

Predictably, the autumn equinox and associated weather patterns pushed a massive bull tide into the local estuaries. This influx of pristine ocean water filled the Upper Laguna Madre and areas of Baffin Bay beautifully. Lately, fishing has been outstanding for this time of year. Numbers of fish and numbers of big trout are higher than normal, and with the pretty water, it's easy to see and cast to targets most of the time. Tides typically stay high in October, so I expect the excellent trends to continue for a while. Topwaters have been working well on days and in places where floating grass allows for their use. MirrOprops cope with the floating strands better than conventional dog-walking plugs. Soft plastics come under the rafts of dead grass easier and have been working best, especially natural colored ones rigged on light jigheads.