## **NOTICES**

## FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

## Proposed Changes to List of Class A Wild Trout Waters; July 2024

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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 this Commonwealth'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.

- (1) Criteria developed for Class A Wild Trout fisheries are species specific.
- (2) 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 shall 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 shall comprise less than 75% of the total trout biomass.
  - (E) Brown trout biomass shall 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 July 22, 2024.

						Brook	<b>Brown</b>	Rainbow		
					Mouth	Trout	<b>Trout</b>	<b>Trout</b>	Length	Survey
County	Stream	Section	Limits	Tributary to	Lat/Lon	(kg/ha)	(kg/ha)	(kg/ha)	(miles)	year
Adams	Clear Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Carbaugh Run	39.899551 77.451942		_		1.93	2023
Bedford	Bank Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Yellow Creek	40.143391 78.293892		90.61	_	1.45	2023
Bedford	Wallacks Branch	2	Little Break Hollow Run to Mouth	Bobs Creek	40.263058 78.592224		54.72	_	2.00	2023
Blair	Schmucker Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Frankstown Branch Juniata River	40.481244 78.173201	41.41	_	_	2.88	2023
Cameron	Lower Pine Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Wykoff Run	41.282818 78.126373		0.14	_	1.01	2023
Clearfield	Buck Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Deer Creek	41.086944 78.245000		_		3.71	2023
Clearfield	Deer Creek	1	Headwaters to Little Deer Creek	West Branch Susquehanna River	41.078609 78.235420		_	_	5.51	2023
Clearfield	Unnamed Tributary (UNT) to Big Run (Fairview) (RM 1.46)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Big Run (Fairview)	41.049194 78.220358		_	_	0.80	2022
Clinton	Round Island Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Sinnemahoning Creek	41.298889 77.995000		1.49	_	4.47	2023

Cumberland	d Burd Run	3	Ritner Highway to Mouth	Middle Spring Creek	40.070000 — 77.535553	41.97 —	1.92	2023
Huntingdor	n Robinson Run	2	UNT at RM 2.61 to Mouth	Frankstown Branch Juniata River	40.539472 — 78.087405	61.06 —	2.61	2023
Juniata	Macedonia Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Juniata River	40.609474 66.49 77.445000	9.98 —	2.96	2023
Lycoming	Daugherty Branch	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Manor Fork	41.511997 38.75 77.537437	20.74 —	2.65	2023
Lycoming	Dry Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Grays Run	41.443611 45.61 77.020554	6.71 —	1.42	2023
Lycoming	Holly Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Grays Run	41.492916 41.99 77.069754		1.47	2023
Lycoming	Murray Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Wallis Run	41.386951 0.10 76.929176	52.40 —	1.29	2023
Lycoming	Short Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Grays Run	41.491112 36.21 77.038330		0.51	2023
Lycoming	Trout Run	1	Headwaters to UNT approximately 0.75 mile upstream No. 4 hollow		41.400276 18.12 77.461945	34.45 —	2.72	2023
Lycoming	Upper Pine Bottom Run	1	Headwaters to Zinck Fork	Pine Creek	41.322778 42.95 77.386389	16.29 —	2.09	2023
Lycoming	Yoder Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Grays Run	41.489445 62.35 77.051941	3.01 —	1.74	2023
Mifflin	Granville Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Juniata River	40.573009 54.30 77.584732	11.36 —	3.31	2023
Mifflin	UNT (RM 0.08) to UNT to Laurel Creek Reservoir (RM 5.82)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to Laurel Creek Reservoir (RM 5.82)	40.729017 36.68 77.640042		1.18	2023
Monroe	Poplar Run	3	Downstream boundary of Delaware State Forest to Mouth	Brodhead Creek	41.113611 24.17 75.223889	45.67 —	0.40	2023
Potter	Bergstresser Hollow	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Kettle Creek	41.513889 45.11 77.755000	0.08 —	2.08	2023
Potter	Bolich Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Cross Fork	41.608056 31.14 77.780000		3.67	2022
Potter	Heth Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	South Woods Branch	41.698464 50.16 78.033801	6.46 —	1.76	2023
Potter	Jamison Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	East Fork Sinnemahoning Creek	41.586111 32.68 g 77.900833	9.26 —	2.96	2023
Tioga	Brackman Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Apple Tree Hollow Run	41.581580 55.35 77.575034		0.65	2022
Tioga	Coon Creek	1	Headwaters to Mouth	South Creek	41.670278 38.05 76.944167		2.39	2023

Tioga	Jenkins Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Frying Pan Mouth Run	41.591389 71.34 77.506943	7.29 —	0.78	2022
Union	Halfway Run	1	Headwaters to Rapid Run Mouth	40.991554 44.15 77.188789	4.48 —	1.88	2023

Persons with comments, objections or suggestions concerning the classification of the streams listed may submit them in writing to the Executive Director, 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, objections or suggestions may also be submitted electronically to RA-pfbcregulations@pa.gov.

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