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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Parks & Recreation

Bonito Lake Reopening for Fishing on Friday, August 30, 2024

Alamogordo, NM Wednesday, August 28, 2024

The City of Alamogordo will reopen Bonito Lake for fishing only, beginning at sunrise on **Friday, August 30, 2024**.

The lake was scheduled to open earlier this summer but was closed the day before its reopening due to the Blue 2 fire. After the fire was extinguished, the lake and surrounding area remained closed while crews worked to build sediment catchment basins to prevent a repeat of the tragic events that unfolded in 2012 after the Little Bear fire.

The Little Bear fire burned much of the surrounding area in 2012, and was followed by heavy monsoon rains that washed gravel and debris from the surrounding mountainsides into the lake. After over a decade, the lake and dam were restored, and the lake filled with water in 2023.

The City of Alamogordo is excited to begin restoring the recreational opportunities in the Bonito Lake area. Please remember that only fishing activities are permitted at Bonito Lake. All City of Alamogordo properties along the Rio Bonito and around Bonito Lake remain closed for any recreational activities at this time.

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