

Experience Lake Erie Steelhead FISHING

Erie waters are among the best trophy fisheries in the world and include dozens of tributaries with miles of public access. The best times to fish for steelhead are fall, winter and early spring. The streams that flow into Lake Erie in Pennsylvania provide a series of unique seasonal fisheries.

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission (PFBC) has been managing the steelhead fishery on Lake Erie for more than 40 years. With a million juvenile steelhead stocked each year, these fish have dominated the stocking efforts almost every year since 1990.

Many premier access areas are highlighted on the map included on pages 32 and 33. Visit www.fishandboat.com/steelhead.htm for more information. ☐

ID#/Waterway/River Miles/Description/GPS Coordinates

1 Twentymile Creek-0.000 It Fishing access available from Route 5 to the mouth on the west bank ONLY. Ample parking available. Owned by Northeast Township. 42.26030, -79.781410

2 Twentymile Creek-1.502 rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Limited parking available along Gay Road on property owned by North East Township, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.239817, -79.772421

3 Twentymile Creek-2.367 rt Fishing access available on property owned by North East Township. Limited parking available along Gay Road. Follow old road from parking area to stream. Fishing access boundary is not marked. Please stay along stream until boundary is marked. 42.239817, -79.772421

4 Sixteenmile Creek-0.000 It Fishing access available near the mouth on the west bank ONLY. Ample parking available at "Halli Reed Park." Owned by Northeast Borough. 42.240970, -79.833040

5 Twelvemile Creek-0.000 It,rt Fishing access available from Route 5 to the mouth on both sides. Ample parking available off of Shorewood Road. Owned by Harborcreek Township. 42.211110, -79.915220

6 Cascade Creek-0.000 It,rt Fishing available from parking lot to mouth on both sides. Ample parking available. Owned by Erie Western PA Port Authority. Park south of administration office for condominiums. To access creek, walk over the wooden bridge, then proceed north along stream. 42.125550, -80.110500

7 Cascade Creek-0.565 It,rt Fishing access available within Frontier Park on both sides. Ample parking available off of Sixth Street, follow walking path to Cascade Creek. 42.118520, -80.117890

8 Presque Isle Bay Fishing access available at the Waterworks and Ferry Docks, the East and West piers, the Monument and the North pier. Ample parking available. Owned by the PA Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR). 42.147715, -80.129728



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9 Walnut Creek-0.000 It,rt Fishing available from Manchester Road bridge to mouth on both sides, unless otherwise posted. Ample parking available. Owned by PFBC, boat launch also available. On the south west side of the Manchester Bridge, PFBC owns approximately 200 feet of the west bank, which includes part of the "Manchester Hole". Follow walkway from Manchester Road to the stream. The eastern bank of the Manchester Hole is posted. PFBC asks anglers to respect this closure, because the landowner allows fishing on the remainder of their property. South of the Manchester Bridge, fishing is prohibited from 10:00 pm to 5:00 am. 42.075310, -80.238110

10 Walnut Creek-1.055 It, rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Limited parking available along Route 5, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.065940, -80.228799

11 Walnut Creek-2.049 It,rt Fishing access available on PFBC property. Parking off of Dutch Road is very limited - please do not park along railroad tracks. Walking access is difficult. 42.056210, -80.223860

12 Walnut Creek-6.448 It,rt Fishing access available on Mill Creek Twp. School District property (Asbury Woods). Parking available off of Rt. 832/ Sterrettania Road. Follow path from parking lot north to the walking bridge over the creek. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between the stream and marked boundary. 42.046970, -80.171950

13 Walnut Creek-9.791 It,rt Fishing access available from Zimmerly Road upstream 2,600 feet. Ample parking available. Owned by Mill Creek Township (Veteran's Park). Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between the stream and marked boundary. 42.056310, -80.142810

14 Trout Run-0.000 Trout Run subject to nursery waters regulations - closed to fishing. Fishing available at lake shore near mouth. Ample parking available. Owned by Fairview Twp. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between lake and marked boundary. 42.058510, -80.272520

15 Godfrey Run-0.000 Godfrey Run subject to nursery waters regulations - closed to fishing. Fishing available at lake shore near mouth. Limited parking along Godfrey Road, walk-in access from road to mouth. Owned by PFBC. 42.043830, -80.310210

16 Elk Creek-0.168 It Fishing access available from mouth 3,300 feet primarily on west side. Ample parking available off of Route 5. Owned by DCNR (Erie Bluffs State Park), boat launch also available. 42.020950, -80.374670

17 Elk Creek-0.040 rt Fishing access available from parking lot to mouth primarily on east side. Ample parking available. Owned by PFBC, boat launch also available. 42.020060, -80.368090

18 Elk Creek-2.609 It,rt Fishing access available from Elk Park Road downstream 300 feet. Ample parking available. Owned by Girard Township. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.007150, -80.353200

19 Elk Creek-2.649 rt Fishing easement donated by Mercyhurst College. Fishing access available from Elk Park Road upstream 1,550 feet along northeast bank. Ample parking available at Girard Township parking lot on Elk Park Road, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.007150, -80.353200

Pennsylvania Steelhead Fishing Destinations: Lake Erie Tributary Streams

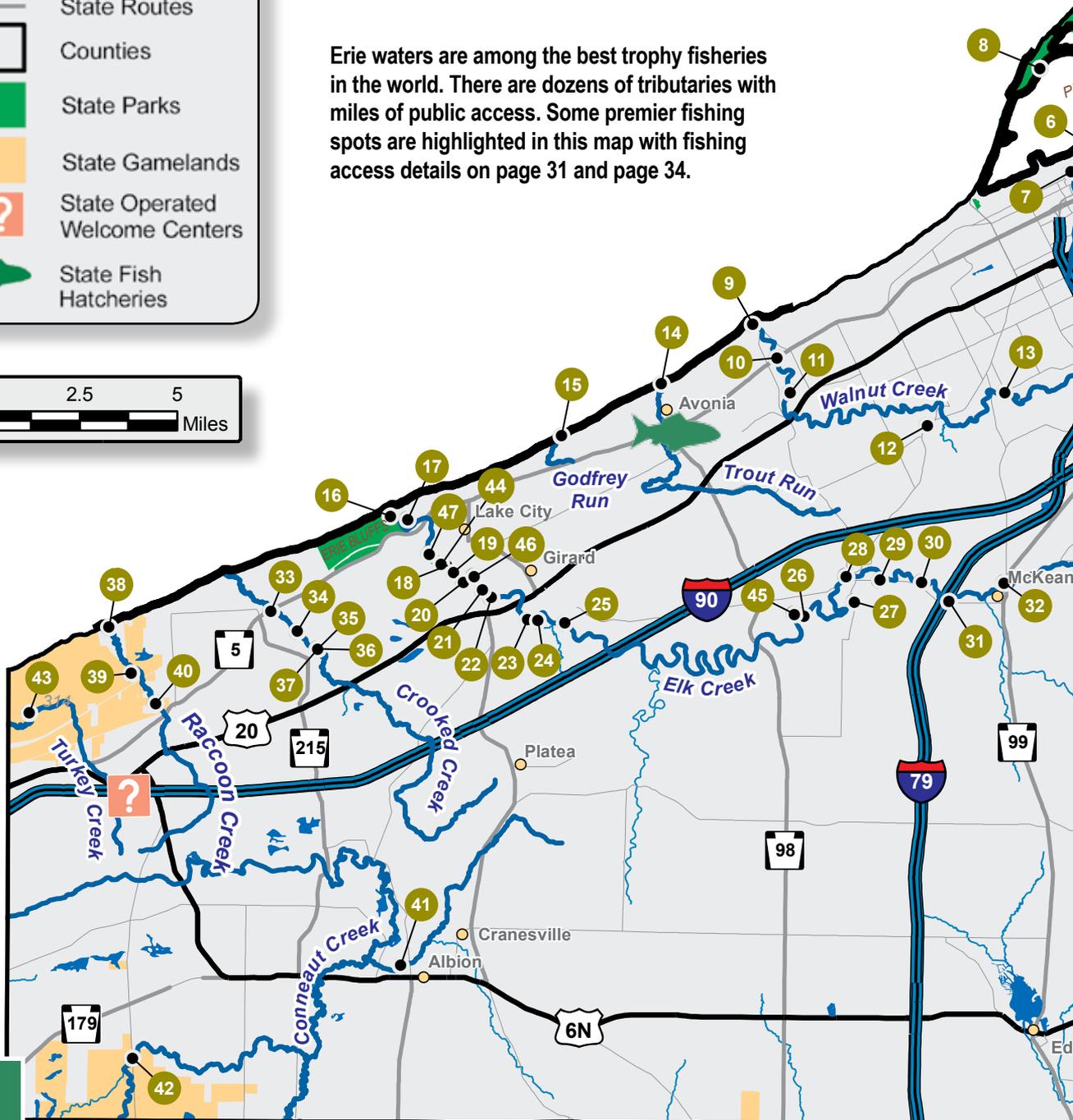


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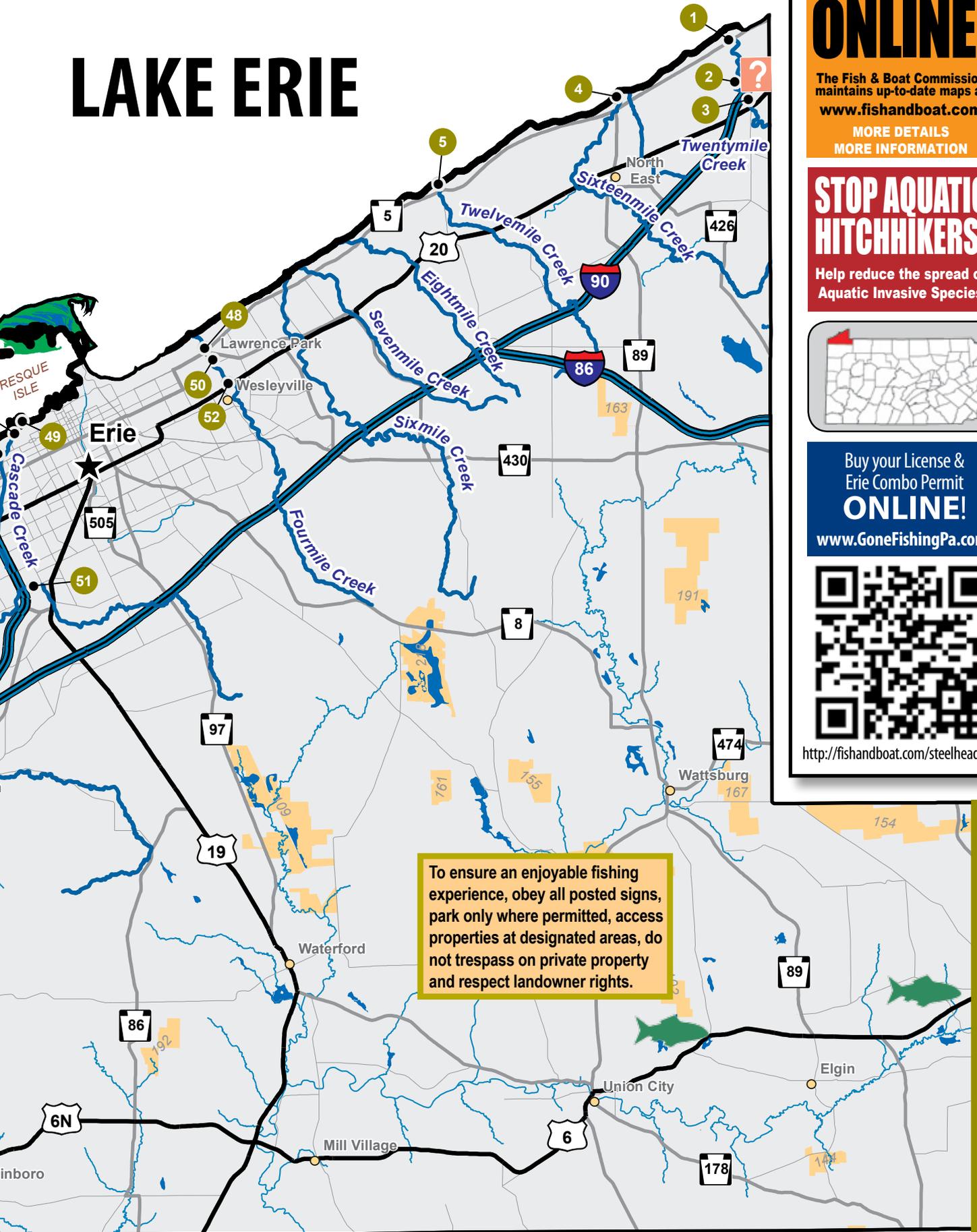
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- Fishing Access
- Cities
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- State Parks
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- State Operated Welcome Centers
- State Fish Hatcheries



Pull out this map to use as a handy tackle box resource!

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To ensure an enjoyable fishing experience, obey all posted signs, park only where permitted, access properties at designated areas, do not trespass on private property and respect landowner rights.

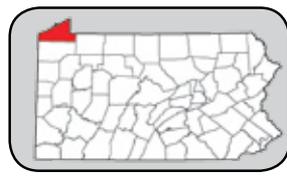
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20 Elk Creek-2.977 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Fishing access available from railroad trestle upstream 1,050 feet along both banks. Ample parking available at Girard Township parking lot on Elk Park Road, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.007150, -80.353200

21 Elk Creek-3.479 lt,rt Fishing access available on easement provided by landowner. Ample parking available at Girard Borough Park, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.998200, -80.336530

22 Elk Creek-3.841 rt Fishing access available on property owned by Girard Borough. Ample parking available off access road in the Park. 41.998200, -80.336530

23 Elk Creek-5.082 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Parking available at the Girard American Legion, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.991790, -80.318810

24 Elk Creek-4.925 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Parking available at the Girard American Legion off of Noble Road, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.991790, -80.318810

25 Elk Creek-6.005 rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Parking available at the Girard American Legion, access via the waterway. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.99179, -80.318805

26 Elk Creek-15.728 rt Fishing access available on property owned by Fairview Township (Struchen Flats Park). Ample parking available off of Platz Road. 41.993160, -80.218560

27 Elk Creek-17.366 lt Fishing access available on property acquired by the Lake Erie Region Conservancy. Parking available along Peffer Road. Fishing access boundary is not marked. Please stay along stream until boundary is marked. 41.997107, -80.199451

28 Elk Creek-17.884 lt,rt Fishing access available from West Road bridge downstream on property owned by McKean Township (Sterrettania Access). Ample parking available off of West Road. 42.004380, -80.202600

29 Elk Creek-19.046 lt,rt Fishing access available on property acquired by the Lake Erie Region Conservancy. Ample parking available off of West Road. Follow path from parking area to the stream. Fishing access boundary is not marked. Please stay along stream until boundary is marked. 42.003700, -80.189260

30 Elk Creek-20.079 lt,rt Fishing access available from Rick Road downstream 900 feet. Ample parking available along Rick Road. Owned by PFBC. 42.002740, -80.174050

31 Elk Creek-21.174 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Limited parking available along West Road, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.997259, -80.163778

32 Elk Creek-22.191 rt Fishing access available on property owned by McKean Borough (McKean Community Park). Parking available off of Rt. 99/Edinboro Road. 42.002510, -80.143040

33 Crooked Creek-1.680 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Limited parking available along Route 5, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.994116, -80.419529

34 Crooked Creek-2.301 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. No parking available on the property, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.994120, -80.419530

35 Crooked Creek-3.058 lt Fishing easement provided by landowner. No parking available on property, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.983493, -80.401949

36 Crooked Creek-3.058 rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Limited parking available along Lucas Road, access via the marked trail from Lucas Road to the stream. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.983493, -80.401949

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37 Crooked Creek-3.514 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. No parking available on property, access via the waterway**. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.983493, -80.401949

38 Raccoon Creek-0.000 lt,rt Fishing access available from mouth upstream on property owned by Springfield Township (Raccoon Creek Park). Ample parking available off of Old Lake Road. 41.989430, -80.480680

39 Raccoon Creek-1.526 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the PA Game Commission (SGL#314). Limited parking available off of Elmwood Road. Walk-in access to the creek. 41.976400, -80.472230

40 Raccoon Creek-2.412 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the PA Game Commission (SGL#314). Limited parking available off of Elmwood Road. Walk-in access to the creek. 41.967970, -80.462930

41 EB Conneaut Creek-0.407 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by Albion Borough (Albion Borough Park). Parking available off of Lisek Circle. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.894380, -80.370240

42 WB Conneaut Creek-5.018 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the PA Game Commission (SGL#101). Limited roadside parking available off of Grirrey Road. 41.867760, -80.471080

43 Turkey Creek-0.000 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the PA Game Commission (SGL#314). Limited roadside parking available along Childs Road. Alternate parking available along State Line Road. 41.965110, -80.510600

44 Elk Creek-2.299 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Ample parking available at Girard Township parking lot on Elk Park Road, access via the waterway. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 42.007150, -80.353200

45 Elk Creek-15.450 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by landowner. Ample parking on North side of stream at Struchen Flats Park, access via the waterway. Fishing access boundary is marked. Please stay between stream and marked boundary. 41.993160, -80.218560

46 Elk Creek-3.185 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the Borough of Girard. Ample parking available at Girard Borough Park, access via the waterway. 41.998200, -80.336530

47 Elk Creek-2.021 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. Parking available on property off of North Creek Road. Follow trail from parking area to the stream. Please do not use the old access road and parking area along the railroad tracks. 42.011606, -80.364948

48 Fourmile Creek-0.162 lt,rt Fishing easement provided by Lawrence Park Golf Club. Fishing easement begins 100 feet upstream (south) of the fish bypass structure at the waterfall and extends south to Rt 5. Parking is not permitted on the Golf Course property. Access to the easement is along a trail near Rt. 5. 42.155265, -80.023186

49 Liberty Park Shoreline fishing access available in Presque Isle Bay at Liberty Park at the Edward "Mathews" Mead fishing platform. Property owned by the Erie-Western PA Port Authority. Ample parking available at Liberty Park off of the Bayfront connector. 42.128811, -80.106107

50 Fourmile Creek-0.677 rt Fishing access available on property owned by Lawrence Park Township (Napier Park). Limited parking available in and around the Park. Fishing access primarily on the east side of the stream. 42.149822, -80.019653

51 Walnut Creek-13.051 lt,rt Fishing Access available on property owned by Millcreek Township (Zimmerly Park). Limited parking available in the park. ADA accessible parking area, access trail and fishing platform on the property. 42.073106, -80.101675

52 Fourmile Creek-1.513 lt,rt Fishing access available on property owned by the Lake Erie Region Conservancy. Limited parking available off of Water Street. Access primarily along west side of the stream. 42.142809, -80.012165

* ID numbers represent river mile distance from the mouth of the stream. It indicates public access on the left side looking downstream, rt indicates right side looking downstream.

** Access via the waterway means the landowner has granted public fishing to be accessed by the waterway only. Do not cross their property or any adjoining private properties without permission.