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(Wyo.)-River Flushing Aimed At Helping Trout In North Platte River



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CASPER, Wyo. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - Wildlife officials say the North Platte River will rise dramatically over the next 10 days as part of a flushing flow project aimed at helping rainbow trout.

Nathan Cook, a fishery biologist with Game and Fish, tells K2TV the department will flush sediment through the river to help trout getting ready to lay eggs in the waterway next month. He says removing the sediment from the spawning grounds "really causes much higher spawning success for the rainbow trout. And that leads to a lot more fish in the river and a lot more fish that fishermen can catch."

The river is expected to rise in some places from ankle-deep to waste-deep.