

Trout Unlimited proposed amendments by Greg McReynolds. Additions in red, deletions struck out.

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INTRODUCED BY

DISCUSSION DRAFT

AN ACT

RELATING TO GAME AND FISH; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF
CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE 3 NMSA 1978

TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS ON THE SAN
JUAN RIVER.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW
MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 17, Article 3 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] ~~SAN JUAN RIVER SPECIAL~~ **QUALITY WATERS
MANAGEMENT PERMIT.**--

A. The state game commission may designate by rule special **Quality Waters Management** areas on the **special trout water designated section of the** San Juan river below Navajo dam **and other fisheries in New Mexico** ~~as trophy fisheries management areas~~. Any person angling in a **Quality Waters Management trophy fisheries** management area is required to purchase a ~~San Juan river special~~ **Quality Waters Management** permit in addition to a valid fishing license and other required validations.

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B. ~~San Juan river special~~ **Quality Waters Management** permits may be purchased from the department of game and fish or

authorized license vendors for a fee of five dollars (\$5.00) for ~~New Mexico residents and ten dollars (\$10.00) for nonresidents~~ and shall be valid for the license year in which it was purchased.

All funds derived from the sale of ~~San Juan river special~~ **Quality Waters Management** permits shall be credited to the game protection fund to be used exclusively in the ~~San Juan river trophy fisheries~~ **Quality Waters Management area(s)** for habitat improvement, improving angler access, habitat and fishery studies, mitigating ~~siltation~~ **silt and sediment impacts**, improving the quality of the fishery **fisheries, restoration of native trout** and other similar activities."

C. Before committing funds from the sale of Quality Waters Management permits, the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish shall conduct a comprehensive review of the area, develop a proposed management plan and hold statewide public hearings.

Section 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is July 1, 2010. DELAYED REPEAL --This 2010 act is repealed effective June 30, 2020.

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