (Yolo					
County)	3	265	50	41	2.63
Sacramento River, Upper		•			
(Shasta County)	2	24	80	0	0.82
San Pablo Reservoir	1	147	90	90	2.09
Sawmill Pond	1	100	239	8	2.09
Scotts Flat Reservoir	3	270	159	17	2.11
Shasta Lake	2	174	1000	1000	2.25
Shaver Lake	1	131	91	91	1.55
Skinner Reservoir	1	20	5	0	0.80
Stampede Reservoir	2	225	398	398	0.55
Susan River	1	304	392	0	1.16
Union Valley Reservoir	1	78	32	32	

Various Waters (Inyo County)	4	625	976	591	0.95
Various Waters (Kern	1	020	770	071	0.70
County)	2	70	56	46	3.22
Various Waters (Los					
Angeles County)	1	300	704	4	2.13
Various Waters (Mono					
County)	3	193	59	40	3.56
Village Green Park Pond	1	50	600	0	0.67
Walker River, West	1	97	97	97	2.44
Walton, Lake	1	150	392	0	1.35
Whiskeytown Lake	1	46	264	0	4.92
Willow Creek, South Fork	1	65	217	85	1.34
Grand Total	124	19576	23820	9991	2.89

Table 5
Summary of 1985-2024 Type A, B, and C Black Bass Fishing Contests Held

Year	Event (Type A) Contests Held	Annual (Type B and C) Contests Held	Year	Event (Type A) Contests Held	Annual (Type B and C) Contests Held
1985	57	NA	2005	777	831
1986	151	NA	2006	765	919
1987	156	NA	2007	843	966
1988	234	NA	2008	820	1044
1989	226	NA	2009	808	918
1990	277	485	2010	819	935
1991	265	570	2011	800	922
1992	282	704	2012	790	984
1993	303	704	2013	610	872
1994	298	814	2014	597	851
1995	327	804	2015	515	850
1996	375	808	2016	567	928
1997	422	824	2017	557	894
1998	549	887	2018	566	860
1999	596	820	2019	557	869
2000	630	889	2020	505	820
2001	724	937	2021	499	756
2002	721	934	2022	481	724
2003	843	887	2023	469	732
2004	793	903	2024	325	716