**General Information**
Located approx. 75 miles west of Alamosa, Co, Platoro Reservoir is managed by the Rio Grande National Forest. Platoro is a natural and unspoiled destination nestled in the San Juan Mountains of southern Colorado. Platoro started out as a boomtown in the late 1800s following the discovery of large deposits of gold and silver in the area. Summitville is a nearby ghost town where gold was first discovered in 1870, then mined until the early 1990s.

Rio Grande National Forest  
1803 W. Highway 160  
Monte Vista, CO 81144  
(719) 852-5941  
www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/riogrande/recarea/?recid=29544

**Activities**
Non-motorized boating and picnicking. The nearby resort community of Platoro offers boat and canoe rentals, trail rides, cook’s night, there are outfitter-guides, cabins and a store.  
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**Facilities**
Only a boat ramp is available at Platoro Reservoir. No water or restrooms. The closest camping area is located to the north at primitive camp site Mix Lake Campground. Located here one can rent the Platoro Cabin #2 from the Rio Grande National Forest. Please contact the Ranger District (719) 274-8971 for additional information. Reservations and payment made through recreation.gov link or call (877) 444-6777.  
www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/riogrande/recarea/?recid=29582

**Fees**
Fishing license is required from the Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

**Fishing License**
Colorado Parks and Wildlife  
(800) 244-5613  
http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/Fishing.aspx

**Water Recreation**
The reservoir is open to non-motorized boats.

**Winter Activities**
Big game hunting is popular in fall, while snowmobiling, skiing and snowshoeing are popular winter activities.