



### ***POST REPORT – Bass and Bluegill Fishing on Basin Lakes – June 14, 2018***

We loaded up the drift boats, grabbed the kids after school and headed for Quincy Lakes (about a 1 hour drive).

**Directions:** Getting there is easy – Take I 90 to the Quincy Exit #149, go North to road 5 NW and take a left, go 3.2 miles then make another left at the public fishing sign. There are numerous lakes in this area, and all provide unique fishing opportunities. The most recognized are:

Stan Coffin: Largemouth bass, bluegills, catfish (motor boats allowed)

Quincy Lake: Rainbow trout

Dusty Lake (hike in required): Rainbow, Brown, and Tiger trout

H Lake: Rainbow trout

Burke lake: Rainbow trout (We've heard some big ones this year)

Evergreen Lake: Smallmouth, Largemouth, Walleye, Tiger Musky, Bluegills (motor boats allowed)

We fished **Evergreen** and **Stan Coffin** for this outing. This is a great place to take the entire family, the launches are nice, bathrooms are available, there's plenty of space to spread out if it's busy, and the fishing is EASY!

**Fishing techniques:** We used 3 and 4 weight rods with floating lines. Bluegills will typically eat anything, but it's easiest to hook them on small nymphs and small wooly buggers. Once you hook one, you will usually hook many more in the same zone. We did fish some dry flies and poppers which are super fun to catch fish with. Fish the edges – casting towards shore and stripping back. You can see several of the flies and poppers we used in the mouths of fish in the pictures. We caught fish at both Stan Coffin and Evergreen. The kids were having so much fun reeling in Bluegills that we didn't focus on Bass, although we did get a small one on a popper! **THIS IS A GREAT PLACE TO TAKE YOUR KIDS FISHING ON A HOT SUMMER DAY!** We do recommend using a boat, as access is so much better.

