

## **Reporting Period: February 23, 2026 to March 23, 2026**

**Note:** Missing dates normally mean that the wind contributed to boats not going out to fish. I have a NEW email, if you can send me any fishing news or pictures: [lyncurt0@gmail.com](mailto:lyncurt0@gmail.com)

Summary Comment: In general, this period began with decent fishing for bottom fish and some success for Yellowtail, but it seemed to “turn south” around beginning in March. Some days produced only Goldies and other bottom fish and maybe a Yellowtail or two, with a rare couple of larger fish caught. Shore fishing was inconsistent with occasional Halibut, Corvina and Sierra, but no large numbers. Around Saint Patrick’s Day Yellowtail started to show up in improved numbers and the first White Bass reported. Hopefully this trend will continue as the waters warm. My latest information showed surface water temperatures from 68F to 72F.

**02/20/2026** GATOR BAIT caught Yellowtail, Goldies, Bonito and Mother-in-laws (“Suegra”) near Isla Turner. TUNA HELPER also caught Yellowtail in the Turner area.

**02/25/2026** GATOR BAIT picked up Yellowtail and bottom fish at Turner. NIGHTWINGS shore fished at Christmas Tree for a couple of small “Sandies” and one nice Sierra.

**03/1** GATOR BAIT went back to Turner for Goldies, Salmon, Rockies, but no Yellowtail. GOOD TIMES also caught Goldies and Rockies at Turner. FOR PLAY and EL PATO both fished the Colorado Risco area for Mother-in-laws, Salmon, Mitan (the golden orange variety of Sardinera grouper), and Sardinera (Brownies/Leopard Grouper) caught along the coast of Tiburon. The “Mitan” form is very rare and is a genetic variety that occurs only in 1 to 3% of the species.

**03/02/2026** NIGHTWINGS surveyed the coast off San Nicholas from 10 Mile point to 14 Mile out to 70 feet deep and only saw a scattering of fish marks on the sonar. Nothing wanted to bite there. SAND DOLLAR was out near Turner but found it very unproductive

**03/03/2026** KNIGHTS FISHER tried from the 14 Mile area out to the Cross Roads and Turner to catch Yellowtail, Goldies and a rare Grouper. GATOR BAIT caught Yellowtail, Goldies and bottom species around Dead Man and Turner. SAND DOLLAR fished from Turner to Colorado Risco for Goldies and Mother-in-laws, but no sign of Yellowtail. CAP’N JACK floated out near Red Rock for a nice Cortez Halibut, Trigger fish, Mojarra and Sand Bass.

**03/11/2026** NIGHTWINGS SHORE FISHED AT Red Rock for nothing except one big Corvina. DOS PRIMOS fished Turner for Goldies.

**03/13/2026** KNIGHTS FISHER got a really nice Grouper (Rosy Baqueta) near Deep Reef and Yellowtail and Goldies near Turner. Night wings got Goldies at Colorado Risco and Dead Man.

**03/14/2026** GATOR BAIT caught Goldies, Yellowtail and Mother-in-laws at Turner.

**03/17/2026** CAP’N JACK slow trolled around Red Rock for Mojarra, Sandies, and Triggers. CHICA also caught Sandies, Mojarra, and Corvina in the same area. FOR PLAY caught a White Sea Bass south of Turner, but the Yellowtail not interested. FIRE FOX caught White Sea Bass.

**03/18/2026** FIRE FOX went to Turner for Yellowtail. CAMINO DEL REY caught Yellowtail near Turner and participated in a boat rescue that suffered a fuel pump issue west of Turner. Special thanks to them and to KNIGHTS FISHER for delivering extra fuel to CAMINO DEL REY so they could complete the tow-in to the ramp where a number of locals turned out to help with the recovery of the boat in need. FOR PLAY went to Turner trolling for Yellowtail, Goldies, Mother-in-laws, and barracuda in addition to White Sea Bass south of Turner, off the reef, and a Gulf Coney (Grouper). They also reported that the Lobos Del Mar (sea lions) were hungry and not cooperative with landing the White Sea Bass.

**03/19/2026** FIRE FOX caught White Sea Bass to 40 pounds of perfect eating size(max). DAKOTA caught White Sea Bass jigging at Turner, with a triple hook up. Trolling was slow around the Turner area but jigging paid off quite well. FOR PLAY tried trolling at Dead Man but no bites. They switched to jigging for Yellowtail, including a triple hook up and later two White Sea Bass.

**03/20/2026** NIGHTWINGS tried jigging and trolling at the south end of Turner from 60 to 150 feet depths, drifting and jigging, but only caught barracuda, big Triggers, and Goldies before engine alarms sent us running for home. Fortunately, the trip home was great and we arrived healthy before the wind came up.