

# AFI Arizona, Trout and Trash Bash 2026 - Elgin, AZ



**Start Date: 6/20/2026 8:00 AM**

**End Date: 6/20/2026 2:00 PM**

**Timezone: MST**

Join Arizona AFI for the third annual Trout and Trash Bash at Parker Canyon Lake in Elgin, AZ — one of AZ AFI's flagship events and a great way to give back to the public lands we love while enjoying a day on the water.

The morning kicks off with a group trash cleanup along the water's edge and trails surrounding the lake on the Coronado National Forest. Participants will work together to remove as much litter as possible from this beautiful public resource before shifting gears to a fishing contest in the late morning and early afternoon. Prizes will be awarded for the heaviest trash haul and the longest fish caught — so come ready to compete on both fronts.

Set along the shores of one of Arizona's most scenic high-elevation lakes, this event combines hands-on habitat stewardship with outdoor recreation and good company. Whether you're a seasoned angler or picking up a rod for the first time, there's a place for you here.

Volunteers who need documentation of hours served may request a memorandum from the event organizer.

## Event Details

Date: Saturday, June 20, 2026

Time: 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM MST (stay longer if you'd like!)

Location: Parker Canyon Lake Marina 9000 S Parker Canyon Rd, Elgin, AZ 85611 Meet at the picnic tables near the Marina/Fishing dock.

Cost: Free

## What to Bring

Work gloves

Water and a packed lunch

Hiking boots and weather-appropriate clothing

Sun hat, sunscreen, and sun protection — it's Arizona in the summer!

Fishing poles and tackle

A good attitude!

## What to Expect

Group trash cleanup along the lakeshore and surrounding trails (up to several miles of hiking)

Optional boat transport to trash-gathering starting points around the lake

Lunch break at the picnic tables near the marina

Fishing contest for trout, bass, bluegill, catfish, and whatever else is biting

Prizes for heaviest trash gathered and longest fish caught