

## Notice

### Proposed Changes to List of Class A Wild Trout Waters April 2020

The Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) is considering changes to its list of Class A Wild Trout Streams. Under 58 Pa. Code §57.8a (relating to Class A wild trout streams), it is the Commission's policy to manage self-sustaining Class A wild trout populations as a renewable natural resource to conserve that resource and the angling it provides. Class A wild trout populations represent the best of Pennsylvania's naturally reproducing trout fisheries. With rare exceptions, the Commission manages these stream sections solely for the perpetuation of the wild trout fishery with no stocking.

Criteria developed for Class A Wild Trout fisheries are species specific. Wild Trout Biomass Class Criteria include provisions for:

- (i) Wild Brook Trout Fisheries
  - (A) Total brook trout biomass of at least 30 kg/ha (26.7 lbs/acre).
  - (B) Total biomass of brook trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (C) Brook trout biomass must comprise at least 75% of the total trout biomass.
- (ii) Wild Brown Trout Fisheries
  - (A) Total brown trout biomass of at least 40 kg/ha (35.6 lbs/acre).
  - (B) Total biomass of brown trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (C) Brown trout biomass must comprise at least 75% of the total trout biomass.
- (iii) Mixed Wild Brook and Brown Trout Fisheries
  - (A) Combined brook and brown trout biomass of at least 40 kg/ha (35.6 lbs/acre).
  - (B) Total biomass of brook trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).

- (C) Total biomass of brown trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (D) Brook trout biomass must comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
  - (E) Brown trout biomass must comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
- (iv) Wild Rainbow Trout Fisheries
- Total biomass of rainbow trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 2.0 kg/ha (1.78 lbs/acre).
- (v) Mixed Wild Brook and Rainbow Trout Fisheries
- (A) Combined brook and rainbow trout biomass of at least 40 kg/ha (35.6 lbs/acre).
  - (B) Total biomass of brook trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (C) Total biomass of rainbow trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (D) Brook trout biomass shall comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
  - (E) Rainbow trout biomass shall comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
- (vi) Mixed Wild Brown and Rainbow Trout Fisheries
- (A) Combined brown and rainbow trout biomass of at least 40 kg/ha (35.6 lbs/acre).
  - (B) Total biomass of brown trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (C) Total biomass of rainbow trout less than 15 cm (5.9 inches) in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre).
  - (D) Brown trout biomass shall comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
  - (E) Rainbow trout biomass shall comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.

During recent surveys, Commission staff documented the following stream sections to have Class A wild trout populations. The Commission intends to consider adding these waters to its list of Class A Wild Trout Streams at its meeting on April 27 and 28, 2020.

<b>County</b>	<b>Stream</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Limits</b>	<b>Tributary To</b>	<b>Mouth Lat/Lon</b>	<b>Brook Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Brown Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Length (miles)</b>	<b>Survey Year</b>
Berks	UNT to Rock Run (RM 4.96)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Rock Run	40.205555 75.958336	---	40.26	---	1.05	2019
Cameron	Bucher Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Salt Run	41.545349 78.173115	54.64	---	4.32	1.75	2019
Cameron	Finley Run	2	3.4 km upstream of mouth to Mouth	Sterling Run	41.425000 78.232500	30.36	11.36	---	2.11	2019
Cameron	Miller Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Portable Run	41.433121 78.236015	100.48	---	---	0.70	2019
Cameron	Portable Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Sterling Run	41.425278 78.232498	36.71	3.04	---	5.24	2019
Cameron	Reed Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Portable Run	41.431599 78.236481	40.91	---	---	0.99	2019
Cameron	Salt Run	2	Outflow of Salt Run Reservoir to Mouth	Sinnemahoning Portage Creek	41.522778 78.216111	18.79	29.09	---	1.96	2019
Cameron	Snodgrass Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Tannery Hollow Run	41.414741 78.239660	111.77	---	---	2.49	2019
Cameron	Sterling Run	1	Confluence of Finley Run and Portable Run to Mouth	Driftwood Branch Sinnemahoning Creek	41.413056 78.197778	17.58	32.95	---	2.30	2019
Cameron	Wheatfield Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Salt Run	41.537261 78.191986	61.16	0.68	---	0.60	2019
Cameron/ Elk	Big Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	West Creek	41.478226 78.366814	48.57	---	---	4.89	2019

<b>County</b>	<b>Stream</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Limits</b>	<b>Tributary To</b>	<b>Mouth Lat/Lon</b>	<b>Brook Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Brown Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Length (miles)</b>	<b>Survey Year</b>
Cameron/ Potter	Salt Run	1	Headwaters to Outflow of Salt Run Reservoir	Sinnemahoning Portage Creek	41.522778 78.216111	53.63	---	9.74	4.44	2019
Centre	Wallace Run	1	Headwaters to North Branch Wallace Run	Bald Eagle Creek	40.930833 77.816944	18.61	53.75	---	6.74	2019
Clearfield	Little Medix Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Medix Run	41.239444 78.418889	47.89	1.87	---	3.72	2019
Clearfield	Slab Run	1	Headwaters to I-80 West	Sandy Lick Creek	41.137289 78.789462	41.39	---	---	1.69	2017
Clinton	Pepper Run	2	State Forest Boundary at RM 2.62 to Mouth	Long Run	41.061389 77.353333	28.71	23.08	---	2.62	2019
Clinton	Rockey Run	1	Headwaters to State Forest Boundary	Raughtown Creek	41.087215 77.234818	21.27	19.23	---	2.15	2019
Elk	Kay Fork	1	Headwaters to Mouth	West Creek	41.459464 78.532872	46.33	---	---	3.48	2019
Elk	Mix Run	2	English Draft to Red Run	Bennett Branch Sinnemahoning Creek	41.336667 78.198611	19.66	27.70	---	3.27	2019
Elk	Mud Lick Hollow	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Mix Run	41.310413 78.272812	24.36	33.53	---	1.61	2019
Elk	Red Run	2	Paige Run to Mouth	Mix Run	41.303889 78.243889	29.52	15.42	---	2.30	2019

<b>County</b>	<b>Stream</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Limits</b>	<b>Tributary To</b>	<b>Mouth Lat/Lon</b>	<b>Brook Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Brown Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Length (miles)</b>	<b>Survey Year</b>
Elk	UNT to Mix Run (RM 5.27)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Mix Run	41.308590 78.266280	41.15	8.43	---	1.21	2019
Perry	Blain Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Kansas Valley Run	40.356527 77.568100	47.98	---	---	1.54	2018
Perry	Hemlock Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Sherman Creek	40.270832 77.630836	36.16	---	---	1.07	2018
Potter	Ellisburg Creek	1	Headwaters to Mouth	West Branch Genesee River	41.929955 77.894669	54.83	26.92	---	2.28	2019
Potter	Germania Branch	1	Headwaters to Baders Hollow	Kettle Creek	41.593333 77.627222	45.04	61.41	---	1.91	2019
Potter	Germania Branch	2	Baders Hollow to Straight Run	Kettle Creek	41.593333 77.627222	31.99	41.26	---	2.13	2019
Potter	Irish Settlement Brook	1	Headwaters to Mouth	West Branch Genesee River	41.983333 77.876111	6.50	40.77	---	2.80	2019
Potter	Miller Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Little Kettle Creek	41.563333 77.703611	31.71	0.76	---	2.08	2019
Potter	Rose Lake Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	West Branch Genesee River	41.930278 77.895000	4.09	79.56	---	2.86	2019
Schuylkill	UNT to Lower Little Swatara Creek (RM 3.38)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Lower Little Swatara Creek	40.539072 76.339121	30.19	---	---	1.50	2019

<b>County</b>	<b>Stream</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Limits</b>	<b>Tributary To</b>	<b>Mouth Lat/Lon</b>	<b>Brook Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Brown Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Rainbow Trout (kg/ha)</b>	<b>Length (miles)</b>	<b>Survey Year</b>
Tioga	Bear Wallow Branch	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Right Asaph Run	41.807718 77.462639	166.71	4.13	---	1.63	2019
Tioga	Left Asaph Run	1	Confluence of Baker Branch and Rice Branch to Mouth	Asaph Run	41.790001 77.446388	24.29	43.23	---	2.04	2019

Persons with comments, objections or suggestions concerning the additions are invited to submit comments in writing to Executive Director, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, within 30 days after publication of this notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Comments also may be submitted electronically by completing the form at [www.fishandboat.com/regcomments](http://www.fishandboat.com/regcomments). If an acknowledgment of electronic comments is not received by the sender within 2 working days, the comments should be retransmitted to ensure receipt. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION:

Timothy D. Schaeffer  
Executive Director