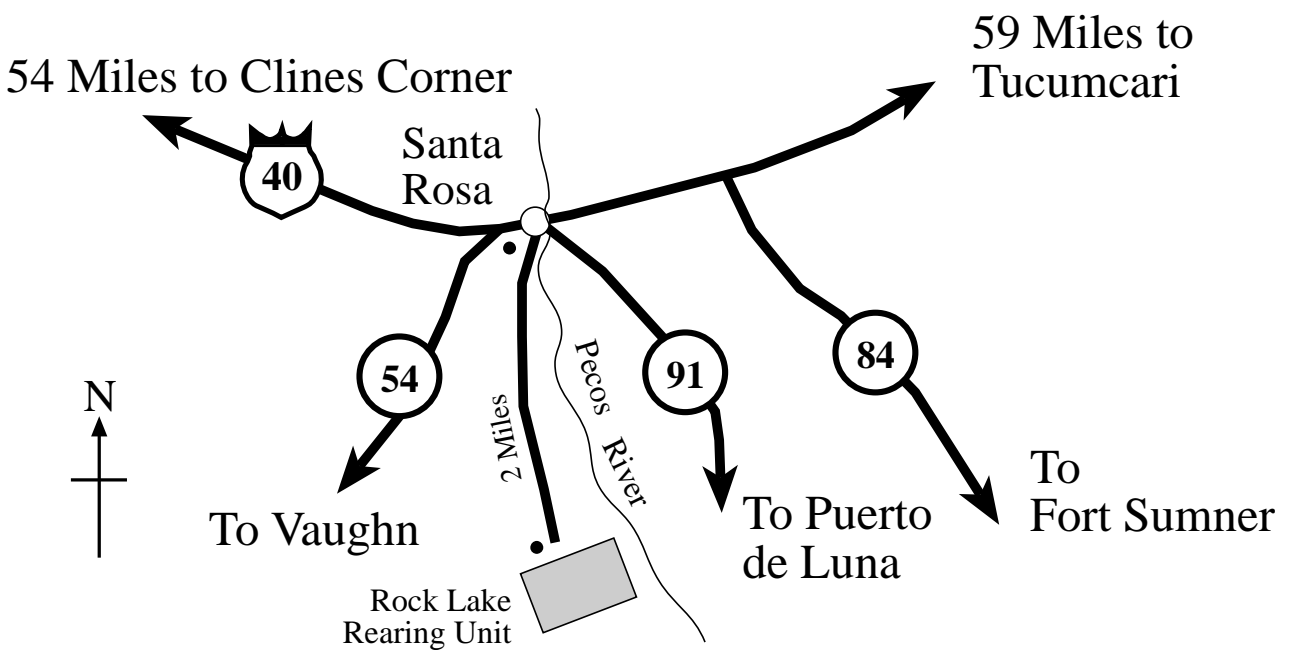
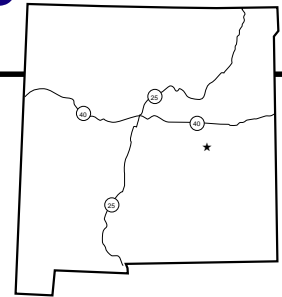




# State Wildlife Areas

## Rock Lake State Hatchery



The water wells up from more than 300 feet below, from a hole so deep as to be eerie. Cool and clear, it is channeled through a series of ponds and raceways where trout feed and grow.

Rock Lake State Hatchery, located just south of Santa Rosa, has been in operation since 1964. Millions of walleye roe, gathered from walleye at several lakes during spring spawning, are hatched

for stocking in all of New Mexico's warm-water reservoirs.

Because of the temperature of the water, the unit is not a dependable trout hatchery, so fingerlings hatched at other sites are transferred here to be reared to stocking size.

No recreational facilities are provided here, but visitors will enjoy the self-guided tour.

Hunting  
No

Fishing  
No

Boat Ramp  
No

Camp Sites  
No

Picnic Tables  
No

Toilets  
No