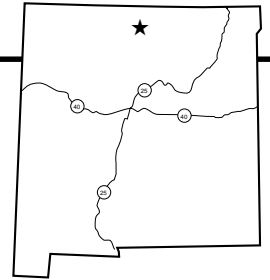
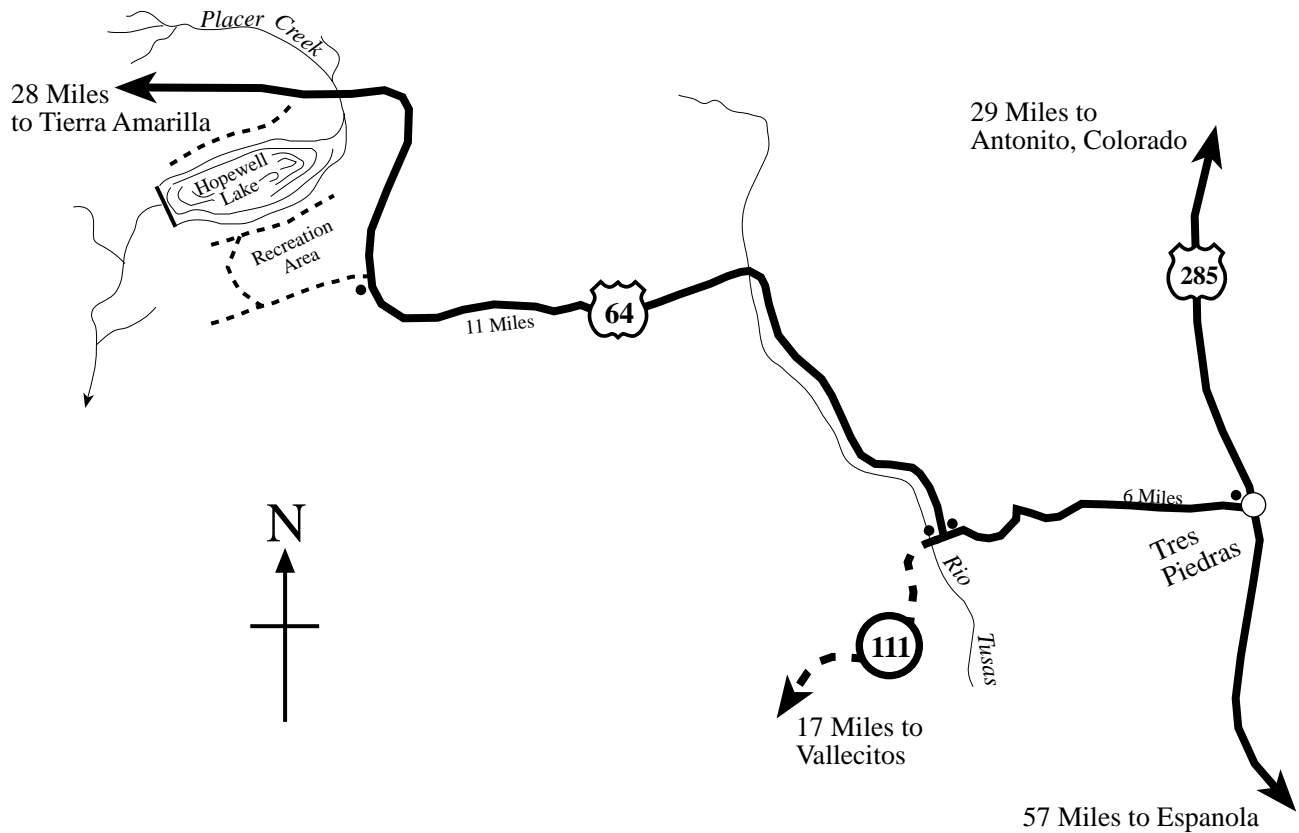




# State Wildlife Areas



## Hopewell Lake



A blue jewel set in the greens of a high mountain meadow and guarded by stands of conifers and aspen, Hopewell Lake holds an abundance of lake-bred brook trout and is regularly stocked with rainbows.

A lake of 19 surface acres, Hopewell regularly provides limit catches of trout; the brookies respond best to flies fished during late evening hours. As are many New Mexico waters, it is now open to fishing year-around — but it is extremely difficult to reach during winter months except by snowmobile. At other

times, it is readily accessible. Its camping facilities also provide a base for autumn's seekers of squirrel, grouse and big game.

Hopewell's development began in September 1951, when the Department of Game and Fish obtained a Special Use Permit from the U.S. Forest Service, which approved construction of a dam across Placer Creek for creation of the lake. In addition, a right-of-way easement providing access to certain portions of the lake was obtained from private landowners.

<u>Hunting</u>	<u>Fishing</u>	<u>Boat Ramp</u>	<u>Camp Sites</u>	<u>Picnic Tables</u>	<u>Toilets</u>
No	Trout	No	Yes	Yes	Yes