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limits on Gilliam Road and is stocked by Texas Parks and Wildlife with largemouth bass and channel catfish.

The pond offers a number of covered picnic areas complete with barbecue pits. Don't forget to bring some bread for the flocks of free range ducks roaming the area.

Some 15 miles south of Pearsall one can access the Frio River - for free!

According to TPWD, the river offers a variety of fish that include bass, catfish, drum, gar, sunfish and trout.

Following a good rain the gar population produces alligator gar in an upwards of 200-pounds and over 7-foot long. Despite summer drought conditions this year that have left low water levels in South Texas, anglers have found the alligator gar thrive in the murky depths of the river.

La Salle County offers a number of free places to cast your rod and reel with a variety of fish that include bass, bluegill, crappie, catfish, warmouth, trout, bullhead and carp. Locals in the area enjoy casting a line at Holland Dam. Follow Highway 624 a few miles outside of Cotulla, turn right near a vacated, windowless, brick building and follow the ranch road until you reach the park area. Like the Pearsall pond, Holland Dam offers picnic tables and some barbecue pits.

Remember all anglers must have a valid Texas fishing license!

A day on the lake or river can establish a bond that has the potential to draw a family closer together and reel in future memories. So grab a chair, some bait, a rod and reel and enjoy a nice day in South Texas.



A group of anglers reeled in three alligator gar this summer off the banks of the Frio River just south of Pearsall.



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