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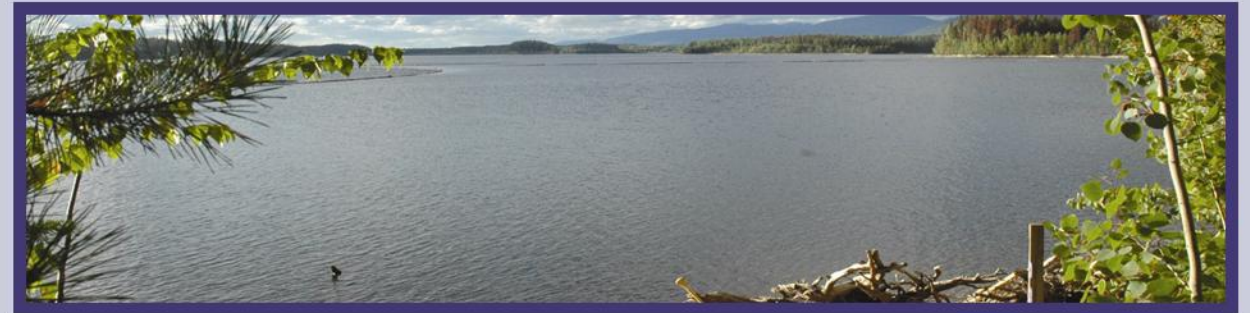
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## *Fishing the Mackenzie & District Area*

*Our sport fishing knows no limits so  
bring your license, gear and sense of  
adventure to tackle these waters!*

# *Regulations and Information*



According to the Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis published each year by the Provincial Government, the Mackenzie & District Area is in the Omineca Zone 7A Region.

You must purchase a valid fishing license if you are 16 years of age or older. This license must be carried at all times as it entitles the fisher to a daily catch quota as outlined in the regulations. Those under 16 years of age and a resident of BC do not require a valid fishing license nor do they have to be accompanied by a license holder. They are entitled to their own daily catch quota. However, if you are under 16 years of age and NOT a BC resident, you must be accompanied by a valid fishing license holder and your catch counts as part of the license holder's daily catch quota.

Licenses can be purchased at several locations such as Service BC offices, private retailers, or online at [www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish). The Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis is also available at any of these locations. Please ensure you have the most current copy of the regulations for the daily quotas and restrictions. To find a current license vendor, please visit <http://a100.gov.bc.ca/pub/lvs>.

Most streams in Zone A are closed for fishing from April 1 – June 30 (check fishing regulations). Single barbless hooks must be used in all streams of Zone A, all year. Bait ban applies to all streams of Zone A all year (see tables in the provincial regulations for exemptions).

For any questions regarding the Omineca 7A Region, please contact the regional office at:

Zone A Omineca Fish &  
Wildlife Regional Office  
4051–18th Avenue  
Prince George, BC V2N 1B3  
250.565.6135

For detailed contour maps of the lakes, rivers, and creeks within this brochure, please visit Angler's Atlas at [www.anglersatlas.com](http://www.anglersatlas.com). This site will provide contour maps except for Williston Lake. For detailed imagery, please visit Fish Wizard at [www.fishwizard.com](http://www.fishwizard.com). Both sites are easy to navigate and free to use.

Please take every opportunity to enjoy the fishing, but ensure that you are in compliance with the regulations. If anyone is poaching or polluting, please report it to:

R.A.P.P.  
Report All Poachers and Polluters  
Conservation Officer 24-hour Hotline  
1.877.952.RAPP (7277)  
Cellular Dial #7277  
[www.rapp.bc.ca](http://www.rapp.bc.ca)  
Mackenzie Conservation Officer  
250.997.6555

# Mackenzie's Fishing Grounds

## Dina Lakes

The Dina Lakes located 30 km north of Mackenzie are accessible via the Parsnip West Forest Service Road. These serene lakes are perfect for day trips.

Dina 1 is restricted to 10 hp and electric motors. Dina 2 is restricted to electric motors. The remaining Dina Lakes are restricted to self-propelled boats only.

Dina 1, 3, and 7 are stocked with rainbow trout, the biggest you will find in the area, while Dina 2 is stocked with eastern brook trout.

These lakes are a great place for the fisherman looking for a decent-sized catch, with some peace and quiet away from the world, or for the family looking to spend the day fishing, boating, and exploring.

## Williston Lake

Williston Lake is a reservoir with changing lake levels that covers over 250 km and has many arms and creeks to fish. All skill levels of fishermen will find a challenge within these waters. This lake is great for larger, seaworthy boats or jet boats, but be wary of surface debris, lake levels, high winds, and sudden weather changes.

Easy water access is available via the Parsnip West Forest Service Road at Alexander Mackenzie's Landing, Cut Thumb Bay, and Finlay Bay depending on the water level of the lake (lowest in



S. Coldwell fishing on Williston Lake

May, highest in August). Boaters need to be aware of the drift wood on the lake shorelines when launching and loading their boats.

Rainbow trout, lake trout, mountain whitefish, grayling, kokanee, and dolly varden (bull trout) are the best catches. Rainbow trout under 30 cm are catch and release only. The average weight of a rainbow trout is between 2-5 lbs. Please note that Williston Lake is also part of Zone 7B Peace Region. Ensure you read the Freshwater Fishing Regulations Synopsis for both areas to ensure you are properly licensed and within the legal catch limit.

Williston Lake is also a great spot for ice fishing as some places are only accessible in winter. These hidden spots provide the experienced fisherman with a challenge and a good catch. Be aware of pressure ridges, gas holes, open water, and broken shorelines.

## Morfee Lake

This lake is conveniently located 2 km east of Mackenzie and is accessed from Centennial Drive by a gravel road. Morfee Lake is a year-round destination for sport fishing.

Year round the lake is home to some excellent fishing for rainbow trout (stocked), lake trout, mountain & lake whitefish, grayling, and dolly varden (bull trout). The winter months are excellent for ice fishing, but be aware of natural springs.

Morfee Lake is the perfect destination for the fisherman looking for a lake within an easy distance with some sensational sport fishing. This lake is the ideal location for families looking to do multiple activities such as swimming, boating and fishing.

## Tudyah Lake

Tudyah Lake is a quick 25-minute drive from Mackenzie heading south on Highway 97. This provincial park is accessible from May 15th to September 20th.

This body of water is open to all sizes of boats and is also excellent for fishing from shore. Rainbow trout, kokanee and dolly varden (bull trout) are readily available for angling.

Tudyah Lake also provides access points for several other waterways. Typically, August has the highest lake level and makes access to the Pack River and Parsnip River easy. Grayling, dolly varden (bull trout), rainbow trout, and whitefish make their home in the Pack River. From the Pack River, an adventurous fisherman can also access McLeod Lake. Grayling, dolly varden (bull trout), rainbow trout, and whitefish can be found in the Parsnip River.

## McLeod Lake

McLeod Lake is one of the most beautiful lakes along Highway 97 and is located 45 minutes south of Mackenzie.

The lake is accessible from several points, but for easy boat access Whiskers Point Provincial Park is the most commonly used point as it has a boat launch and dock for larger boats.

Spring or fall is the best time of year to fish this large body of water. Rainbow trout, lake trout and dolly varden (bull trout) are the primary catches of the day.



## Carp Lake

Carp Lake is located 40 km south of Mackenzie on Highway 97 with an additional 32 km on a single-lane gravel road. This provincial park is open from May until September and boasts some of the best sport fishing around.

Open to boats of all sizes, the boat launch provides easy access to the water. Boaters should be aware that sudden weather changes and high winds can swamp inexperienced boaters.

Rainbow trout averaging 1-2 lbs is the normal catch here along with burbot. Daily limits are reached very quickly on this large body of water.

For anglers looking for some good fishing or a weekend trip, Carp Lake is an excellent location.



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