

NOTICES

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Proposed Changes to List of Class A Wild Trout Streams; October 2025

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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 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 October 27, 2025.

County	Stream	Section	Limits	Tributary to	Mouth Lat/Lon	Brook Trout (kg/ha)	Brown Trout (kg/ha)	Rainbow Trout (kg/ha)	Length (miles)	Survey year
Cameron/Clinton	Cooks Run	1	Headwaters to end of road near Lick Run	West Branch Susquehanna River	41.277500 77.885278	13.22	41.04	—	4.10	2020
Centre	Panther Run	1	Headwaters to first tributary upstream of Mouth	Beech Creek	41.107222 77.835000	35.73	1.65	—	4.83	2024
Centre	Panther Run	2	First tributary upstream of Mouth to Mouth	Beech Creek	41.107222 77.835000	43.32	—	—	0.53	2024
Centre	South Fork Beech Creek	3	Interstate 80 to Mouth	Beech Creek	41.048332 77.867775	8.92	46.16	—	4.40	2024
Centre	Wolf Run	1	Headwaters to Wolf Run Trail	Beech Creek	41.087778 77.865556	45.31	—	—	1.30	2024
Crawford	Deckard Run	2	576 meters upstream of Gravel Pit Access Road to Mouth	Little Sugar Creek	41.536667 80.010000	—	45.45	—	1.95	2024
Elk	Byrnes Run	1	Headwaters to unnamed tributary (UNT) 1,000 meters upstream of Auman Hollow	Kersey Run	41.294167 78.513611	55.31	—	—	1.28	2024
Forest	Blood Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Tionesta Creek	41.606944 79.168056	32.62	—	—	2.40	2024
Huntingdon	Halfmoon Creek	2	Centre/Huntingdon County line to Mouth	Spruce Creek	40.697629 78.015718	—	82.65	—	1.70	2024
Indiana	Yellow Creek	2	UNT at RM 21.42 upstream of Rosebud Mining Treatment Ponds to 300 meters upstream Diehl Road Bridge	Two Lick Creek	40.541111 79.167222	—	56.42	—	5.39	2024
Luzerne	Huntington Creek	2	300 meters upstream of T-575 to Grassy Pond Road	Fishing Creek	41.104721 76.361389	7.59	43.50	—	2.30	2023

Lycoming	Otter Run	1	Headwaters to Silver Branch	Little Pine Creek	41.405872 30.33 77.333755	3.00 —	1.12	2022
Lycoming	Otter Run	2	Silver Branch to Mouth	Little Pine Creek	41.405872 33.32 77.333755	16.12 —	2.68	2022
Monroe	Forest Hills Run	1	Headwaters to Mount Airy impoundment	Paradise Creek	41.100664 — 75.270047	196.70 —	2.45	2024
Monroe	Forest Hills Run	2	Mount Airy impoundment to Mouth	Paradise Creek	41.100664 — 75.270047	70.23 —	2.98	2024
Potter	Left Branch Young Womans Creek	1	Headwaters to Forest Road Bridge	Young Womans Creek	41.370833 34.32 77.699722	5.42 —	2.30	2020
Potter	Ludington Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Genesee River	41.939243 6.21 77.812650	41.97 —	6.63	2021
Potter	UNT to Francis Branch (RM 3.44)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Francis Branch	41.555195 46.45 77.610760	10.05 —	1.80	2024
Potter	UNT to Ludington Run (RM 3.43)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Ludington Run	41.895926 34.39 77.802045	90.47 —	2.49	2021
Tioga	Taylor Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Tioga River	41.658611 35.56 77.048333	— —	2.48	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 also may be submitted electronically to RA-pfbcregulations@pa.gov.

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