

Water quality is about as good all over the Upper Laguna Madre/Baffin Bay system as I can remember for this time of year. Recent warm weather renders the patterns difficult to read, and the catching of monster trout has not been easy lately. Catching fish is easier than normal, though, due to the excellent water clarity. Normally, when the water clears up to its natural state, we experience a really good run catching big trout at some point. Clear water allows us to read the bottom better, and make more casts close to fish-holding cover elements and structures. Natural-colored lures like molting, opening night and plain white soft plastics, and Corkys in pearl/black, emerald green, and all the other clear ones with silver glitter and darker backs become preferred in daylight hours for me. When it's dark, I like dark red and black lures in clear water. I still have lots of good dates open in the first third of 2016. Call 361-688-3714 or email [kevxl8@mygrande.net](mailto:kevxl8@mygrande.net) to book a trip.