

Fishing has been better in the northern reaches of the area lately. Water clarity is exceptional in the Upper Laguna Madre and in Corpus Christi Bay. Not so good in Baffin Bay, especially the western portions. Have caught a few big trout in the nasty water, including a 29-inch specimen in the mid 7 pound class, caught by my friend Jason King. He also caught a fat 5 ½ pounder down there yesterday, despite a tough bite overall. In addition to the murky water, bait seems a little scarce down south. When a big raft of bait is found, it usually leads to much better catching, but many areas which historically hold plenty of mullet this time of year seem void of life.

Up north, things are more like normal. This time of year, with the clear water and cooling water temperatures, the trout seem to like to stay close to the edges of the swag. During the day, it's much easier to catch fish out of the boat, throwing at deep grass beds or even channel edges. Most of the fish are "regular sized". Catching bigger trout often requires fishing in the low light hours, before dawn and while the sun is rising, or at dusk and after the sun goes down.

Am anticipating a steady bite on sinking Corkies in the near future. Had already had a couple of good sessions on them...