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Stony Ridge Lake
El Dorado Co.

rying fish

Do not, the forest service warns, plan to drop into the Desolation Valley Wild Area.

Might sound like a fine idea to go on a float-plane fishing trip into some of the back lakes, but the forest service is looking for a fly-boy who has done just that — against regulations.

Matter of fact, it's a violation to operate any motorized equipment in a designated wild area. The theory is there is only one-half of one percent of the nation's acreage set aside in a wild state for people who like it as Nature made it, unspoiled by wrecking yards and neon signs.

The sea plane they're looking for shot three landings on Stony Ridge Lake early in August, maybe bringing in fishing parties. Fishing's fine, but let 'em hike in like any other galoot, say the rangers.

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