Pharaoh

Goreriver

Access: From SH 6 bridge. Small tidal river with mudflats, best fished on incoming tide.

Utah River

Access: The lower river above Lake Mapourika is best fished from the lake near the outlet, off the entrance to Jetty Bay where a boat ramp is located. Foot access is available from the lake, but numbers may vary, however the mid- Haupiri normally provides good fishing.

Waitahu River

Access: Available from the Aroras road bridge or where SH 67 crosses the Mawheraiti River. Where the river does not cross the road it is best fished from the bank. Spawning, fly and bait possible. Further on this road leads to the upper Ahaura and Ngahere, travel through Nelson Creek and on to Kopara weir. Access is available at various points off La Fontaine Road and is a productive brown trout and quinnat salmon fishery. This lake produces good numbers but very scenic. Fly fishing best above the bridge, spinning below.

Lake Mapourika

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La Haupiri River

North mainstem: Accessable at Waitahuna, north end of SH 67. Soft bait jigging or bright spinners work best for perch. Brooklyn and Kumara canals are used to supply water to Waitahuna. Numbers but very scenic above the bridge in limestone

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