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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission

AGENDA¹

The 167th Meeting of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission will be held on Monday, July 27, 2026, at the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission headquarters, 1601 Elmerton Avenue, Harrisburg, PA 17110.

The public session for review of this agenda will begin on July 27, 2026, at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

John E. Mahn, Jr., President
Donald K. Anderson, Vice President
William C. Brock
Charles J. Charlesworth
William J. Gibney
Eric C. Hussar
Richard S. Kauffman
Steven M. Ketterer
Daniel J. Pastore
Robert B.J. Small

Pledge of Allegiance

Staff and Volunteer Recognition

Public Comments to Commissioners and Staff

Review and Approval of Minutes of April 27, 2026, Meeting

Executive Director's Report

Reports of Commissioner Committees

Announcement of Executive Sessions

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NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FOR STOCKING OF CLASS A WILD TROUT STREAMS

The Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission), acting under the authority of 58 Pa. Code § 57.8a (relating to Class A wild trout streams), has granted the following exemption to allow for the stocking of trout on a Class A wild trout stream that met the stocking criteria set forth in the current edition of the *Operational Guidelines for the Management of Trout Fisheries in Pennsylvania Waters*.

There was one stocking exemption granted on a Class A wild trout stream section. It is a renewal that is valid for five years.

- A. Renewal exemption to 58 Pa. Code § 57.8a (Class A wild trout streams) to allow for the stocking of adult trout in Letort Spring Run, Section 3. 2021 exemption criterion: pre-existing fishing derbies and exclusive use fishing areas.

**EXECUTIVE
FINAL RULEMAKING**

A. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 51.6 (Petitions or Requests for Regulations).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 2848 (May 16, 2026) (Exhibit A). The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) received no public comments relating to this proposal.

Briefer:

Robert Schefter, Chief, Office of Chief Counsel

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 51]

Administrative Provisions; Petitions or Requests for Regulations

[56 Pa.B. 2848]

[Saturday, May 16, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend Chapter 51 (relating to administrative provisions). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). Section 51.6 (relating to petitions or requests for regulations) describes the process for proposing regulations for consideration by the commission. This proposed rulemaking would further clarify the review process for regulations proposed by the public.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

This proposed amendment to Chapter 51 is published under the statutory authority of 65 Pa.C.S. § 710 (relating to rules and regulations for conduct of meetings) and section 506 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 186).

D. *Purpose and Background*

Section 51.6 allows for the submission of petitions from the public to create or change commission regulations. Subsection (b) directs an initial staff review of the petition to ensure: (i) the petition is complete (under 1 Pa. Code § 35.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, waiver or deletion of regulations)), (ii) the request is within the authority or jurisdiction of the commission and (iii) the request does not conflict with Federal or Commonwealth law. If the petition does not meet any of these threshold requirements, the petition is returned with a statement of the reason for the return.

With no internal appeal process of this action in commission regulations, the return by commission staff is appealable to the commission under the General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure (GRAPP) in 1 Pa. Code § 35.20 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff). Chapter 35 of 1 Pa. Code (relating to formal proceedings) lays out a detailed appeal process to be followed. The process could include the appointment of a hearing officer and a formal hearing.

This proposed rulemaking is necessary because the GRAPP appeal provisions should not apply to a proposal that does not meet the minimum threshold requirements for further consideration. The commission welcomes proposed regulations from the public and respects due process rights, while also reserving the right not to accept proposals that do not fall within the commission's authority or jurisdiction or that conflict with Federal or State law. This proposed rulemaking is further necessary because the current provisions do not provide direction to the petitioner or the commission if a petition is returned as noncompliant with § 51.6(b).

The purpose of this proposed rulemaking is to provide direction to the petitioner and commission staff members if the petition is deficient without an unnecessary appeal under the GRAPP provisions and to indicate that certain actions by staff members or the commission are the final administrative adjudication on the petition. This proposed rulemaking clarifies the review process and appeal rights for the petitioner and streamlines the process for both the petitioner and the commission regarding petitions that do not meet the substantive threshold requirements of § 51.6.

E. Summary of Proposal

Section 51.6 provides a process for the public to propose new regulations or amendments to existing regulations to the commission. This proposed rulemaking first adds language to § 51.6(b) to allow the resubmission of incomplete petitions, to notify the petitioner that the commission will take no further action on substantively deficient petitions and to direct that the initial staff review is the final administrative adjudication for substantively deficient petitions, as set forth in Annex A.

The last sentence of proposed § 51.6(b)(3), which reads "[t]his section supersedes 1 Pa. Code § 35.20," notifies the petitioner that the appeal provisions of the GRAPP are not available if the petition is substantively deficient as noncompliant with subsection (b)(1)(ii) or (iii).

If commission staff accepts the petition for further review by the commission, § 51.6(d)—(g) describes the review process. This proposed rulemaking clarifies that any action taken by the commission on the petition is the final administrative adjudication, as set forth in Annex A.

Therefore, the commission proposes that § 51.6 be amended to clarify the review process for proposed regulations by the public, as set forth in Annex A.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-370. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER 51. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Subchapter A. PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

§ 51.6. Petitions and requests for regulations.

(a) *Form.* Petitions or requests for regulations addressed to the Commission shall be submitted in the format set forth in 1 Pa. Code § 35.18 (relating to petitions for issuance, amendment, waiver or deletion of regulations).

(b) *Initial staff review.*

(1) The staff will review every petition for regulations to ensure that:

(i) It is complete as required by 1 Pa. Code § 35.18.

(ii) The petition requests an action within the authority or jurisdiction of the Commission.

(iii) The petition does not conflict with applicable Commonwealth or Federal law.

(2) If the staff determines the petition is not acceptable for one of the reasons set forth in paragraph (1), it will return the petition to the petitioner together with a statement of the reason why it is not acceptable.

(i) If the petition is being returned as incomplete under paragraph (1)(i), the statement shall indicate that the petition may be resubmitted upon completion.

(ii) If the petition is being returned as noncompliant with paragraph (1)(ii) or (iii), the statement shall indicate that the commission will take no further action on the petition.

(3) A staff determination of noncompliance with paragraph (1)(ii) or (iii) will be considered the final administrative adjudication of the Commission on the petition. This section supersedes 1 Pa. Code § 35.20 (relating to appeals from actions of the staff).

(c) *Oral presentation.* A petitioner will be given the opportunity to make a 5-minute oral presentation on a petition that the staff determines is appropriate for further consideration. The oral presentation will be scheduled for the next meeting of the Commission occurring more than 30 days after completion of the initial staff review.

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(g) *Commission action.* The staff shall submit the petition, the staff report, the petitioner's response, if any, the staff response, if any and, in the case of boating regulations, the advice and

opinions of the Boating Advisory Board to the Commission for consideration as part of the agenda of the next regular meeting occurring more than 30 days after the file is deemed complete. The Commission will determine what action to undertake with respect to the petition at a public meeting. **The action taken by the Commission will be considered the final administrative adjudication of the Commission on the petition.**

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**EXECUTIVE
FINAL RULEMAKING**

B. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 51.7 (Public Comments at Commission Meetings).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 2849 (May 16, 2026) (Exhibit B). The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) received no public comments relating to this proposal.

Briefer:

Robert Schefter, Chief, Office of Chief Counsel

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 51]

Administrative Provisions; Public Comments at Commission Meetings

[56 Pa.B. 2849]

[Saturday, May 16, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend Chapter 51 (relating to administrative provisions). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). Section 51.7(b) (relating to public comments at Commission meetings) directs that a public comment period be provided at the beginning of each committee meeting in an appropriate format determined by the committee chair. This rulemaking proposes to permit the public comment period for virtual committee meetings to be provided prior to the date of the meeting.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The proposed amendment to § 51.7(b) is published under the authority of 65 Pa.C.S. § 710 (relating to rules and regulations for conduct of meetings) and section 506 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 186).

D. *Purpose and Background*

Section 51.7(b) directs that "[t]he committee chair will provide a brief public comment period at the beginning of each committee meeting." The current practice is to hold most committee meetings virtually for efficiency purposes, including alleviating the need for some individuals to travel great distances to attend the meeting. The current practice for accepting public comments for virtual meetings is to hold the public comment period during a scheduled block of time on a date prior to the meeting by means of telephonic voice message. This format provides flexibility to the public to make comments at the commenter's convenience during the defined time period without having to connect remotely at the time of the meeting. This format avoids the risk of technological difficulties and also avoids the risk to the commission of inappropriate use of remote technology during public comment; for example, inappropriate language or images being broadcast live across the Internet.

The public comment period for virtual meetings and instructions for making public comments are posted along with the notice of the meeting; notices are posted in accordance with 65 Pa.C.S. § 709 (relating to publicnotice). The agenda for each meeting is published on the commission's website prior to the public comment period. The current practice is for the public comment period to begin at 8 a.m. and continue until 12 p.m. the following day, approximately 1 to 2 weeks prior to the meeting, providing ample opportunity for those who wish to provide public comment. Once the public comment period ends, the comments are transcribed and provided to the committee members prior to the meeting.

This proposed rulemaking is necessary to align the commission regulation relating to public comments at committee meetings with the current practice of accepting public comments for virtual committee meetings on a date prior to the meeting. This proposed rulemaking would satisfy the need by directing the committee chair to provide a public comment period to be held prior to the date and time of the meeting. This proposed rulemaking reflects the current practice of accepting public comments by means of telephone message, while permitting the committee chair to select another appropriate format. This proposed rulemaking also ensures that the meeting agenda and public comment period and format are provided with the notice of the meeting. This practice ensures that the public will have the agenda items in advance of the public comment period. This proposed rulemaking further ensures that committee members will receive public comments prior to any deliberation that may occur at the committee meeting.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes to amend § 51.7(b) to permit the public comment period for virtual committee meetings to be provided prior to the date of the meeting by adding paragraphs (1) and (2) as set forth in Annex A.

The first and second sentences of proposed paragraph (1) define the current practice of accepting public comments prior to the date of the meeting by telephonic message, while allowing the chair to select another appropriate format. The last sentence ensures the public has the meeting agenda prior to the public comment period by requiring that the agenda and public comment period and format be provided when the public notice of the meeting is posted. Proposed paragraph (2) provides a definition of the term "virtual meetings."

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

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Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

CHAPTER 51. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Subchapter A. PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

§ 51.7. Public comments at Commission meetings.

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(b) *Public comments at committee meetings.* The committee chair will provide a brief public comment period at the beginning of each committee meeting. The committee chair will determine an appropriate format for this period, including its length. The [Committee] committee chair may limit comments to matters that are related to the charge of the committee that are not repetitive or duplicative of other comments.

(1) *Public comments at virtual committee meetings.* For virtual committee meetings, the committee chair will provide a public comment period to be held prior to the date of the meeting. The format for public comments will be by telephonic voice message or other appropriate format determined by the committee chair. The meeting agenda and the public comment period and format shall be provided with the public notice of the meeting.

(2) *Definition.* As used in this section, the term "virtual meeting" means a meeting conducted using digital technology that allows participants to communicate in real time from remote physical locations.

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**EXECUTIVE
PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

A. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code Chapter 51 (Administrative Provisions).

Commentary:

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) regulations provide specific appeal provisions for certain matters, but do not provide a general internal appeals process for parties otherwise aggrieved by an adverse action of the Commission. Without such regulations in place, the default appeal process for a party aggrieved by the action of a Commonwealth agency is set forth in the General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure (GRAPP) at Title 1 Pa. Code Part II. E. The GRAPP appeal provisions are overly complicated and difficult to navigate for parties without legal counsel.

Staff propose that 58 Pa. Code Chapter 51 be amended to provide a clear, streamlined process tailored to the needs of the Commission and to better serve the needs of those who wish to appeal an adverse action that is not otherwise addressed by Commission regulations.

Subchapter N. GENERAL APPEAL PROVISIONS

- 51.132. Purpose and scope.
- 51.133. Initiation of appeal. Content. Timing.
- 51.134. Procedure in lieu of hearing.
- 51.135. Scheduling of hearing.
- 51.136. Hearing.
- 51.137. Report of presiding officer.
- 51.138. Order.

§ 51.132. Purpose and scope.

- (a) An appeal from an adverse action by the Commission may be brought under this subchapter by an aggrieved party whose rights have been directly affected by the adverse action.
- (b) This subchapter does not apply to the following:
 - (1) Title 58 § 51.6: Petitions or requests for regulations.
 - (2) Title 58 Subchapter C: Suspension, Denial or Revocation of Licenses, Permits, Registrations or Privileges (§ 51.21 to § 51.29).
 - (3) Title 58 Subchapter E: Permit Procedures (§ 51.41 to § 51.46).
 - (4) Title 58 Subchapter K: Civil Penalty Forfeiture Process (§ 51.101 to § 51.109) (relating to marking of dams).
 - (5) 30 Pa. C.S.A. § 927: Forfeiture of fish and devices.
 - (6) Personnel actions.
 - (7) Orders based upon a proceeding before a court of law.

- (c) This subchapter governs where inconsistent with 1 Pa. Code Part II: General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure (§ 31.1 to § 35.251).

§ 51.133. Initiation of appeal. Content. Timing.

- (a) An appeal shall be in a writing captioned "Appeal" and shall contain the following information:
- (1) Name, address, telephone number and email address of the appellant.
 - (2) Name and address of the person or party within the Commission who made the adverse decision being appealed (the "respondent") (appellant and respondent are collectively referred to as the "parties").
 - (3) A concise statement of relevant facts and grounds upon which the appeal is based. Supporting material may be submitted with the Appeal.
 - (4) Statute, regulation or right alleged to have been violated.
 - (5) The relief sought.
 - (6) Whether a hearing is requested.
- (b) Appeals shall be submitted in writing via regular mail to the Executive Director within 30 calendar days following issuance of a notice of an adverse action. This subsection supplements 1 Pa. Code § 31.11 to § 31.15 regarding time.
- (c) The Executive Director shall provide a copy of the Appeal and any submitted supporting material to the respondent. The respondent may reply in writing to the Appeal and deliver the reply to the Executive Director via regular or inter-office mail within 10 days after receipt of the Appeal.

§ 51.134. Procedure in lieu of hearing.

- (a) When a hearing is not requested, the Executive Director or designee shall review the matter and collect any additional information deemed necessary. The Executive Director or designee shall issue a written Order granting or denying the appeal and, if granted, provide a statement of any relief granted. The Executive Director shall deliver the Order to the parties.
- (b) The Order shall be considered the final administrative adjudication of the Commission. This subsection supersedes 1 Pa. Code § 35.226 regarding final orders.

§ 51.135. Scheduling of hearing.

- (a) In an appeal where a request for hearing is set forth in the Appeal, the Executive Director shall appoint a presiding officer to conduct the hearing on behalf of the Commission who is not involved in the underlying adverse action.
- (b) *Notice of hearing.* The presiding officer shall provide the parties at least 10 days' written notice of the date, time and location of the hearing. Hearings will be conducted at the Harrisburg office of the Commission or at another location as the Executive Director may designate.
- (c) *Continuance requests.* Continuance requests shall be in writing and submitted to the presiding officer and the other party. The request shall state whether the continuance is opposed by the other party. Objections to the request shall be in writing and submitted to the presiding officer. The presiding officer may grant a

continuance for good cause shown. The decision by the presiding officer on a continuance request is final. Failure of the appellant to appear at the hearing shall result in dismissal of the appeal, absent emergency circumstances at the discretion of the presiding officer.

§ 51.136. Hearing.

- (a) The presiding officer shall conduct the hearing. The respondent Commission bears the burden of proof and shall present its case first through witness and documentary evidence. Witnesses are subject to cross examination. The appellant shall then present its case in the same manner. The presiding officer may question parties and witnesses. Any further proceedings at the hearing are at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- (b) The burden of proof to justify the action being appealed will be on the Commission to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the action taken is justified by the facts and the circumstances.
- (c) Strict adherence to the Pennsylvania Rules of Evidence generally is not required. The presiding officer will rule on questions of admissibility and relevance of evidence and other evidentiary matters.
- (d) Opening and closing statements may be permitted at the discretion of the presiding officer.
- (e) Stenographic or electronic recordings of the hearing are permitted at the expense of the ordering party. Transcript copies shall be made available to the presiding officer and opposing party for a reasonable fee to be determined by the presiding officer or as set by a professional court reporter hired to transcribe the hearing.

§ 51.137. Report of presiding officer.

- (a) After the hearing is closed, the presiding officer shall prepare and deliver to the Executive Director a report, the contents of which shall include, at a minimum, separate sections for:
 - (1) Findings of fact.
 - (2) Conclusions of law.
 - (3) A recommended decision to include a grant or denial of the relief sought.
- (b) The report of the presiding officer is due to the Executive Director within 30 days after the hearing unless extended by the Executive Director.

§ 51.138. Order.

- (a) The Executive Director shall review the report of the presiding officer and issue a written Order granting or denying the appeal and, if granted, provide a statement of any relief granted. The Executive Director shall deliver the Order to the parties.
- (b) The Executive Director shall notify the members of the Commission of the Order at the next regular or special meeting of the Commission.
- (c) The Order shall be considered the final administrative adjudication of the Commission on the appeal. This subsection supersedes 1 Pa. Code § 35.226 regarding final orders.

Briefer:

Robert Schefter, Chief, Office of Chief Counsel

Recommendation:

Staff recommend the publication of a notice of proposed rulemaking containing the amendment as described in the Commentary. If adopted on final rulemaking, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

**EXECUTIVE
PROPERTY SERVICES**

A. Easement Acquisition, Walnut Creek, Fairview Township, Erie County.

Commentary:

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) has been offered the opportunity to acquire an easement along Walnut Creek in Fairview Township, Erie County, as depicted on Exhibit C (Location Map). Asbury Woods Partnership Inc. (Partnership) has offered a 730-foot easement (both sides) close to existing easement locations on the Partnership property as depicted on Exhibit D (Site Map). The easement is for public access and aquatic resource management and includes the stream corridor 35 feet from the top of the bank to the extent of the ownership of the Partnership. The purchase price of this easement is \$14,000. Funds from the Lake Erie restricted account will be used for the purchase of this easement.

This area of Walnut Creek is accessible through an established trail network that begins at the Partnership main parking area. The Partnership recently acquired this property and intends to restore the site, establish additional parking and improve the trail connectivity. While public access already exists in this area, acquiring an easement on this site will provide additional access as well as security that this area will remain open to the public.

Briefer:

Penny Ayers, Chief, Division of Public Access and Property Services

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission consent to the acquisition of an easement along Walnut Creek in Fairview Township, Erie County, as described in the Commentary.

Action:

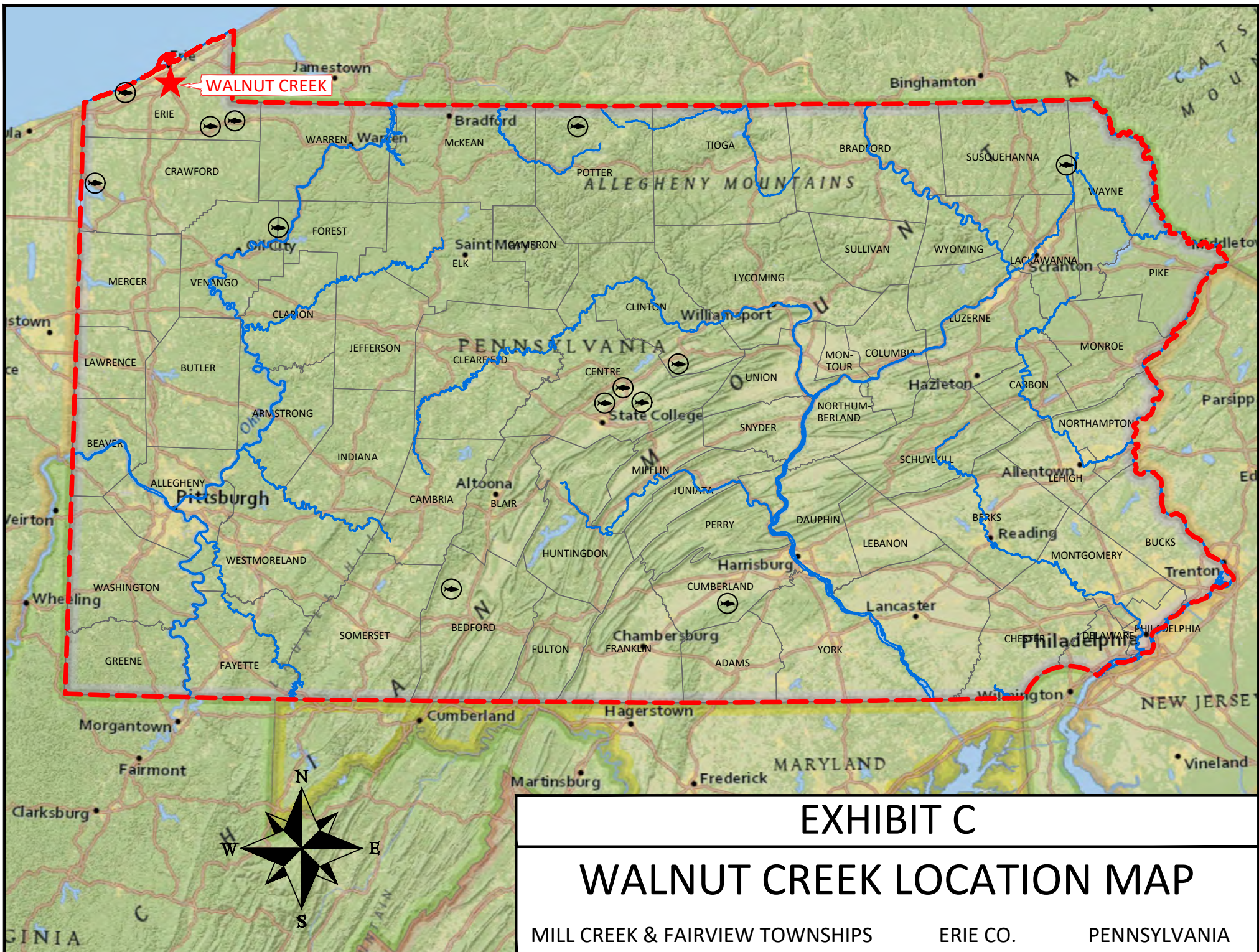


EXHIBIT C

WALNUT CREEK LOCATION MAP

MILL CREEK & FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIPS

ERIE CO.

PENNSYLVANIA



Walnut 6.118 ft, rt

Walnut Creek

Old Sterrettania Rd.

Sterrettania Rd.

Asbury Woods
Partnership Inc
4105 Asbury RD
Erie, PA 16506

EXHIBIT D

ASBURY WOODS SITE MAP

MILL CREEK TOWNSHIP

ERIE COUNTY

PENNSYLVANIA

**EXECUTIVE
PROPERTY SERVICES**

B. Easement Acquisition, Walnut Creek, Fairview Township, Erie County.

Commentary:

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) has been offered the opportunity to acquire an easement along Walnut Creek in Fairview Township, Erie County, as depicted on Exhibit E (Location Map). Judith M. Schroeck has offered a 312-foot easement along a section of Walnut Creek as depicted on Exhibit F (Site Map). The easement is for public access and aquatic resource management. The purchase price of this easement is \$5,750. Funds from the Lake Erie restricted account will be used for the purchase of this easement.

Although this easement does not include parking and does not provide easy access, the location is important because the property is just north of the “tubes” area of Dutch Road. Acquisition of this easement is part of a strategic plan to allow for future fish movement upstream. Securing long term access to upstream properties on Walnut Creek is critical for potential future projects, which will lead to increased fishing access for anglers.

Briefer:

Penny Ayers, Chief, Division of Public Access and Property Services

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission consent to the acquisition of an easement along Walnut Creek in Fairview Township, Erie County, as described in the Commentary.

Action:

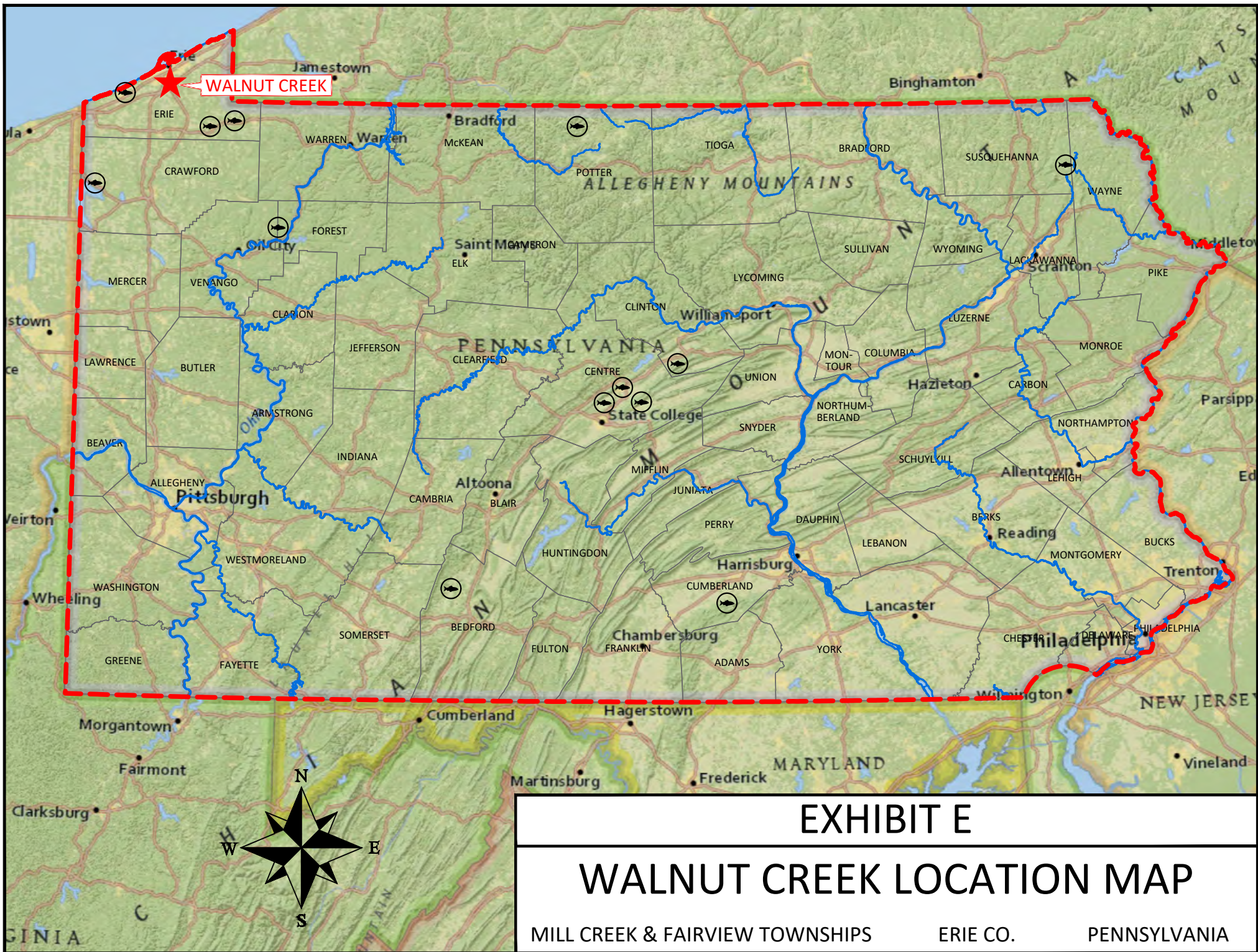




EXHIBIT F

JUDITH M. SCHROECK SITE MAP

FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIP

ERIE COUNTY

PENNSYLVANIA

**EXECUTIVE
PROPERTY SERVICES**

C. Easement Acquisition, Walnut Creek, Millcreek Township, Erie County.

Commentary:

The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) has been offered the opportunity to acquire an easement along Walnut Creek in Millcreek Township (Township), Erie County, as depicted on Exhibit G (Location Map). The Township has offered an approximate 3,600-foot easement along Walnut Creek as depicted on Exhibit H (Map). The easement is for public access and aquatic resource management and includes the stream corridor and extends 35 feet back from the top of the bank. In addition, the Township has agreed to grant the Commission easements for parking and a footpath to provide access to Walnut Creek. The cost of the easement was included in a grant as described below, so no additional funds will be exchanged.

In May 2013, the Township received an Erie Access Improvement Program grant from the Commission in the amount of \$97,000 to assist in the development of public fishing access on the Township's Bridger Park property (Park) located along Walnut Creek in Millcreek Township, Erie County. Per the terms of the grant agreement, the Township made a number of improvements on the property which improved the hydraulic flow of Walnut Creek by modifying and restoring the stream channel, stabilizing the stream banks, installing fish habitat structures and improving public fishing access to the Park. A paved access road, a paved ADA accessible parking area, an ADA accessible fishing pier and an ADA accessible trail from the parking area to the fishing pier were also constructed.

As part of its funding agreement with the Commission, the Township agreed to grant the Commission a fishing access and conservation agreement on the property allowing for public fishing access along Walnut Creek. The project has been completed, and pursuant to the terms of the agreement, the Township will now convey an easement to the Commission.

Briefer:

Penny Ayers, Chief, Division of Public Access and Property Services

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission consent to the acquisition of an easement along Walnut Creek in Millcreek Township, Erie County, as described in the Commentary.

Action:

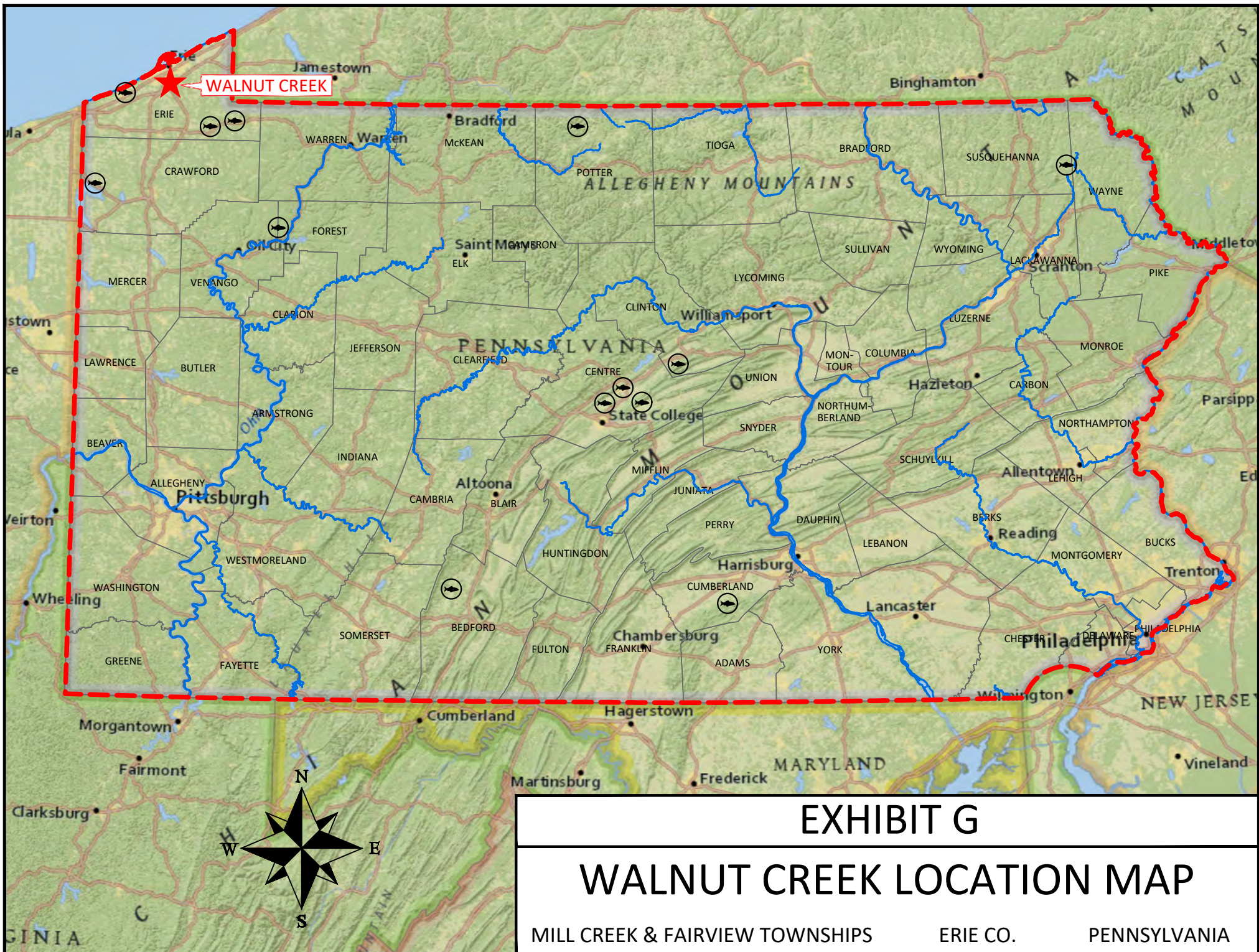


EXHIBIT G

WALNUT CREEK LOCATION MAP

MILL CREEK & FAIRVIEW TOWNSHIPS

ERIE CO.

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Zimmerman Rd.

Millcreek Township
3608 W 26th St.
Erie, PA 16506

Walnut Creek

EXHIBIT H

MILLCREEK TOWNSHIP SITE MAP

MILL CREEK TOWNSHIP

ERIE COUNTY

PENNSYLVANIA

BOATING
FINAL RULEMAKING

A. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 91.2 (Definitions).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 3515 (June 13, 2026) (Exhibit I). The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) received one public comment relating to this proposal. The comment was in support of the proposal. Copies of public comments were provided to the commissioners.

Briefer:

Mark Sweppenhiser, Director, Bureau of Boating

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 91]

General Provisions; Definitions

[56 Pa.B. 3515]

[Saturday, June 13, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 91.2 (relating to definitions). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This rulemaking proposes to define "public property" in § 91.2 to support the implementation of 30 Pa.C.S. Chapter 57 (relating to at-risk, derelict and abandoned boats) (ADV Law).

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

This proposed amendment to § 91.2 is published under 30 Pa.C.S. Chapter 57.

D. *Purpose and Background*

The act of July 7, 2025 (P.L. 96, No. 28) added 30 Pa.C.S. Chapter 57. The term "public property" is used throughout 30 Pa.C.S. Chapter 57 as well as in corresponding regulations in Chapter 93 (relating to boat registration and numbering); however, it is not defined.

E. *Summary of Proposal*

To facilitate implementation of the ADV Law, the commission proposes to amend § 91.2 to define the term "public property" to read as set forth in Annex A.

F. *Paperwork*

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. *Fiscal Impact*

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. *Public Comments*

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-373. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart C. BOATING

CHAPTER 91. GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 91.2. Definitions.

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(c) The term "passenger" means any person on a boat, including persons being towed using any device.

(d) The term "public property" means lands, buildings and spaces owned or controlled by the Commonwealth, State agencies, municipalities, authorities, political subdivisions, public schools and universities.

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BOATING
FINAL RULEMAKING

B. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 93.13 (Issuing Agents).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 3515 (June 13, 2026) (Exhibit J). The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) received one public comment relating to this proposal. The comment was in support of the proposal. Copies of public comments were provided to the commissioners.

Briefer:

Mark Sweppenhiser, Director, Bureau of Boating

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 93]

Boat Registration and Numbering; Issuing Agents

[56 Pa.B. 3515]

[Saturday, June 13, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 93.13 (relating to issuing agents). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment proposes to bring the terms of § 93.13 into alignment with those of § 51.35 (relating to operation of the issuing agency) and provide flexibility for a more efficient onboarding process for temporary boat registration issuing agents.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The proposed amendment to § 93.13 is published under 30 Pa.C.S. § 5304 (relating to issuing agents).

D. *Purpose and Background*

The commission may designate issuing agents for the issuance of temporary boat registrations to the public. Under § 93.13, an applicant interested in becoming an issuing agent for temporary boat registration must submit an application, a one-time fee and a bond in favor of the commission.

Fishing license agents, as authorized by § 51.35, may submit a bond "or other security in a form satisfactory to the Commission," typically a letter of credit from a bank, which may be more efficient and less expensive to secure than a bond. Section 93.13 requires a bond only and does not permit other forms of security. This rulemaking proposes to bring § 93.13 into alignment with § 51.35 and provide flexibility for a more efficient onboarding process for temporary boat registration issuing agents.

E. *Summary of Proposal*

This rulemaking proposes to bring § 93.13 into alignment with § 51.35 and provide flexibility for a more efficient onboarding process for temporary boat registration issuing agents. The

commission proposes that § 93.13 be amended to read as set forth in Annex A.

F. *Paperwork*

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. *Fiscal Impact*

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. *Public Comments*

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

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TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-374. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart C. BOATING

CHAPTER 93. BOAT REGISTRATION AND NUMBERING

Subchapter A. REGISTRATION OF BOATS

§ 93.13. Issuing agents.

(a) *Designation.*

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(2) An applicant seeking to become an issuing agent for temporary boat registrations shall complete and submit to the Commission an application on the form prescribed by the Commission and shall pay a one-time, nonrefundable fee of \$250. Applications shall be accompanied by a bond in favor of the Commission, or other security in a form satisfactory to the Commission, in a minimum amount specified by the Executive Director or a designee.

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FISHERIES
FINAL RULEMAKING

A. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code Chapter 63 (General Fishing Regulations).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 3627 (June 20, 2026) (Exhibit K). The open public comment period for this proposal closes July 20. We will email you a copy of the comments and have them available at the meeting.

Briefer:

Kristopher Kuhn, Director, Bureau of Fisheries

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 63]

General Fishing Regulations; Measuring Fish

[56 Pa.B. 3627]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend Chapter 63 (relating to general fishing regulations) to add § 63.58 (relating to measuring fish). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This rulemaking proposes to provide a standard definition for how fish should be measured in this Commonwealth.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The proposed amendment to Chapter 63 is published under the statutory authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 322, 741, 901 and 2102.

D. *Purpose and Background*

Per Addendum III to Amendment 7 of the Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic striped bass, the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission requires that states define total length for the purposes of measuring Atlantic Striped Bass to determine compliance with size limits associated with both commercial and recreational fisheries. Standardization is needed, as different measurement methods can yield different results, potentially leading to enforcement complications.

The commission advises anglers how to measure fish in the Pennsylvania Fishing Summary book; however, no formal definition is promulgated in 58 Pa. Code (relating to recreation).

E. *Summary of Proposal*

The commission proposes that Chapter 63 be amended to add § 63.58 to provide a definition for the measurement of all fish across this Commonwealth to read as set forth in Annex A.

F. *Paperwork*

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. *Fiscal Impact*

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. *Public Comments*

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-375. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 63. GENERAL FISHING REGULATIONS

(*Editor's Note:* Section 63.58 is proposed to be added and is printed in regular type to enhance readability.)

§ 63.58. Measuring fish.

When measuring fish to determine compliance with established size limits, the total length shall be the greatest straight-line length as measured on a fish while laid flat on its side with its mouth closed from the most forward tip of the jaw or snout to the farthest extent of the tail, with the upper and lower tail lobes compressed or squeezed together.

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FISHERIES
FINAL RULEMAKINGS

B. Amendments to 58 Pa. Code § 61.1 (Commonwealth Inland Waters), § 65.19 (Stocked Trout Waters Open to Year-Round Fishing), § 65.24 (Miscellaneous Special Regulations) and § 65.26 (Extended Trout Season).

Commentary:

Notices of proposed rulemaking were published at 56 Pa.B. 3626, 3628, 3631, and 3636 (June 20, 2026), respectively (Exhibits L, M, N and O). The open public comment period for this proposal closes July 20. We will email you a copy of the comments and have them available at the meeting.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendments as set forth in the notices of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, these amendments will go into effect January 1, 2027.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 61]

Seasons, Sizes and Creel Limits; Commonwealth Inland Waters

[56 Pa.B. 3626]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 61.1 (relating to Commonwealth inland waters). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment would increase the minimum size limit (MSL) for trout to 9 inches.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The provisions of the amendment to § 61.1 are published under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. § 2102 (relating to rules and regulations) and section 506 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 186).

D. *Purpose and Background*

Under § 61.1, the MSL for trout is 7 inches. The MSL for trout was last amended in 1983 as part of the commission's Operation Future when the MSL was increased from 6 inches to the current 7-inch MSL to provide additional protection to wild brook trout populations.

Staff evaluated wild brook trout data collected through electrofishing surveys over the past 10 years and determined an increase in the MSL for trout from 7 inches to 9 inches would provide protection to wild brook trout. Based on this analysis, an increase in the MSL to 9 inches for trout would prohibit harvest of more than 99% of the wild brook trout in this Commonwealth.

Commission staff also evaluated angler opinion data that was collected through the commission's 2023 Pennsylvania Trout Angler Survey (trout survey), and these data suggest most trout anglers support an increase in the MSL for trout. As part of the trout survey, anglers were specifically asked "Would you support or oppose an increase of the minimum to 9 inches to provide protection of wild brook trout?" and 85% of all trout anglers responded that they would support an increase in the MSL to protect wild brook trout. Harvesting trout, regardless of species or origin, was not ranked as one

of the top three reasons trout anglers fish in this Commonwealth. Also, for the vast majority of trout anglers, keeping some of the trout they catch is not important at all.

Given the support from trout anglers in this Commonwealth and the increased protection that will be afforded to wild brook trout, commission staff recommend the MSL for trout be increased to 9 inches. Amending size limits for trout requires minor amendments to various sections referencing trout size limits. As such, commission staff recommend reformatting the size limits in regulations relating to trout size limits for clarification and simplification.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes that § 61.1 be amended to increase the MSL for all species of trout in the inland waters of this Commonwealth and the Youghioghenny Reservoir from 7 inches to 9 inches for the regular and extended seasons.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

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TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-376. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 61. SEASONS, SIZES AND CREEL LIMITS

§ 61.1. Commonwealth inland waters.

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(d) Except as otherwise provided in this subpart, the following seasons, sizes and daily limits apply to inland waters of this Commonwealth and the Youghioghenny Reservoir:

SPECIES	SEASONS	MINIMUM SIZE	DAILY LIMIT
ALL SPECIES OF TROUT AND SALMON (except landlocked Atlantic salmon)	Regular Season: 8 a.m. first Saturday in April to midnight Labor Day	[7] 9 inches	5 (combined species) except areas with special regulations
	Extended Season: Stocked trout waters 12:01 a.m. day after Labor Day to midnight the third Monday in February of the following year.	[7] 9 inches	3 (combined species), except Class A wild trout streams, where the daily limit is 0, and areas with special regulations (see Chapter 65 (relating to special fishing regulations))
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PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 65]

Special Fishing Regulations; Stocked Trout Waters Open to Year-Round Fishing

[56 Pa.B. 3628]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 65.19 (relating to stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment would increase the minimum size limit (MSL) for trout to 9 inches.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The provisions of the amendment to § 65.19 are issued under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. § 2102 (relating to rules and regulations).

D. *Purpose and Background*

Under § 65.19, the MSL for trout is 7 inches. The MSL for trout was last amended in 1983 as part of the commission's Operation Future when the MSL was increased from 6 inches to the current 7-inch MSL to provide additional protection to wild brook trout populations.

Commission staff evaluated wild brook trout data collected through electrofishing surveys over the past 10 years and determined an increase in the MSL for trout from 7 inches to 9 inches would provide protection to wild brook trout. Based on this analysis, an increase in the MSL to 9 inches for trout would prohibit harvest of more than 99% of the wild brook trout in this Commonwealth.

Commission staff also evaluated angler opinion data that was collected through the commission's 2023 Pennsylvania Trout Angler Survey (trout survey), and these data suggest most trout anglers support an increase in the MSL for trout. As part of the trout survey, anglers were specifically asked "Would you support or oppose an increase of the minimum to 9 inches to provide protection of wild brook trout?" and 85% of all trout anglers responded that they would support an increase in the MSL to protect wild brook trout. Harvesting trout, regardless of species or origin, was not ranked as one

of the top three reasons trout anglers fish in this Commonwealth. Also, for the vast majority of trout anglers, keeping some of the trout they catch is not important at all.

Given the support from trout anglers in this Commonwealth and the increased protection that will be afforded to wild brook trout, commission staff recommend the MSL for trout be increased to 9 inches. Amending size limits for trout requires minor amendments to various sections referencing trout size limits. As such, commission staff recommend reformatting the size limits in regulations relating to trout size limits for clarification and simplification.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes that § 65.19 be amended to increase the MSL for all species of trout in stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing from 7 inches to 9 inches for the regular and extended seasons.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

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TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-377. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 65. SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS

§ 65.19. Stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing.

* * * * *

(b) It is unlawful to fish in waters designated as stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing except in compliance with the following seasons and size and creel limits. It is not a violation of this section if a trout is immediately returned unharmed to the waters from which it is taken.

SPECIES	SEASONS	MINIMUM SIZE	DAILY LIMIT
ALL SPECIES OF TROUT AND SALMON (except landlocked Atlantic salmon)	Regular Season: 8 a.m. of the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight Labor Day	[7] 9 inches	5 (combined species)
	Extended Season: 12:01 a.m. day after Labor Day to midnight the third Monday in February of the following year	[7] 9 inches	3 (combined species)
	12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February to 8 a.m. the opening day of the regular season for trout	NO HARVEST—Catch and immediate release only	

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EXHIBIT N

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 65]

Special Fishing Regulations; Miscellaneous Special Regulations

[56 Pa.B. 3631]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 65.24 (relating to miscellaneous special regulations). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment would increase the minimum size limit (MSL) for trout to 9 inches.

A. Effective Date

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

B. Contact Person

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. Statutory Authority

The provisions of the amendment to § 65.24 are published under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 322, 2102 and 2307 (relating to rules and regulations; and waters limited to specific purposes) and amended under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. § 2307(a), 65 Pa.C.S. § 710 (relating to rules and regulations for conduct of meetings) and section 506 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 186).

D. Purpose and Background

Under § 65.24, the MSL for trout is 7 inches. The MSL for trout was last amended in 1983 as part of the commission's Operation Future when the MSL was increased from 6 inches to the current 7-inch MSL to provide additional protection to wild brook trout populations.

Commission staff evaluated wild brook trout data collected through electrofishing surveys over the past 10 years and determined an increase in the MSL for trout from 7 inches to 9 inches would provide protection to wild brook trout. Based on this analysis, an increase in the MSL to 9 inches for trout would prohibit harvest of more than 99% of the wild brook trout in this Commonwealth.

Commission staff also evaluated angler opinion data that was collected through the commission's 2023 Pennsylvania Trout Angler Survey (trout survey), and these data suggest most trout anglers support an increase in the MSL for trout. As part of the trout survey, anglers were specifically asked "Would you support or oppose an increase of the minimum to 9 inches to provide protection of wild

brook trout?" and 85% of all trout anglers responded that they would support an increase in the MSL to protect wild brook trout. Harvesting trout, regardless of species or origin, was not ranked as one of the top three reasons trout anglers fish in this Commonwealth. Also, for the vast majority of trout anglers, keeping some of the trout they catch is not important at all.

Given the support from trout anglers in this Commonwealth and the increased protection that will be afforded to wild brook trout, commission staff recommend the MSL for trout be increased to 9 inches. Amending size limits for trout requires minor amendments to various sections referencing trout size limits. As such, commission staff recommend reformatting the size limits in regulations relating to trout size limits for clarification and simplification.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes that § 65.24 be amended to increase the MSL for all species of trout, other than brown trout, in waters that are subject to miscellaneous special regulations from 7 inches to 9 inches for the regular and extended seasons.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

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TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-378. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 65. SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS

§ 65.24. Miscellaneous special regulations.

The following waters are subject to the following miscellaneous special regulations:

County	Name of Water	Special Regulations
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Bedford	Yellow Creek, Section 04, from the confluence with Beaver Creek downstream to Red Bank Hill	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1 (relating to Commonwealth inland waters))</u> , from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout— <u>Commonwealth inland waters</u> regulations apply. See § 61.1 [(relating to Commonwealth inland waters)].
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Carbon	Pohopoco Creek, Section 04, from the outlet of Beltzville Lake downstream to Hideaway Hunting and Fishing Club cable across creek	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)</u> from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout— <u>Commonwealth inland waters</u> regulations apply. See § 61.1.
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Centre	Bald Eagle Creek, Section 06, from the confluence with Spring Creek downstream to the inlet of Sayers Lake near Boggs/Howard Township line	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)</u> from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular

season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth inland waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

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Centre	Penns Creek, Section 02, from the State Road 45 bridge in Spring Mills downstream to the confluence with Elk Creek	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)</u> from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout— <u>Commonwealth inland waters</u> regulations apply. See § 61.1.
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Clinton	Fishing Creek, Sections 13 and 14, from the confluence with Cedar Run downstream to Country Club Road bridge in Mill Hall	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)</u> from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout— <u>Commonwealth inland waters</u> regulations apply. See § 61.1.
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Lehigh	Little Lehigh Creek, Section 04, from the confluence with Spring Creek downstream to Wild Cherry Lane bridge	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)</u> from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout— <u>Commonwealth inland waters</u> regulations apply. See § 61.1.
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Lehigh	Little Lehigh Creek, Section 07, from 0.25 mile upstream of Country Club Road	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species— [7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined
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bridge downstream to Fish Hatchery Road bridge

species)] **Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)** from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth inland waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

Lehigh and Northampton Monocacy Creek, Section 09, from Schoenersville Road bridge downstream to the confluence with Lehigh River

All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species—**[7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)** from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth inland waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

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Mifflin Kishacoquillas Creek, Section 05, from 1.5 miles upstream of the confluence with Tea Creek downstream to the Penn Central Railroad bridge

All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species—**[7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)** from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth inland waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

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Northampton Martins Creek, Section 01, from the confluence of the East and West Branch of Martins Creek downstream to the outflow of the Bangor sewage treatment plant near unnamed tributary

All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species—**[7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species)] Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see § 61.1)** from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular

season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth**
inland **waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

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Northampton Monocacy Creek, All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and
Section 08, from Illicks release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess
Mill Dam downstream brown trout at any time. All other trout species—**[7 inches**
to Schoenersville Road **minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined**
bridge **species)] Commonwealth inland waters regulations**
apply (see § 61.1) from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the
regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch
and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess
any trout from 12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to
midnight the third Sunday in February the following year.
Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in
February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular
season for trout. All species except trout—**Commonwealth**
inland **waters** regulations apply. See § 61.1.

Potter Freeman Run, Section All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout and brook trout
04, from the —catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or
confluence with West possess brown trout or brook trout at any time. Rainbow
Branch Freeman Run trout—**[7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit]**
downstream to the **Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply (see §**
mouth **61.1)** from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season
for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no
harvest—it is unlawful
to take, kill[,] or possess any trout from
12:01 a.m. the day after Labor Day to
midnight the third Sunday in February the following year.
Closed to all fishing from
12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the
opening day of the regular season for trout. All species
except trout—
Commonwealth inland **waters** regulations apply. See §
61.1.

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EXHIBIT O

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 65]

Special Fishing Regulations; Extended Trout Season

[56 Pa.B. 3636]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 65.26 (relating to extended trout season). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This rulemaking proposes to increase the minimum size limit (MSL) for trout to 9 inches.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The provisions of the amendment to § 65.26 are published under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 322, 2102 and 2307 (relating to rules and regulations; and waters limited to specific purposes) and amended under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 2102 and 2307(a).

D. *Purpose and Background*

Under § 65.26, the MSL for trout is 7 inches. The MSL for trout was last amended in 1983 as part of the commission's Operation Future when the MSL was increased from 6 inches to the current 7-inch MSL to provide additional protection to wild brook trout populations.

Commission staff evaluated wild brook trout data collected through electrofishing surveys over the past 10 years and determined an increase in the MSL for trout from 7 inches to 9 inches would provide protection to wild brook trout. Based on this analysis, an increase in the MSL to 9 inches for trout would prohibit harvest of more than 99% of the wild brook trout in this Commonwealth.

Commission staff also evaluated angler opinion data that was collected through the commission's 2023 Pennsylvania Trout Angler Survey (trout survey), and these data suggest most trout anglers support an increase in the MSL for trout. As part of the trout survey, anglers were specifically asked "Would you support or oppose an increase of the minimum to 9 inches to provide protection of wild brook trout?" and 85% of all trout anglers responded that they would support an increase in the MSL to protect wild brook trout. Harvesting trout, regardless of species or origin, was not ranked as one

of the top three reasons trout anglers fish in this Commonwealth. Also, for the vast majority of trout anglers, keeping some of the trout they catch is not important at all.

Given the support from trout anglers in this Commonwealth and the increased protection that will be afforded to wild brook trout, commission staff recommend the MSL for trout be increased to 9 inches. Amending size limits for trout requires minor amendments to various sections referencing trout size limits. As such, commission staff recommend reformatting the size limits in regulations relating to trout size limits for clarification and simplification.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes that § 65.26 be amended to increase the MSL for trout in stocked trout waters from 7 inches to 9 inches, except in Class A wild trout streams where the creel limit is 0 and in areas with special regulations, during the extended trout season.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-379. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 65. SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS

§ 65.26. Extended trout season.

(a) *General rule.* The extended trout season is in effect from the day after Labor Day until the third Monday in February of the following year on stocked trout waters. A creel limit of three trout

per day and a minimum size limit of [7] 2 inches apply during this season, except Class A wild trout streams where the creel limit is 0 and areas with special regulations.

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FISHERIES
FINAL RULEMAKING

C. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 65.24 (Miscellaneous Special Regulations): Add Ohio River Basin.

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 3629 (June 20, 2026) (Exhibit P). The open public comment period for this proposal closes July 20. We will email you a copy of the comments and have them available at the meeting.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect January 1, 2027.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 65]

General Fishing Regulations; Miscellaneous Special Regulations

[56 Pa.B. 3629]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 65.24 (relating to miscellaneous special regulations). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment would add the Ohio River Basin to its list of waters subject to special regulations.

A. Effective Date

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect on January 1, 2027.

B. Contact Person

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. Statutory Authority

The provisions of the amendment to § 65.24 are published under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 322, 2102 and 2307 (relating to rules and regulations; and waters limited to specific purposes) and amended under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. § 2307(a), 65 Pa.C.S. § 710 (relating to rules and regulations for conduct of meetings) and section 506 of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 186).

D. Purpose and Background

The Three Rivers (Ohio, Allegheny and Monongahela) system in western Pennsylvania supports diverse fishing opportunities for a variety of species in and around the metropolitan area of Pittsburgh. Once severely polluted, the Three Rivers now boast excellent populations of walleye, sauger, smallmouth bass, muskellunge, flathead catfish and channel catfish that provide countless hours of recreational fishing.

In 2022, the commission initiated a blue catfish reintroduction program in the Three Rivers. Blue catfish, which are native to the Three Rivers but did not return following their extirpation in the early 1900s, are currently being stocked in the Ohio River, with plans to expand the program to the Allegheny River and Monongahela River in 2027. The goal of the reintroduction is to establish a self-sustaining, naturally reproducing population of blue catfish in the Three Rivers.

Recent assessments of the flathead catfish populations in the Three Rivers conducted to estimate abundance, age and growth rates, and mortality characterize the populations as low to moderate density that exhibit extreme longevity. Flathead catfish in the Three Rivers system are the oldest ever recorded, with individuals over 30 years of age relatively common. In addition to their longevity, flathead catfish growth in the Three Rivers is extremely slow. On average, it takes a flathead catfish 15 years to reach 24 inches in length, and over 30 years to reach 35 inches, which is considered a trophy fish desired by anglers.

Current regulations in the Three Rivers system for blue catfish and flathead catfish, among other species of catfish, include them as panfish, with a 50 fish per day limit and no minimum size limit. As the goal of blue catfish reintroduction is to establish a naturally reproducing population, maximizing survival of blue catfish stocked in the Three Rivers is paramount, and commission staff recommend implementing catch-and-release regulations on blue catfish in all flowing waters in the Ohio River Basin. Also, to prevent potential exploitation of flathead catfish and conserve trophy-sized fish, commission staff recommend a four-fish daily creel limit for flathead catfish, with only one fish being greater than or equal to 35 inches in length for all flowing waters in the Ohio River Basin.

E. Summary of Proposal

The commission proposes to amend § 65.24 (relating to miscellaneous special regulations) to add the Ohio River Basin to its list of waters subject to special regulations, to read as set forth in Annex A.

F. Paperwork

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. Fiscal Impact

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. Public Comments

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-380. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 65. SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS

§ 65.24. Miscellaneous special regulations.

The following waters are subject to the following miscellaneous special regulations:

<i>County</i>	<i>Name of Water</i>	<i>Special Regulations</i>
	* * *	* *
Monroe and Pike	Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area	The use of eel chutes, eelpots and fyke nets is prohibited. The taking of the following fishbait is prohibited: crayfish or crabs, mussels, clams and the nymphs, larva and pupae of all insects spending any part of their life cycle in the water. The taking, catching, killing and possession of any species of amphibians or reptiles within the boundaries of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is prohibited.
<u>Multiple Counties</u>	<u>Ohio River Basin, including the following major waters, all tributaries to those waters and all tributaries to those tributaries, named and unnamed: Ohio River, Beaver River, Shenango River, Mahoning River, Connoquenessing Creek, Slippery Rock Creek, Monongahela River, Youghiogheny River, Tenmile Creek, Dunkard Creek, Cheat River, Allegheny River, Kiskiminetas River, Conemaugh River, Crooked Creek, Mahoning Creek, Redbank Creek, Clarion River, French Creek, Cussewago Creek, Oil Creek, Tionesta Creek, Brokenstraw Creek and Conewango Creek.</u> <u>This regulation does not apply to lakes within the Ohio River Basin.</u>	<u>Blue catfish: All tackle types are permitted. Catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess blue catfish at any time.</u> <u>Flathead catfish: All tackle types are permitted. The daily limit and possession limit is 4 flathead catfish. Only 1 of the 4 flathead catfish may be greater than or equal to 35 inches in length. All other species—</u> <u>Commonwealth inland waters regulations apply. See § 61.1.</u>
Northampton	Martins Creek, Section 01, from the confluence of the East and West Branch of Martins Creek downstream to the outflow of the Bangor sewage treatment plant near unnamed tributary	All tackle types are permitted. Brown trout—catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess brown trout at any time. All other trout species—7 inches minimum size limit—5 trout daily limit (combined species) from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout to midnight on Labor Day. Catch and release/no harvest—it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any trout from 12:01 a.m.

the day after Labor Day to midnight the third Sunday in February the following year. Closed to all fishing from 12:01 a.m. the third Monday in February until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular season for trout. All species except trout—inland regulations apply. See § 61.1.

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FISHERIES
FINAL RULEMAKING

D. Amendment to 58 Pa. Code § 69.24 (Limitations on Gear).

Commentary:

A notice of proposed rulemaking was published at 56 Pa.B. 3637 (June 20, 2026) (Exhibit Q). The open public comment period for this proposal closes July 20. We will email you a copy of the comments and have them available at the meeting.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission adopt the amendment as set forth in the notice of proposed rulemaking. If adopted, this amendment will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

PROPOSED RULEMAKING

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

[58 PA. CODE CH. 69]

Fishing in Lake Erie and Boundary Lakes; Limitations on Gear

[56 Pa.B. 3637]

[Saturday, June 20, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (commission) proposes to amend § 69.24 (relating to limitations on gear). The commission is publishing this proposed rulemaking under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. (relating to Fish and Boat Code). This amendment would allow three fishing license holders to operate from the same boat while fishing in Lake Erie.

A. *Effective Date*

This proposed rulemaking, if approved on final-form rulemaking, will go into effect upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

B. *Contact Person*

For further information on this proposed rulemaking, contact Robert J. Schefter, Esq., P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, (717) 705-7810. This proposed rulemaking is available on the commission's website at pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat.

C. *Statutory Authority*

The provisions of the amendment to § 69.24 are issued under the authority of 30 Pa.C.S. §§ 2102 and 2903 (relating to rules and regulations; and boat and net licenses for boundary lakes).

D. *Purpose and Background*

The portion of Lake Erie located in this Commonwealth supports a thriving yellow perch commercial fishery, and there are three commercial trap net licenses issued by the commission. The commercial fishery is regulated by the commission in Subchapter C and Subchapter D (relating to commercial fishing licenses; and commercial fishing, seasons and nets).

In 2024, the commission amended Chapter 69 (relating to fishing in Lake Erie and boundary lakes) following a systemic review by commission staff which identified amendments that streamlined regulatory compliance while continuing to provide resource protection to the Lake Erie fishery. However, in 2025, commission staff consulted the three licensed commercial fishers and determined an additional amendment is warranted that would allow three license holders to operate from the same boat.

E. *Summary of Proposal*

The commission proposes that § 69.24 be amended to increase the amount of commercial licensed trap netters who may fish from the same boat at any one time from two to three, in the

portion of Lake Erie located in this Commonwealth.

F. *Paperwork*

This proposed rulemaking will not increase paperwork and will not create new paperwork requirements.

G. *Fiscal Impact*

This proposed rulemaking will have no adverse fiscal impact on the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions.

H. *Public Comments*

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments, objections or suggestions about this proposed rulemaking 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments also may be submitted electronically to ra-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

Fiscal Note: 48A-381. No fiscal impact; recommends adoption.

Annex A

TITLE 58. RECREATION

PART II. FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Subpart B. FISHING

CHAPTER 69. FISHING IN LAKE ERIE AND BOUNDARY LAKES

Subchapter C. COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSES

§ 69.24. Limitations on gear.

(a) A licensed trap netter may not use or fish more than six trap nets, singularly or in a series or tandem set, at any one time.

(b) No more than **[two] three** licensed trap netters may fish from the same boat at any one time. If two **or more** licensed trap netters fish from the same boat at the same time, the trap netters shall clearly and distinctly separate their catch into containers or boxes marked with their respective license numbers.

FISHERIES
DESIGNATIONS

A. Removal of Yellow Breeches Creek, Section 03, Cumberland County, from the Catch and Release Artificial Lures Only Program (58 Pa. Code § 65.5).

Commentary:

Yellow Breeches Creek, a 57-mile-long stream originating in the Michaux State Forest near the Borough of Shippensburg, flows northeast through Cumberland County to its confluence with the Susquehanna River near the Borough of New Cumberland. The stream is currently managed as four sections for fisheries management purposes. Sections 02-04, totaling 44.7 miles in length, are included in the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission's (Commission) Stocked Trout Waters (STW) Program. Sections 02 and 04 are managed under Commonwealth Inland Waters (58 Pa. Code § 61.1) regulations, while Section 03 is managed under Catch and Release Artificial Lures Only (CR-ALO) (58 Pa. Code § 65.5) regulations.

Section 03 extends 1.0 miles downstream from the mouth of Boiling Springs Run and was stocked historically by the Commission during the preseason and in-season stocking periods. In 2026, Section 03 was stocked during the preseason; however, the in-season stocking was cancelled following consultation with the landowner. This section previously provided unrestricted angler access; however, the landowner now requires anglers to obtain a permit to fish which can be limited and restricted to certain periods of the day. In addition to requiring a permit, the landowner has also imposed its own fishing regulations (i.e., barbless flies only) on the section.

Waters included in the Commission's STW Program must be open and accessible to free public angling. Given the current angler access issues and landowner self-regulation, Section 03 was removed from the STW Program in April 2026. Since the section was removed from the STW Program, it must also be removed from the CR-ALO Program since this regulation is only applied to Class A wild trout streams or sections included in the STW Program. Sections 02 and 04, which total 43.7 miles in length, will continue to be included in the STW Program and managed under Commonwealth Inland Waters regulations.

A notice of proposed designation was published at 56 Pa.B. 3586 (June 13, 2026) (Exhibit R). The Commission received three public comments relating to this proposal: one in support and two oppose.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission remove Yellow Breeches Creek, Section 03, Cumberland County, from the Catch and Release Artificial Lures Only Program (58 Pa. Code § 65.5) as described in the Commentary. If approved, this designation will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

NOTICES

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Proposed Special Regulation Designation

[56 Pa.B. 3586]

[Saturday, June 13, 2026]

The Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) has approved guidelines with regard to encouraging public participation on possible changes to the designation of streams, stream sections or lakes for special regulation programs. Under 58 Pa. Code Chapter 65 (relating to special fishing regulations), the Commission designates or redesignates certain streams, stream sections and lakes as being subject to special fishing regulations. These designations and redesignations are effective after Commission approval when they are posted at the site and a notice is published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Under the Commission's guidelines, a notice concerning the proposed designation of a stream, stream section or lake under special regulations ordinarily will be published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* before the matter is reviewed by the Board of Commissioners.

At the next Commission meeting on July 27, 2026, the Commission will consider taking the following action with respect to waters subject to special fishing regulations under 58 Pa. Code Chapter 65, effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

58 Pa. Code § 65.5. Catch and release artificial lures only

The Commission will consider removing the following water from its list of catch and release artificial lures only waters regulated and managed under 58 Pa. Code § 65.5 (relating to catch and release artificial lures only):

County	Water	Section
Cumberland	Yellow Breeches Creek	03

Persons with comments, objections or suggestions concerning the designation are invited to submit comments 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 submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

Comments may also be submitted electronically to RA-pfbcregulations@pa.gov. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

TIMOTHY D. SCHAEFFER,
Executive Director

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B. Proposed changes to the List of Class A Wild Trout Streams (58 Pa. Code § 57.8a).

Commentary:

During recent surveys, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) staff documented 12 additional stream sections to have Class A wild trout populations. Exhibit S provides information on the locations and a data summary for each of these waters.

A notice of proposed changes was published at 56 Pa.B. 2940 (May 16, 2026) (Exhibit T). The Commission received four public comments regarding this proposal: all support the proposal. Copies of public comments were provided to the commissioners.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

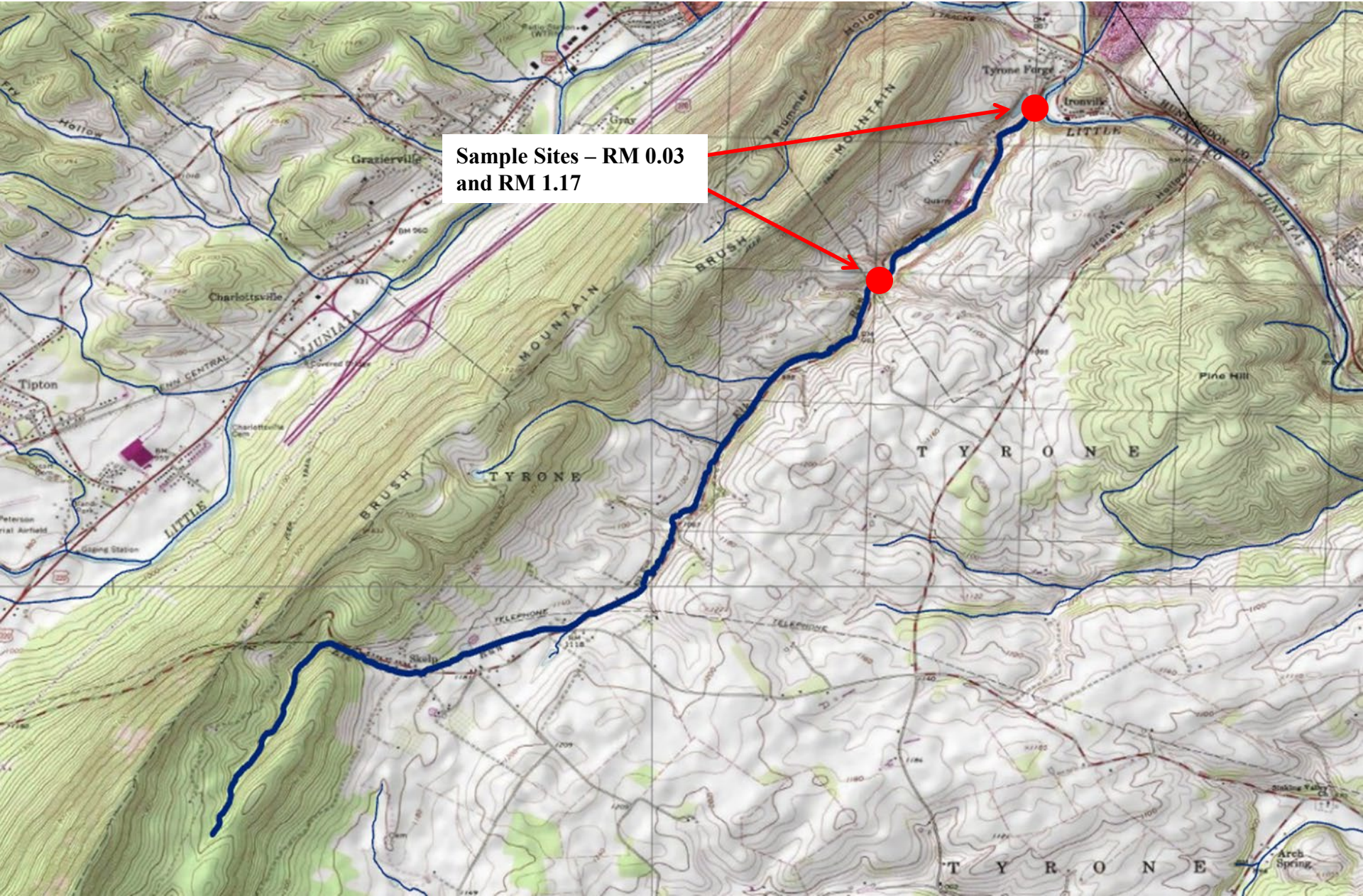
Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission add 12 stream sections to its Class A wild trout streams list as described in the Commentary. If approved, these additions will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Action:

Class A Additions

Elk Run, Blair County



Elk Run, Blair County

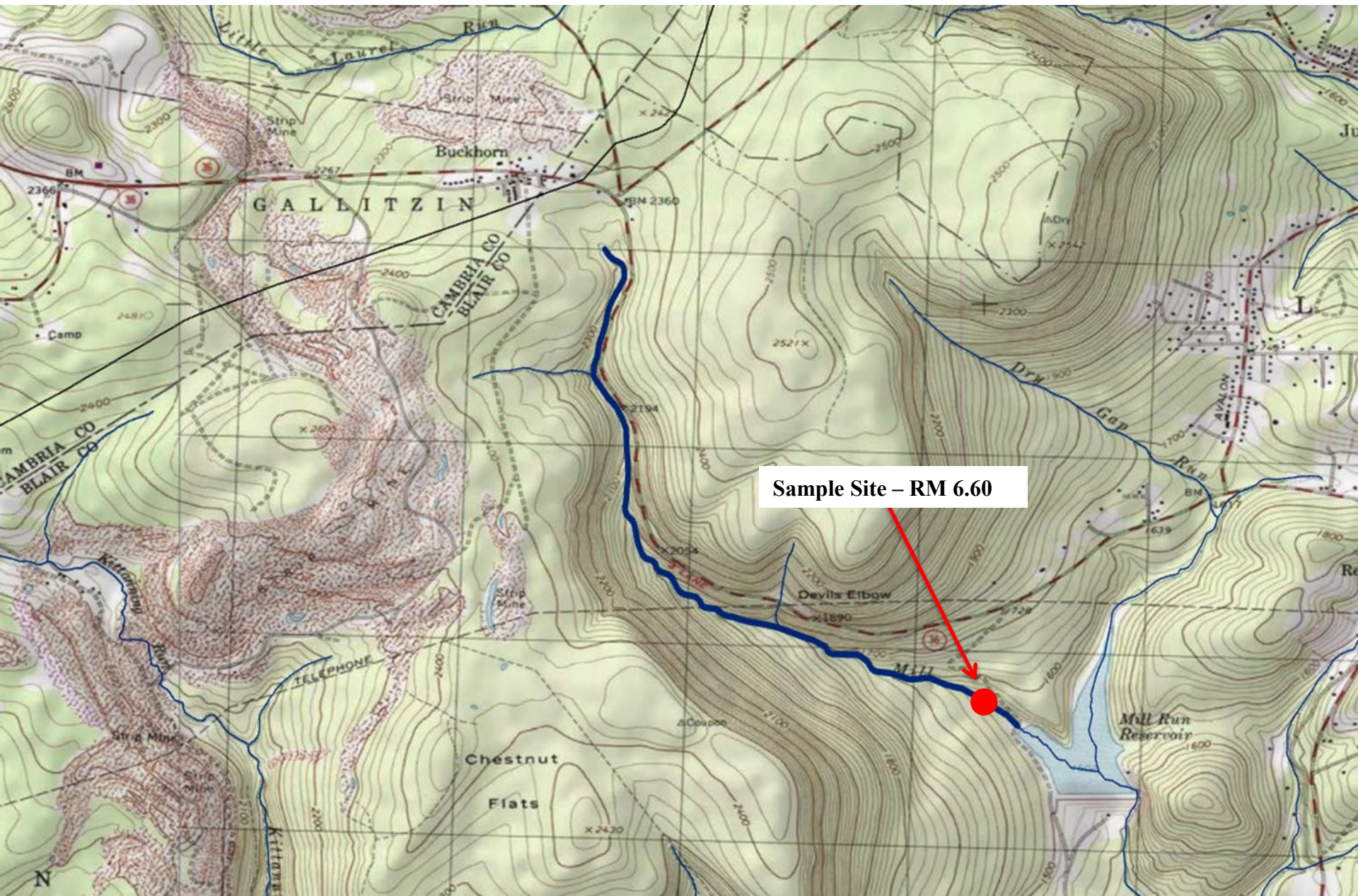
Brown Trout RM – 0.03
Site Length – 450 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	70	0.44	156
2	136	2.07	302
4	1	0.09	2
5	1	0.16	2
6	29	10.50	89
7	26	11.66	64
8	12	8.14	31
9	7	6.47	18
10	6	6.55	13
11	3	4.26	7
Total	291	50.34	684

Brown Trout RM – 1.17
Site Length – 450 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	3	0.02	7
2	24	0.35	53
5	1	0.15	2
6	18	6.06	53
7	13	5.41	31
8	4	2.24	9
9	2	1.56	4
10	8	9.44	20
11	3	5.46	9
13	2	4.40	4
14	1	2.72	2
Total	79	37.81	194

Mill Run, Blair County

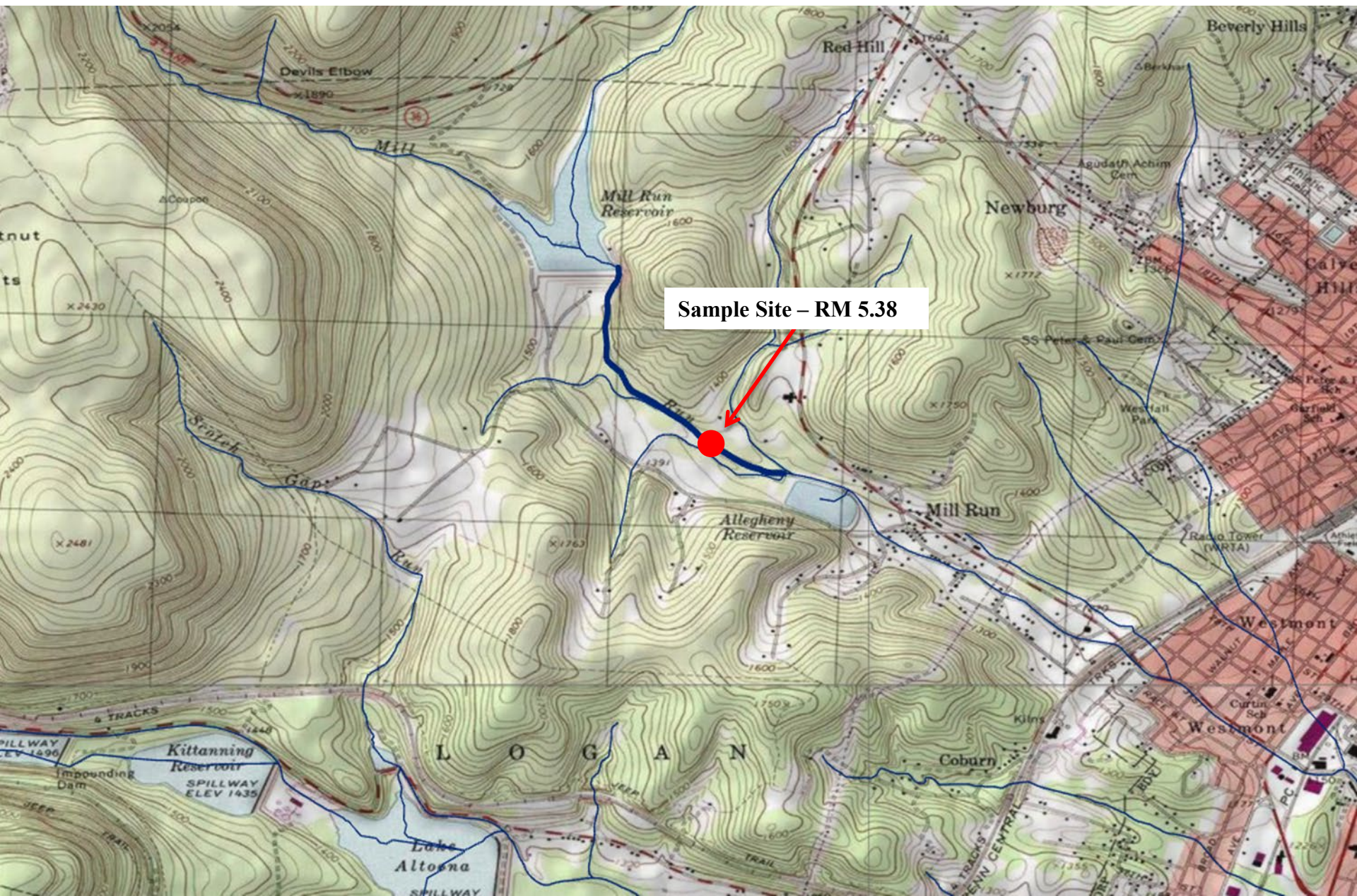


Mill Run, Blair County

Brook Trout RM – 6.60
Site Length – 400 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	63	0.53	158
2	247	4.80	618
3	52	2.41	130
4	21	2.25	53
5	90	17.27	225
6	26	8.39	65
7	11	5.52	28
Total	510	41.17	1277

Mill Run, Blair County

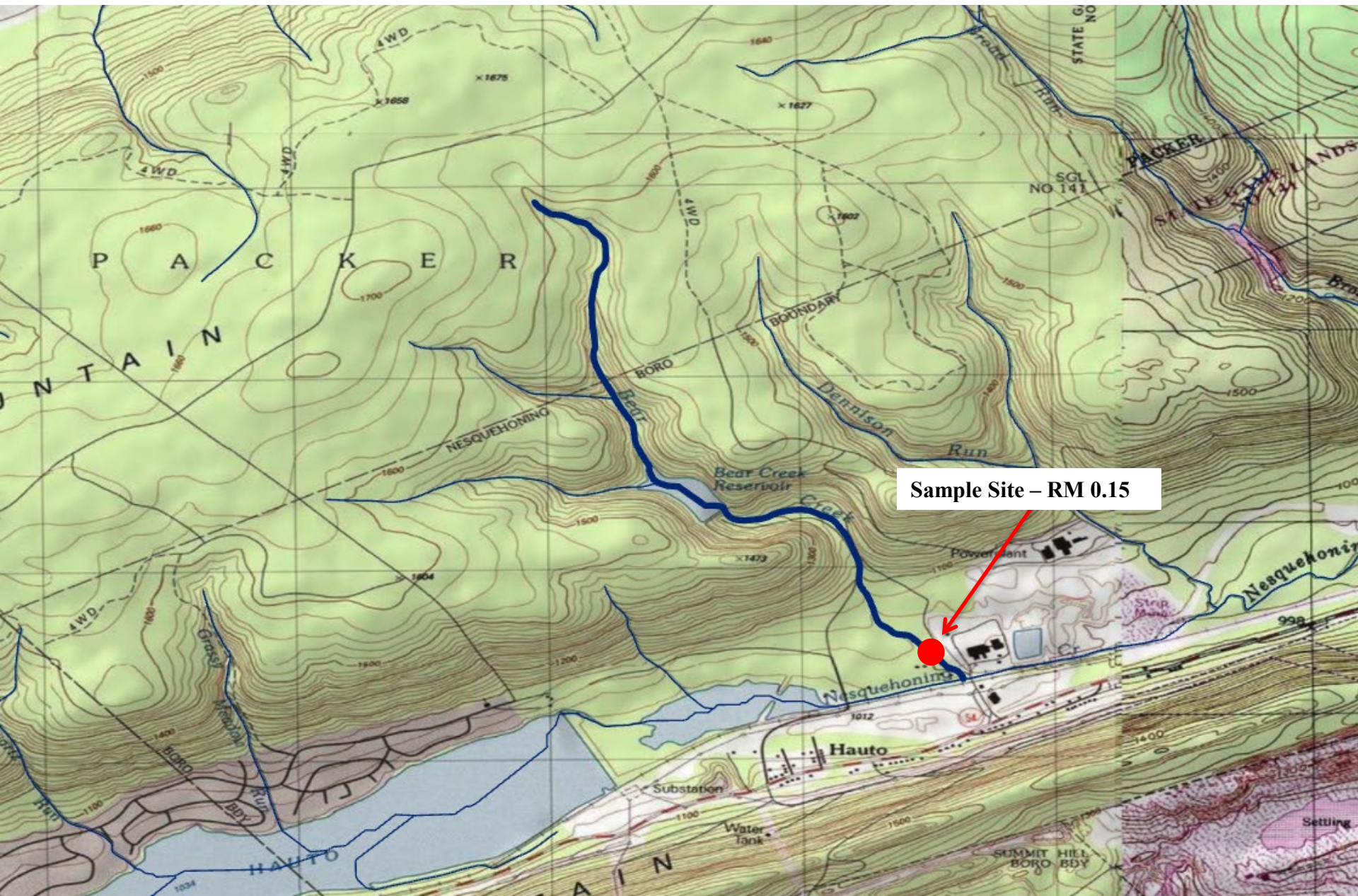


Mill Run, Blair County

Brook Trout RM – 5.38
Site Length – 200 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	16	0.62	80
3	23	2.13	115
5	1	0.38	5
6	3	1.94	15
7	13	13.10	65
8	11	16.06	55
9	6	12.46	30
11	1	3.81	5
Total	74	50.50	370

Bear Creek, Carbon County

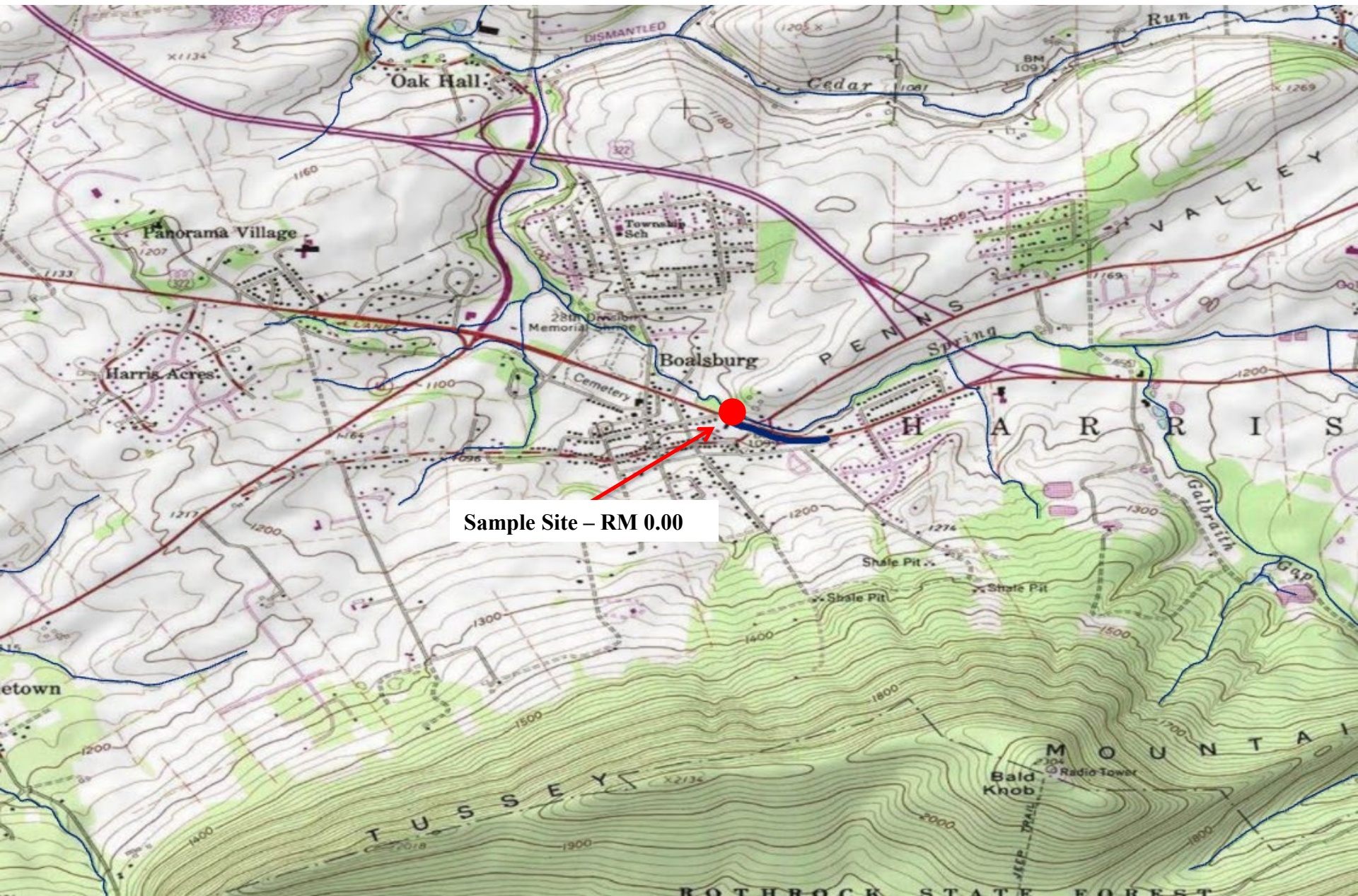


Bear Creek, Carbon County

Brook Trout RM – 0.15
Site Length – 350 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	4	0.04	11
2	93	2.25	266
3	12	0.69	34
4	56	7.48	160
5	50	11.94	143
6	9	3.62	26
7	8	5.00	23
8	1	0.91	3
9	1	1.29	3
Total	234	33.22	669

UNT to Spring Creek (RM 20.32), Centre County

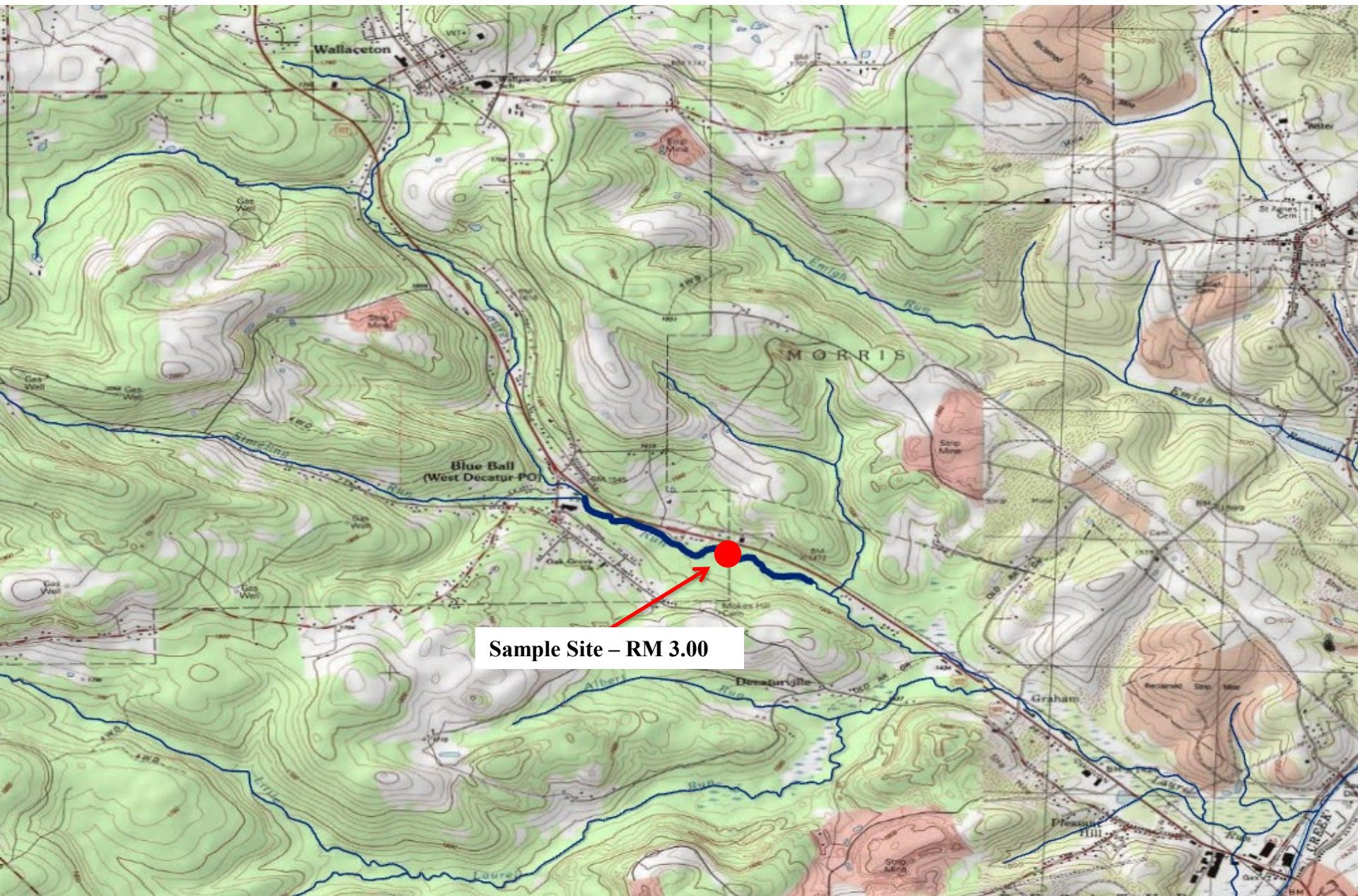


UNT to Spring Creek (RM 20.32), Centre County

Brown Trout RM – 0.00
Site Length – 100 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	6	0.77	60
3	1	0.32	10
4	1	0.72	10
5	2	2.65	20
6	3	6.64	30
7	2	6.78	20
8	4	19.61	40
9	6	40.94	60
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11	7	83.77	70
12	3	45.99	30
Total	37	226.60	370

Laurel Run, Clearfield County

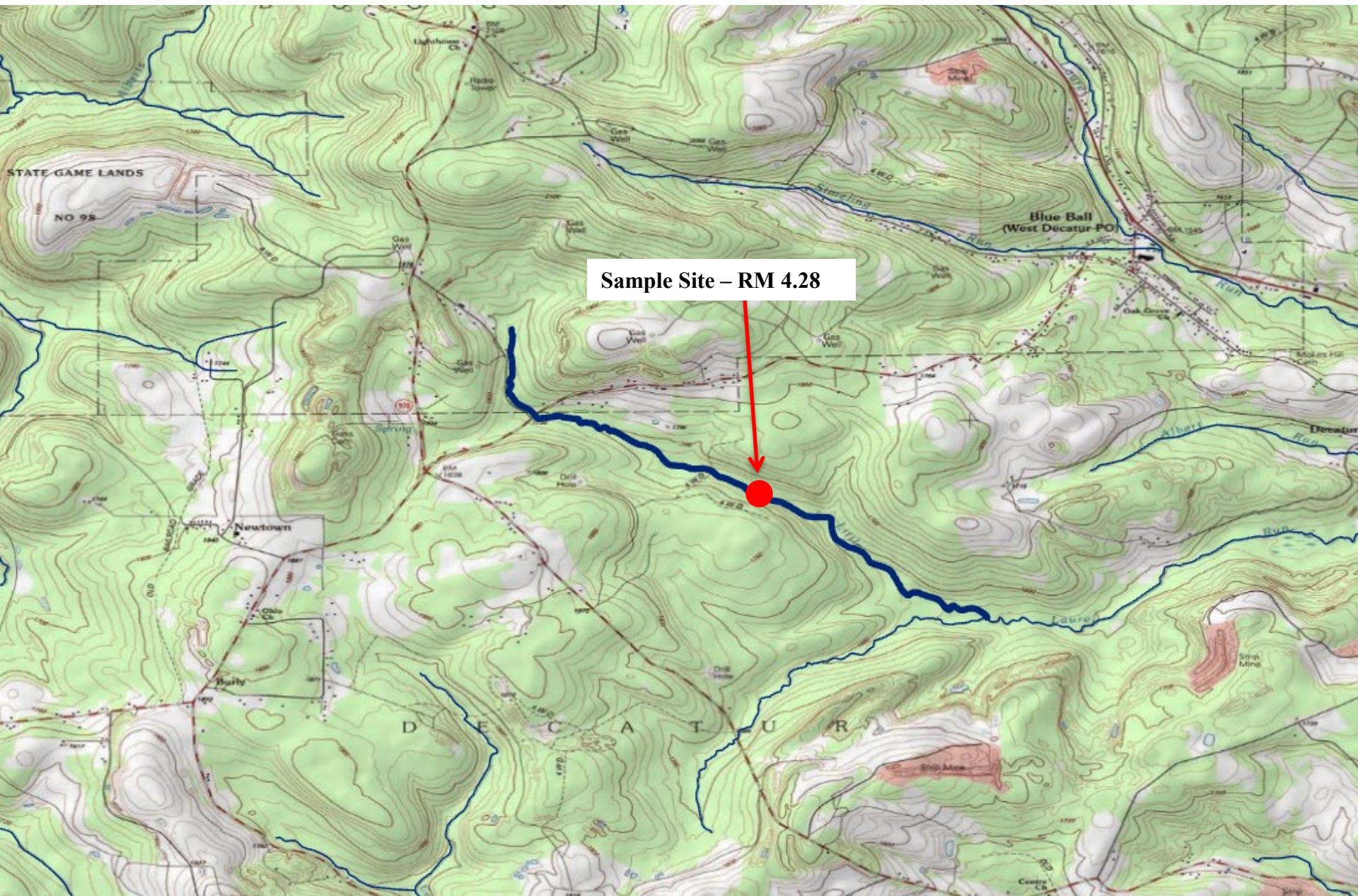


Laurel Run, Clearfield County

Brook Trout RM – 3.00
Site Length – 220 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	36	2.09	164
3	10	1.38	45
6	1	0.97	5
7	6	9.02	27
8	4	8.71	18
9	4	12.39	18
10	10	4.26	5
12	1	7.91	5
Total	63	46.73	287

Little Laurel Run, Clearfield County

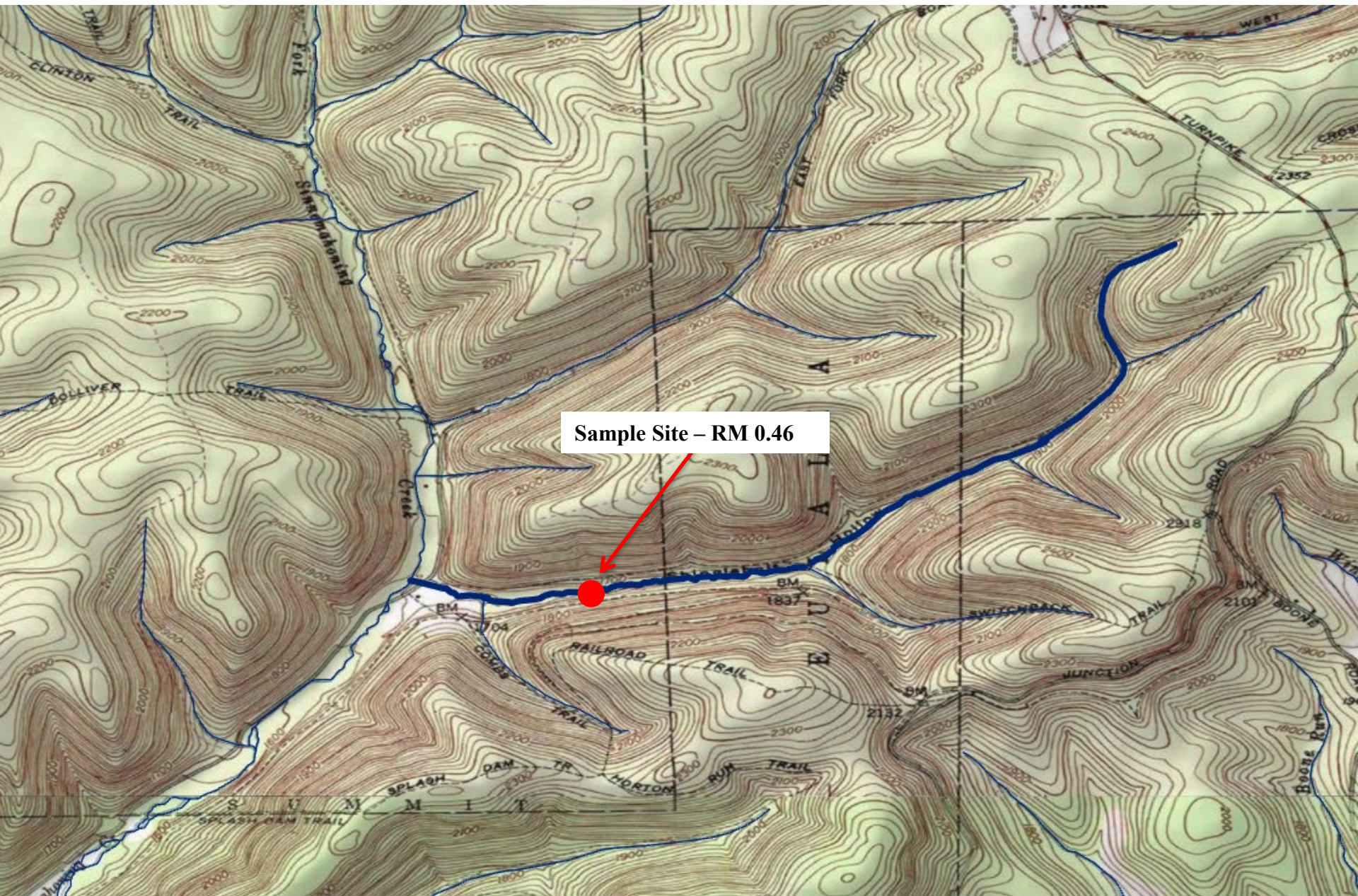


Little Laurel Run, Clearfield County

Brook Trout RM – 4.28
Site Length – 390 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	6	0.08	15
2	160	5.00	410
3	19	1.41	49
4	20	3.45	51
5	33	10.17	85
6	23	11.92	59
7	9	7.26	23
8	1	1.17	3
9	1	1.66	3
10	1	2.29	3
Total	273	44.41	701

Shinglebolt Hollow Run, Potter County



Shinglebolt Hollow Run, Potter County

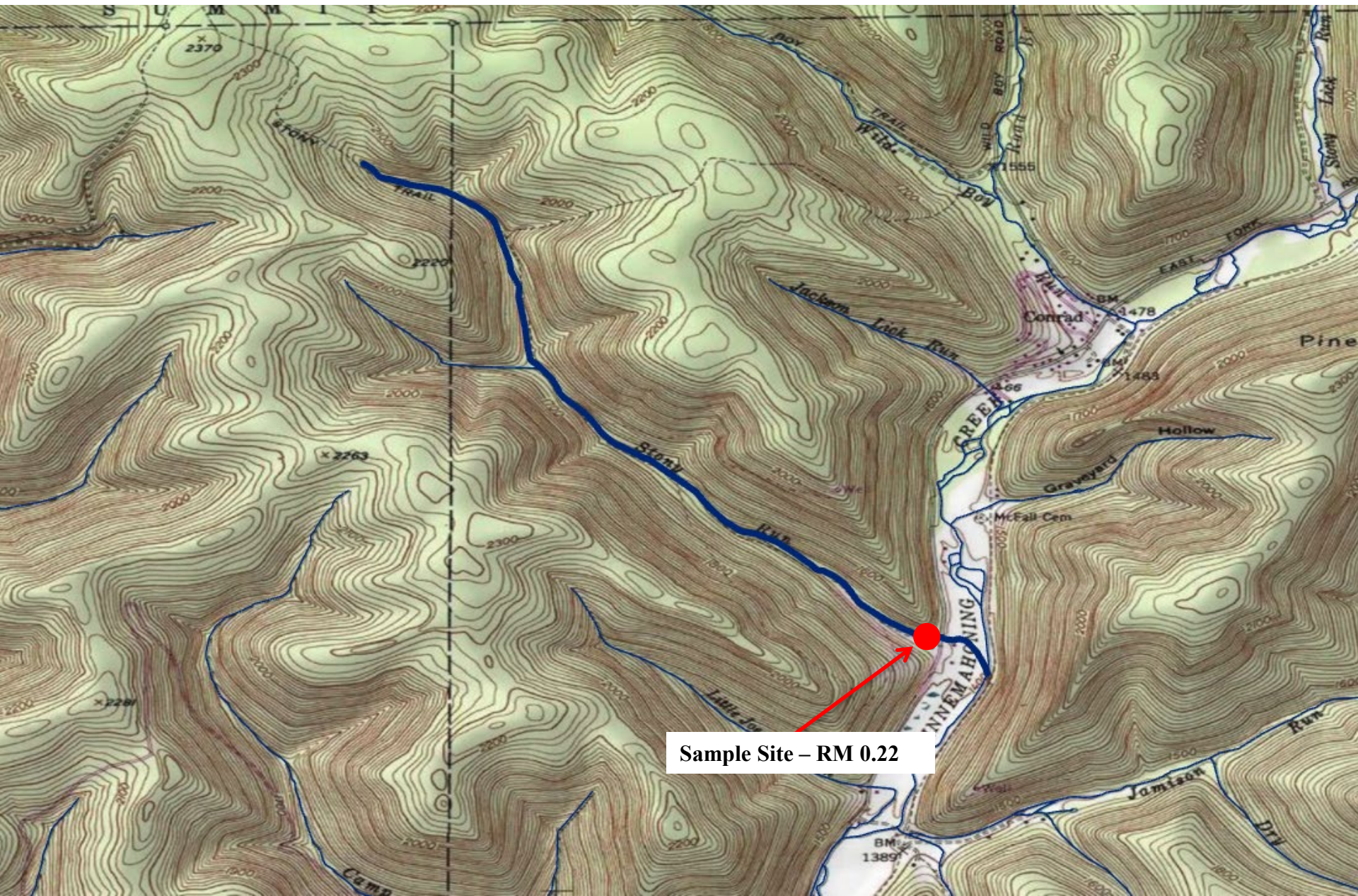
Brook Trout RM – 0.46
Site Length – 420 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	162	5.48	386
3	27	2.17	64
4	36	6.72	86
5	14	4.67	33
6	7	3.93	17
7	4	3.50	10
8	3	3.80	7
Total	253	30.27	603

Brown Trout RM – 0.46
Site Length – 420 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
4	1	0.20	2
Total	1	0.20	2

Stony Run, Potter County



Sample Site – RM 0.22

Stony Run, Potter County

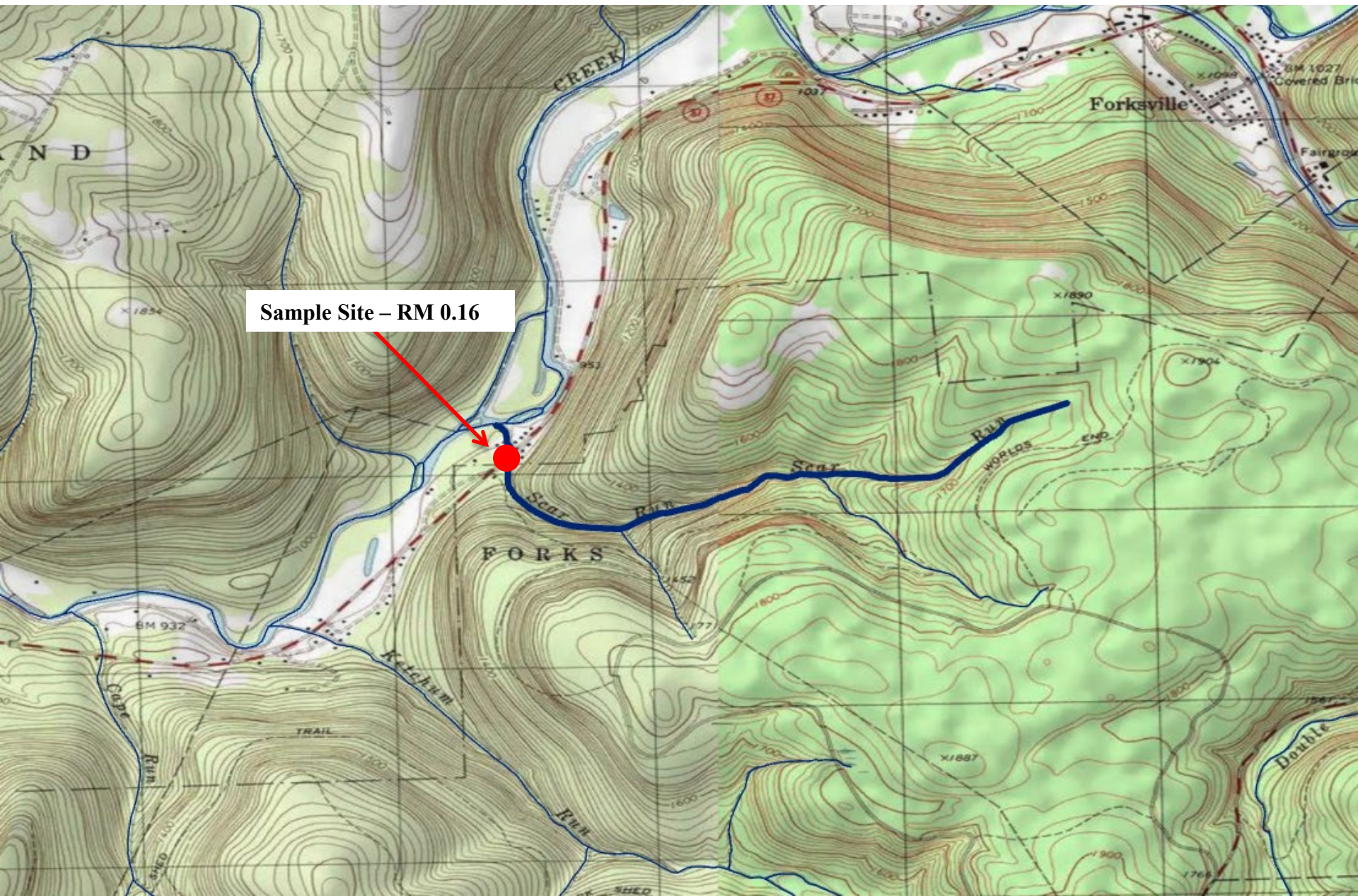
Brook Trout RM – 0.22
Site Length – 400 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	2	0.04	5
2	163	7.81	408
3	55	6.27	138
4	20	5.29	50
5	21	9.93	53
6	10	7.96	25
7	6	7.43	15
8	9	16.14	23
9	5	12.75	13
10	1	3.51	3
11	1	4.69	3
Total	293	81.82	736

Brown Trout RM – 0.22
Site Length – 400 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	1	0.05	3
3	2	0.25	5
7	2	2.60	5
8	1	1.88	3
10	1	3.53	3
14	1	9.17	3
Total	8	17.48	22

Scar Run, Sullivan County



Scar Run, Sullivan County

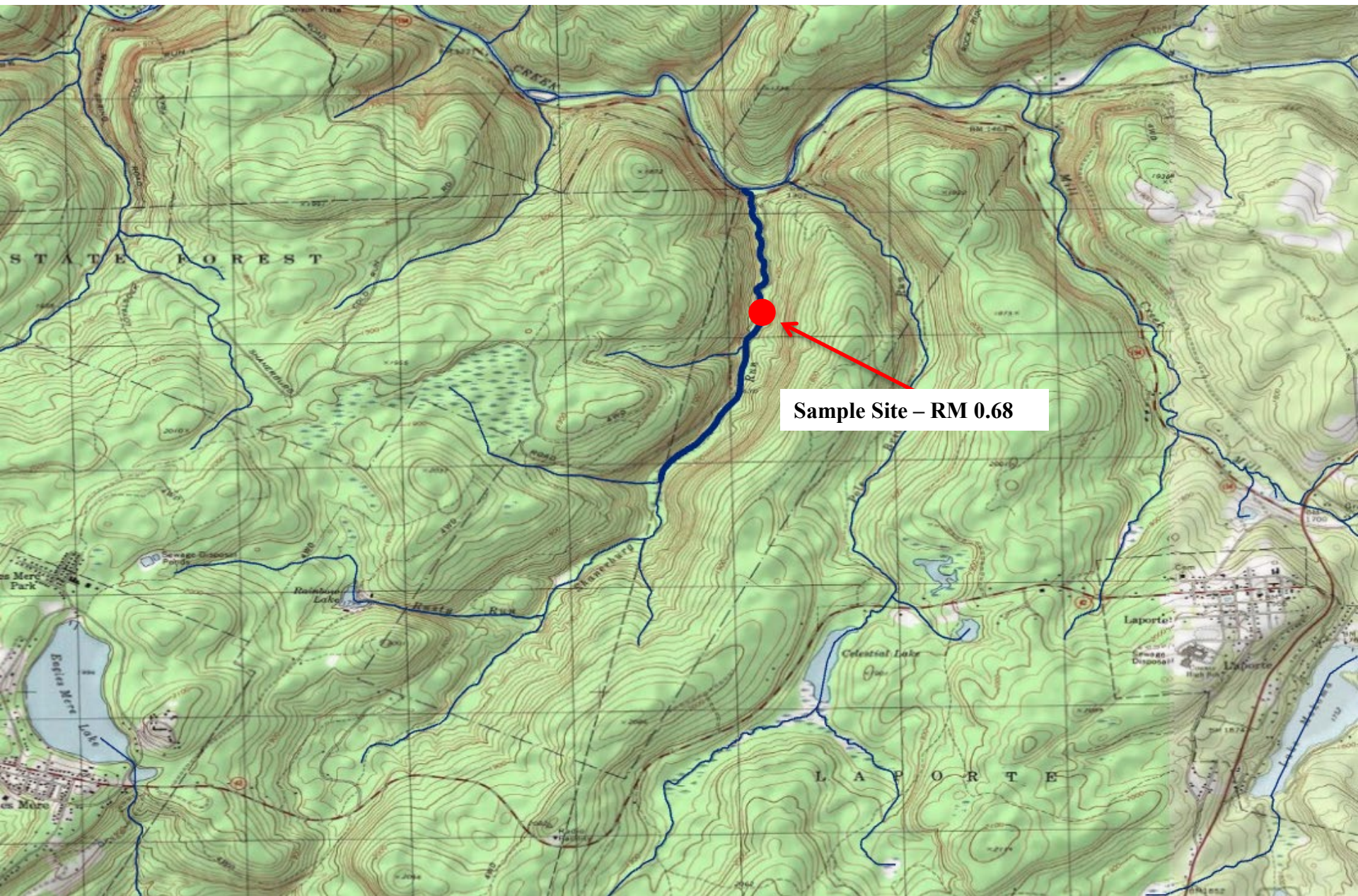
Brook Trout RM – 0.16
Site Length – 300 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	68	4.56	227
3	8	1.28	27
4	3	1.11	10
5	8	5.29	27
6	12	13.35	40
7	11	19.04	37
8	1	2.51	3
9	1	3.57	3
Total	112	50.71	374

Brown Trout RM – 0.16
Site Length – 300 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
5	1	0.71	3
6	2	2.38	7
9	1	3.66	3
Total	4	6.75	13

Shanerburg Run, Sullivan County



Shanerburg Run, Sullivan County

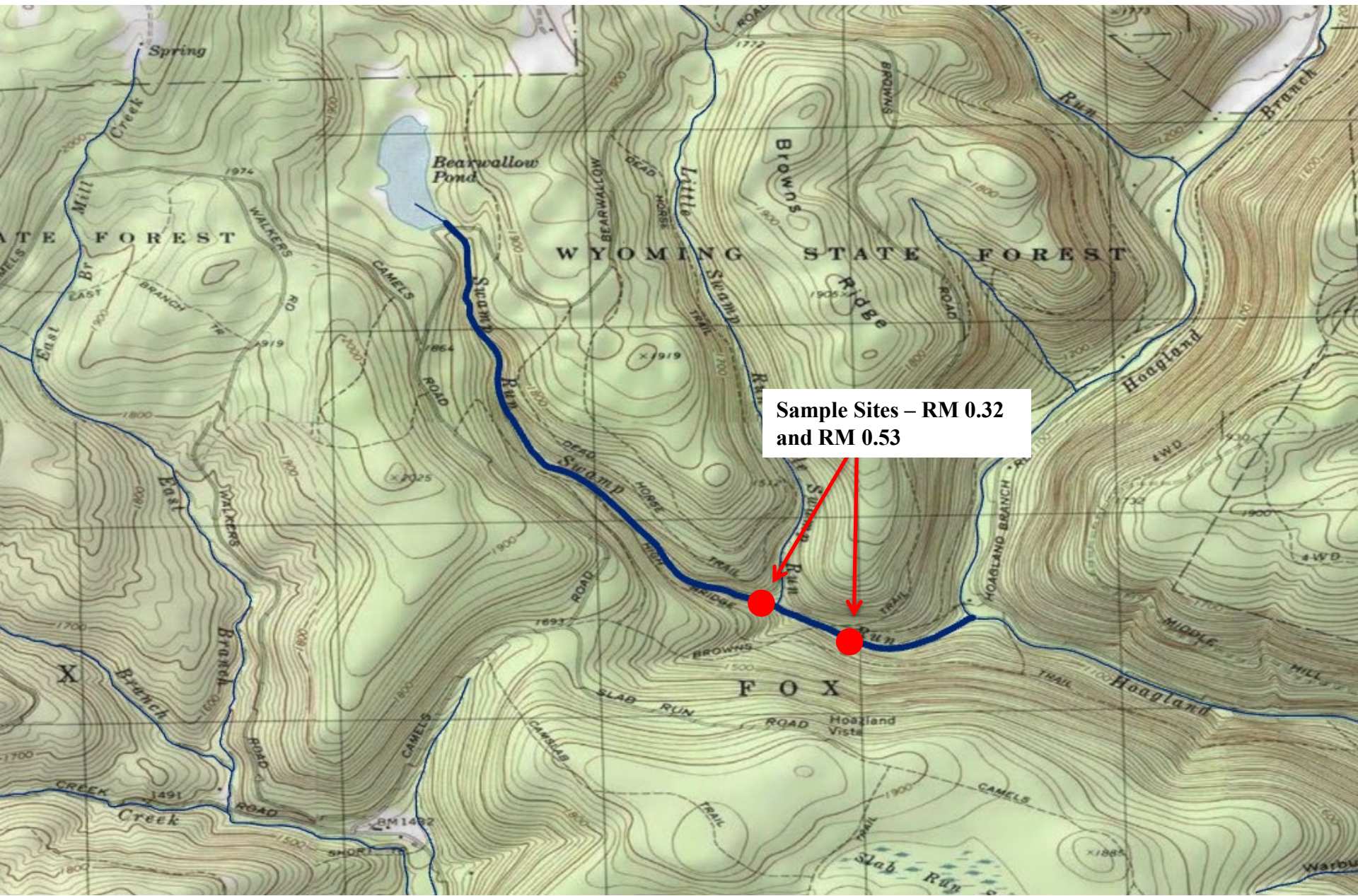
Brook Trout RM – 0.68
Site Length – 335 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	78	3.38	510
3	52	4.65	296
4	23	3.16	87
5	24	5.65	87
6	11	4.26	39
7	12	8.16	48
8	12	13.29	54
9	3	3.15	9
10	5	7.23	15
Total	220	52.93	1145

Brown Trout RM – 0.68
Site Length – 335 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	15	0.43	63
3	3	0.15	9
4	2	0.23	6
5	10	2.30	33
6	4	1.75	15
7	8	4.29	24
8	4	3.10	12
9	3	3.23	9
10	1	1.45	3
11	1	1.89	3
14	1	3.78	3
15	1	4.61	3
16	1	5.55	3
Total	54	32.76	186

Swamp Run, Sullivan County



Swamp Run, Sullivan County

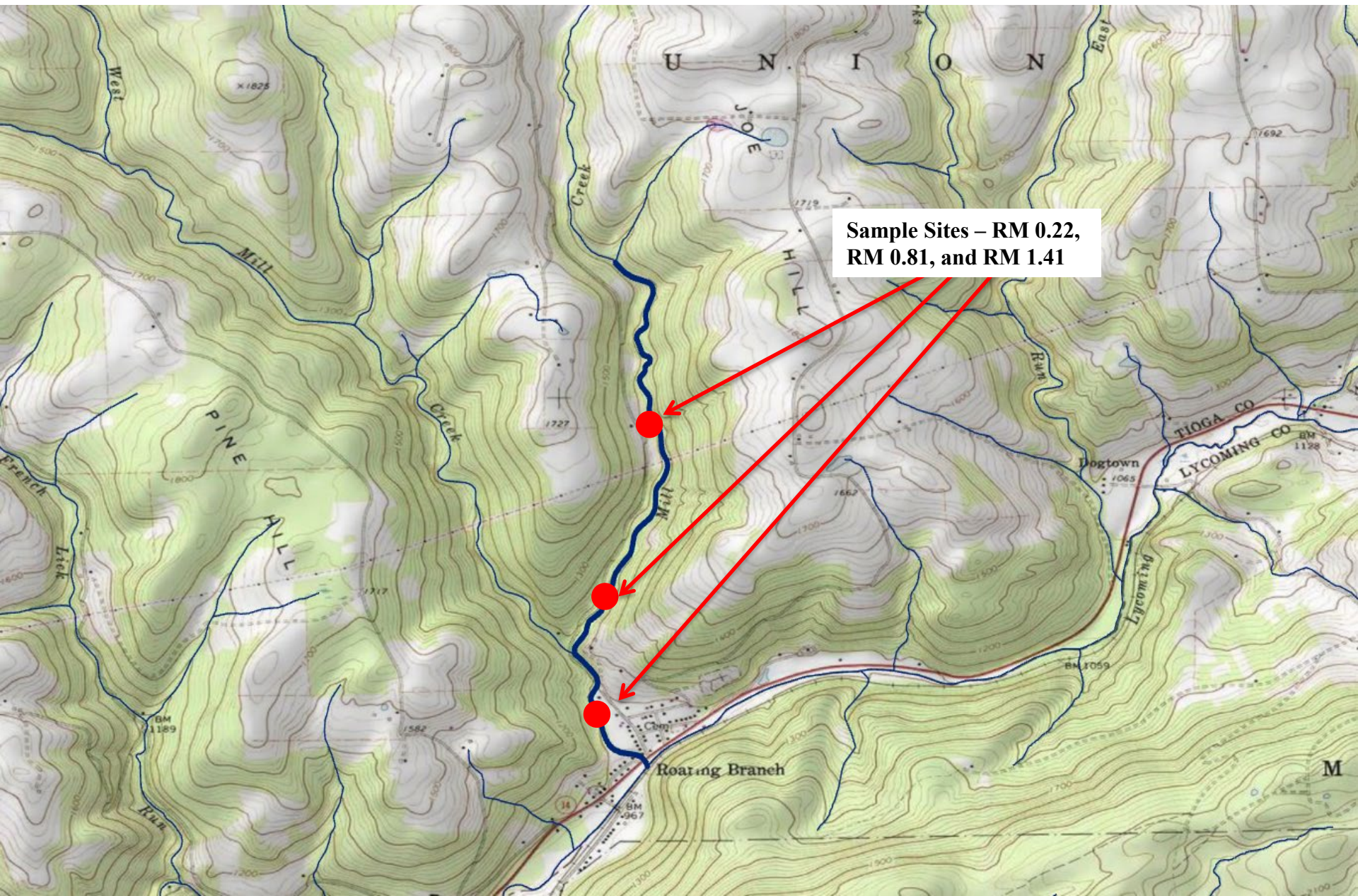
Brook Trout RM – 0.32
Site Length – 330 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
1	1	0.02	3
2	92	12.81	870
3	13	1.38	39
5	3	1.32	9
6	15	13.34	55
7	6	9.22	24
8	1	1.67	3
9	2	4.75	6
11	1	4.36	3
Total	134	48.87	1012

Brook Trout RM – 0.53
Site Length – 200 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	47	4.31	235
3	4	0.87	20
4	1	0.51	5
5	7	6.33	35
6	2	3.04	10
7	7	16.56	35
8	1	3.43	5
9	1	4.87	5
Total	70	39.92	350

Mill Creek (Roaring Branch), Tioga County



Mill Creek (Roaring Branch), Tioga County

Brook Trout RM – 0.22
Site Length – 450 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	4	0.06	9
3	17	1.13	67
5	3	0.47	7
6	3	0.79	7
9	1	0.84	2
Total	28	3.29	92

Brown Trout RM – 0.22
Site Length – 450 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	6	0.10	13
4	4	0.37	9
5	8	1.51	20
6	7	2.24	18
7	3	1.29	7
8	5	3.72	13
9	7	6.90	18
10	9	12.80	24
11	2	3.03	4
12	3	7.75	9
13	2	4.88	4
14	1	3.02	2
16	2	8.89	4
Total	59	56.50	145

Mill Creek (Roaring Branch), Tioga County

Brook Trout RM – 0.81
Site Length – 220 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
2	3	0.14	14
3	5	0.57	23
5	14	6.61	64
6	10	7.94	45
7	10	12.36	45
8	1	1.79	5
9	1	2.55	5
Total	44	31.96	201

Brown Trout RM – 0.81
Site Length – 220 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
4	1	0.28	5
7	1	1.30	5
Total	2	1.58	10

Mill Creek (Roaring Branch), Tioga County

Brook Trout RM – 1.41
Site Length – 470 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
5	1	0.23	2
6	1	0.39	2
7	2	1.22	4
8	5	4.42	11
9	1	1.26	2
Total	10	7.52	21

Brown Trout RM – 1.41
Site Length – 470 meters

Length Group (inches)	Catch	Estimated Kg/Ha	Estimated Number/Km
5	3	0.75	6
6	2	0.84	4
7	1	0.64	2
8	1	0.93	2
9	1	1.29	2
10	2	3.48	4
11	1	2.26	2
12	1	2.90	2
13	2	7.29	4
Total	14	20.38	28

NOTICES

FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

Proposed Changes to List of Class A Wild Trout Streams; July 2026

[56 Pa.B. 2940]
[Saturday, May 16, 2026]

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 July 27, 2026.

County	Stream	Section	Limits	Tributary to	Brook Brown Rainbow			Length (miles)	Survey year
					Mouth Lat/Lon	Trout (kg/ha)	Trout (kg/ha)		
Blair	Elk Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Little Juniata River	40.657829 78.219475	—	44.07	5.57	2025
Blair	Mill Run	1	Headwaters to Mill Run Reservoir	Beaverdam Branch	40.463333 78.423058	41.17	—	2.28	2025
Blair	Mill Run	2	Mill Run Reservoir to Allegheny Reservoir	Beaverdam Branch	40.463333 78.423058	50.50	—	0.93	2025
Carbon	Bear Creek	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Nesquehoning Creek	40.849382 75.882148	33.22	—	2.19	2025
Centre	Unnamed tributary (UNT) to Spring Creek (River Mile (RM) 20.32)	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Spring Creek	40.777044 77.789114	—	226.60	0.39	2025
Clearfield	Laurel Run	2	Simeling Run to	Moshannon Creek	40.906667 78.226667	46.73	—	0.86	2025

			AMD Seep at RM 2.62								
Clearfield	Little Laurel Run	1	Headwaters to UNT to Little Laurel Run (RM 3.11)	Laurel Run	41.915516 78.248825	44.41	—	—	2.67	2025	
Potter	Shinglebolt Hollow Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	East Fork Sinnemahoning Creek	41.635181 77.852798	30.27	0.20	—	2.58	2025	
Potter	Stony Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	East Fork Sinnemahoning Creek	41.593334 77.896385	81.82	17.48	—	2.37	2025	
Sullivan	Scar Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Loyalsock Creek	41.471943 76.635002	50.71	6.75	—	1.76	2025	
Sullivan	Shanerburg Run	2	2.40 km Upstream of Mouth to Mouth	Loyalsock Creek	41.453333 76.531111	52.93	32.76	—	1.50	2025	
Sullivan	Swamp Run	1	Headwaters to Mouth	Hoagland Branch	41.490833 76.719722	44.39	—	—	2.05	2025	

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*. To submit a comment electronically, visit <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat/about-us/meetings/regulatory-changes> and click on the notice of proposed Class A designations for § 57.8a (relating to Class A wild trout streams).

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C. Proposed Changes to the List of Wild Trout Streams (58 Pa. Code § 57.11).

Commentary:

During recent surveys, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) staff documented wild trout populations in 56 new waters and in four waters that are currently listed, qualifying them for listing or limit revision as wild trout streams under 58 Pa. Code § 57.11. Additionally, staff identified an amendment to the name of one water that is currently listed. Exhibit U provides information on the locations and a data summary for each of these waters.

A notice of proposed changes was published at 56 Pa.B. 2942 (May 16, 2026) (Exhibit V). The Commission received four public comments regarding this proposal: all support the proposal. Copies of public comments were provided to the commissioners.

Briefer:

David Nihart, Chief, Division of Fisheries Management

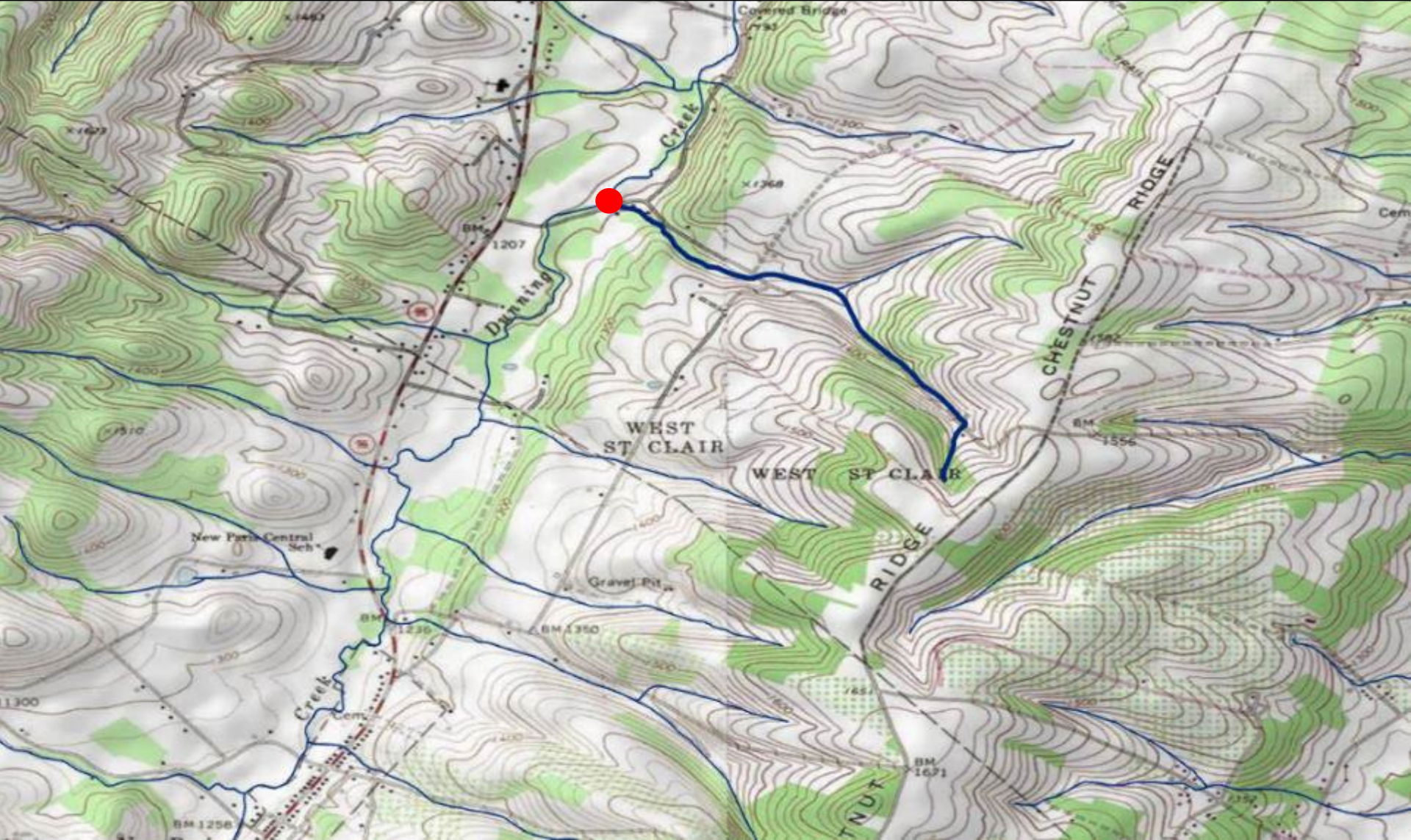
Recommendation:

Staff recommend that the Commission add 56 streams or portions of streams to its list of wild trout streams, revise the section limits of four waters that are currently listed and amend the name of one water currently listed as described in the Commentary. If approved, these changes will go into effect upon publication of a second notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

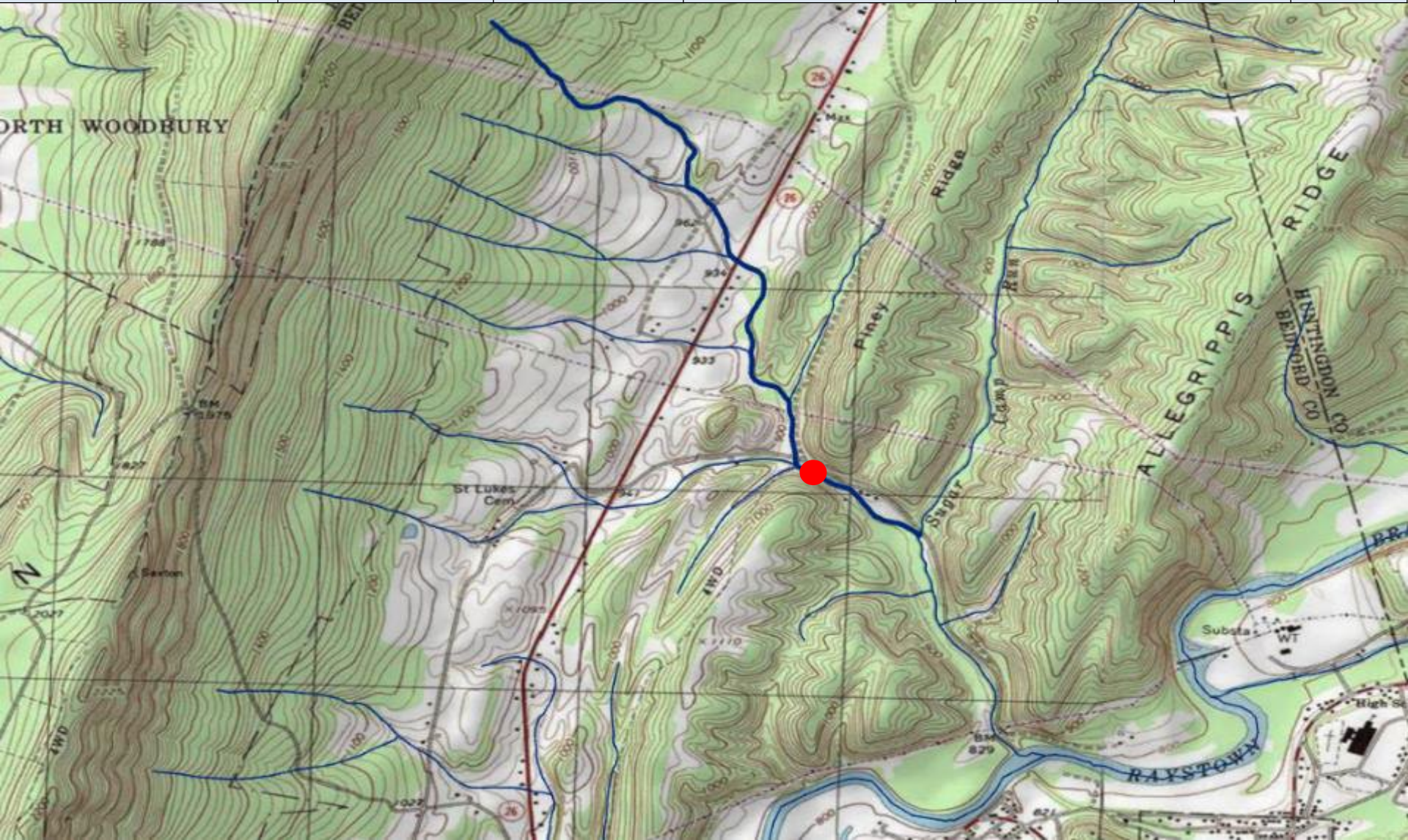
Action:

Wild Trout Additions

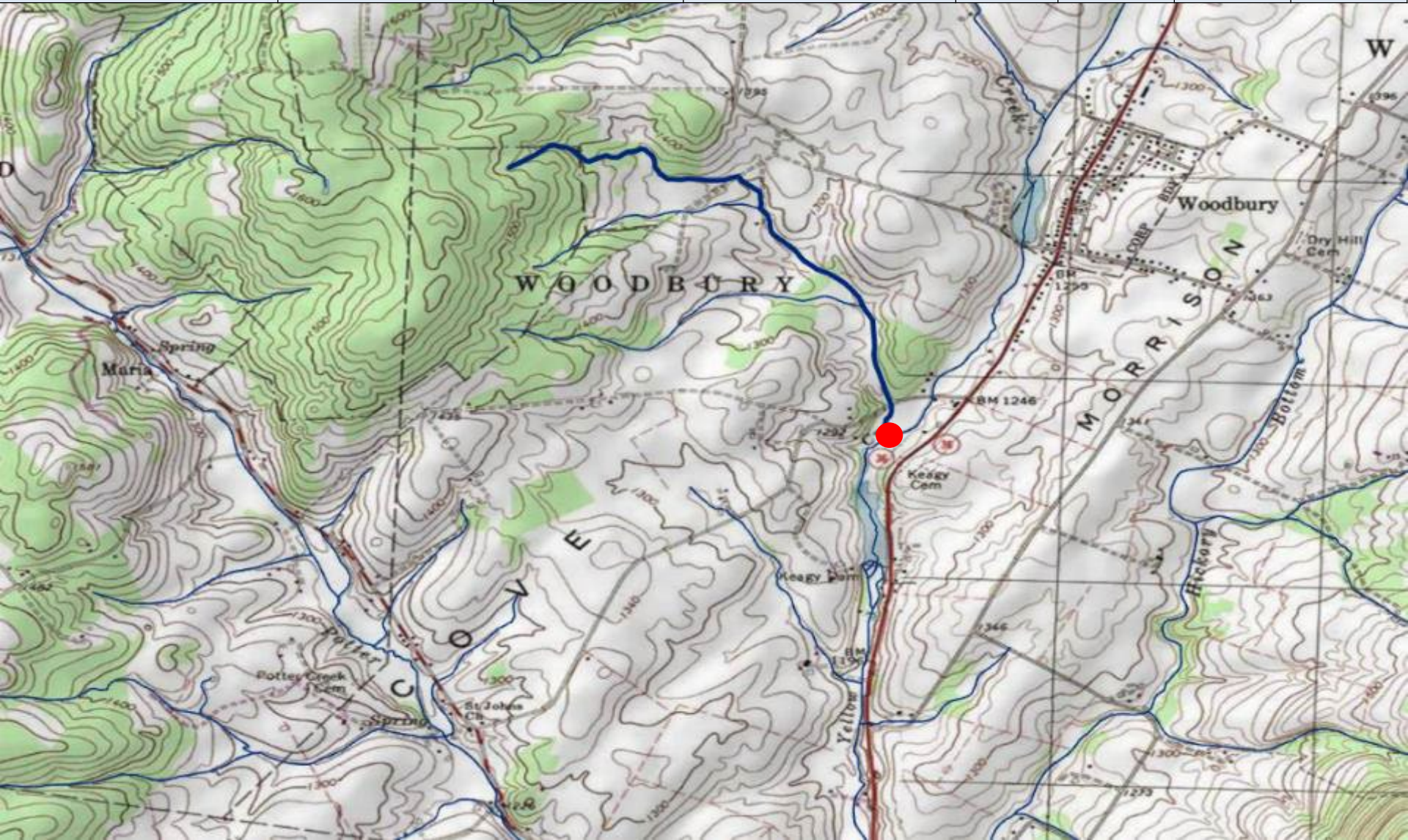
County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Before	UNT to Dunning Creek (RM 20.94)	Dunning Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook Brown	14 6	2-8 2-3



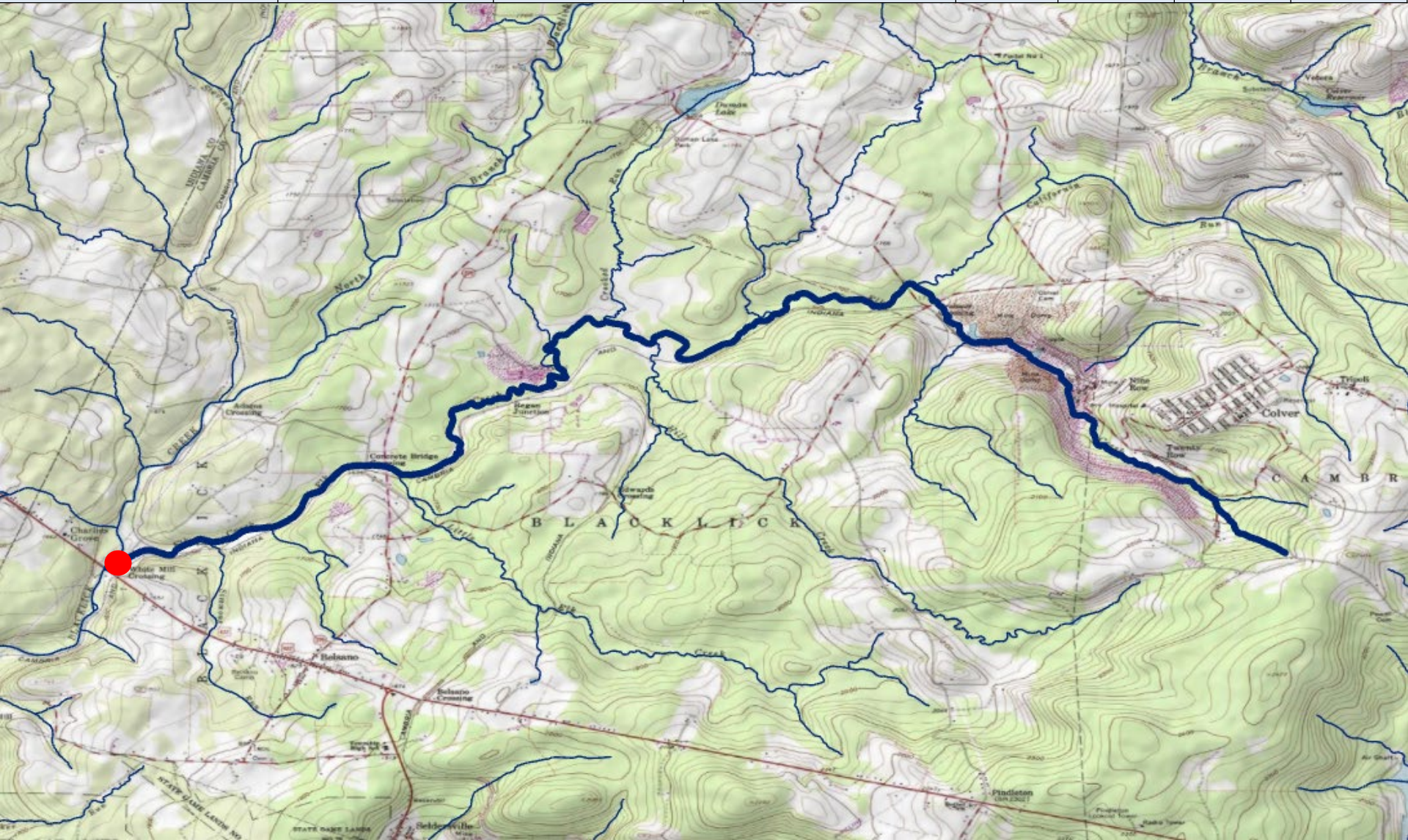
County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Bedford	UNT to Sugar Camp Run (RM 0.83)	Sugar Camp Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.30	Brown	11	2-12



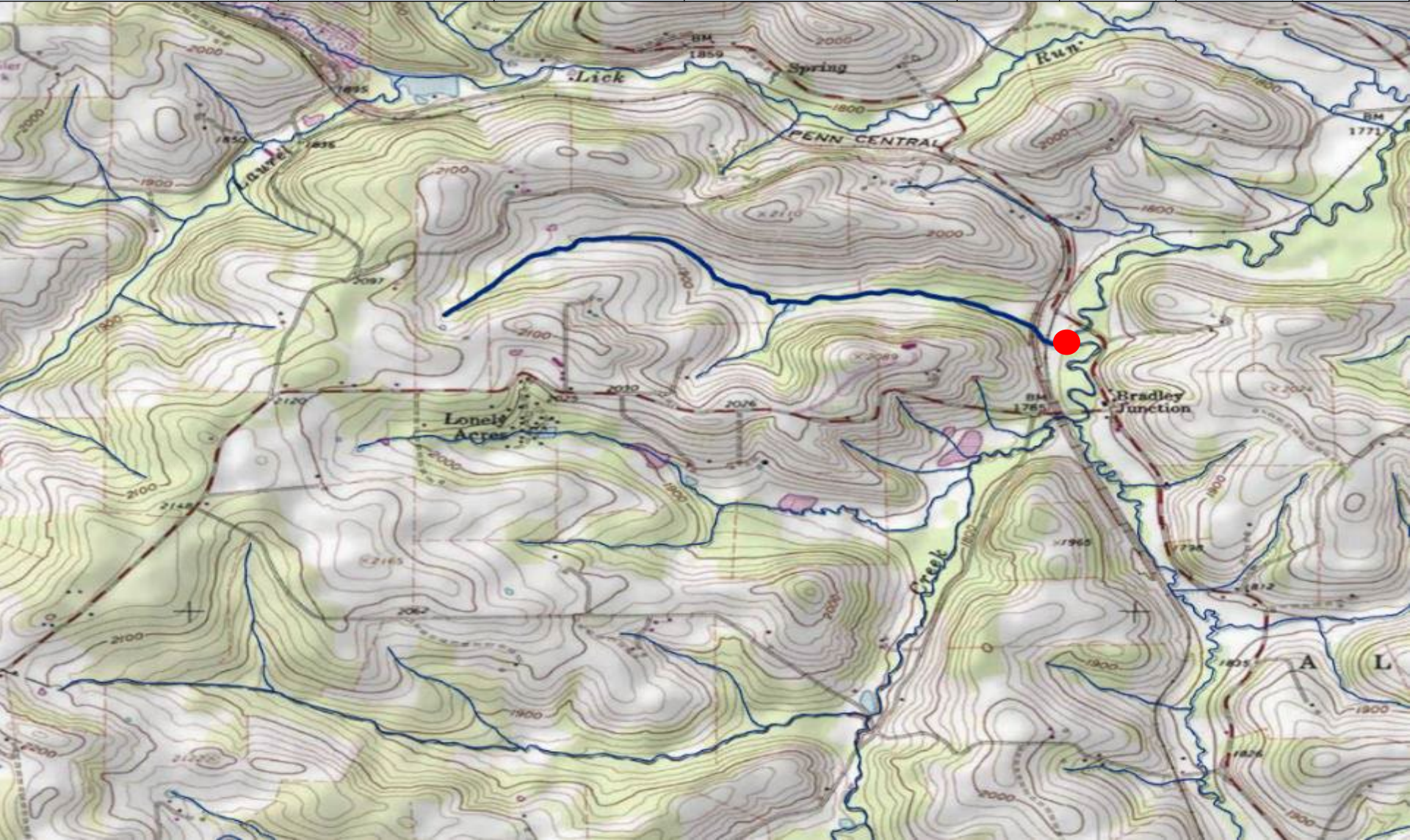
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Bedford	UNT to Yellow Creek (RM 14.81)	Yellow Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brown	3	3-9



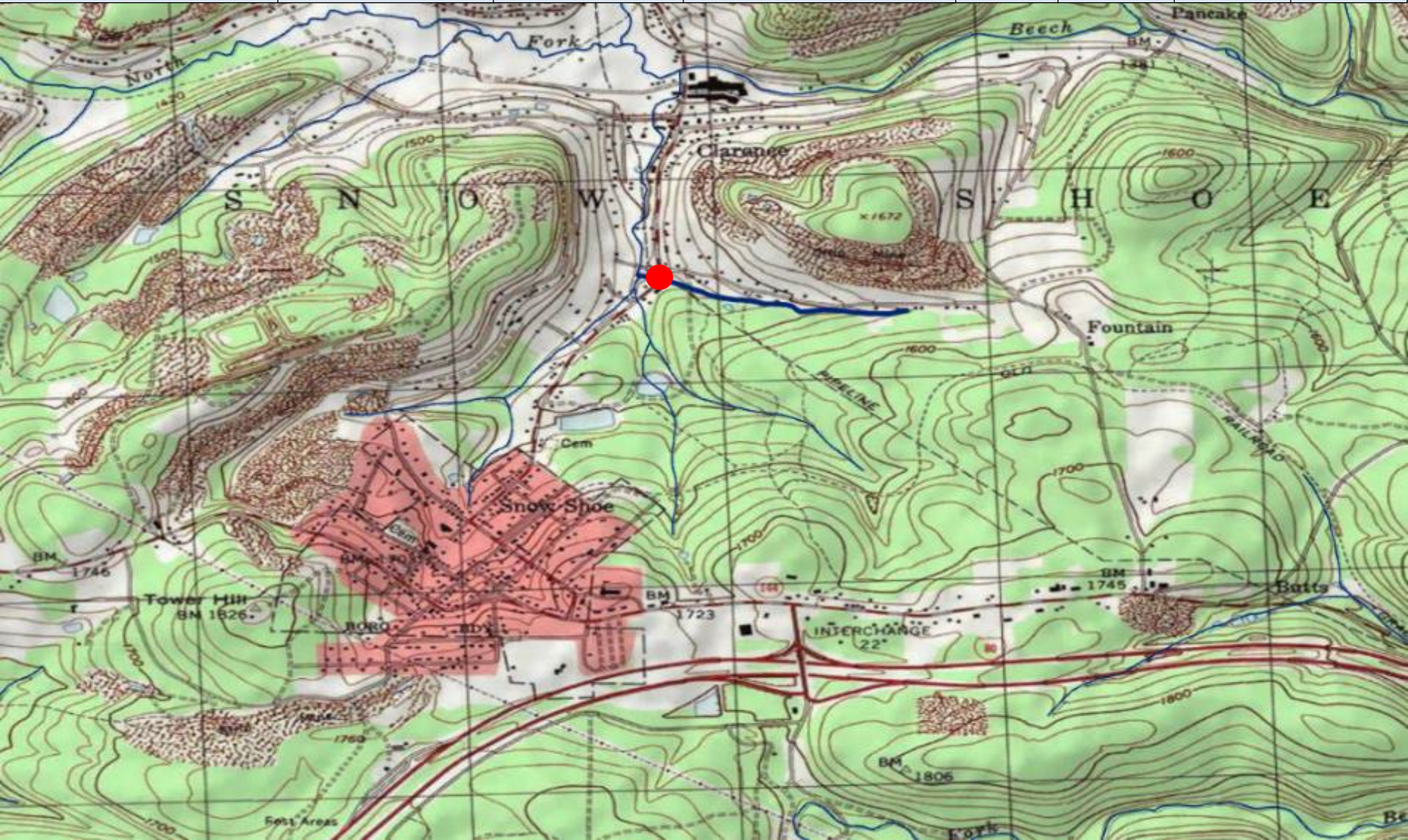
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Cambria	Elk Creek	North Branch Blacklick Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.04	Brown	5	7-18



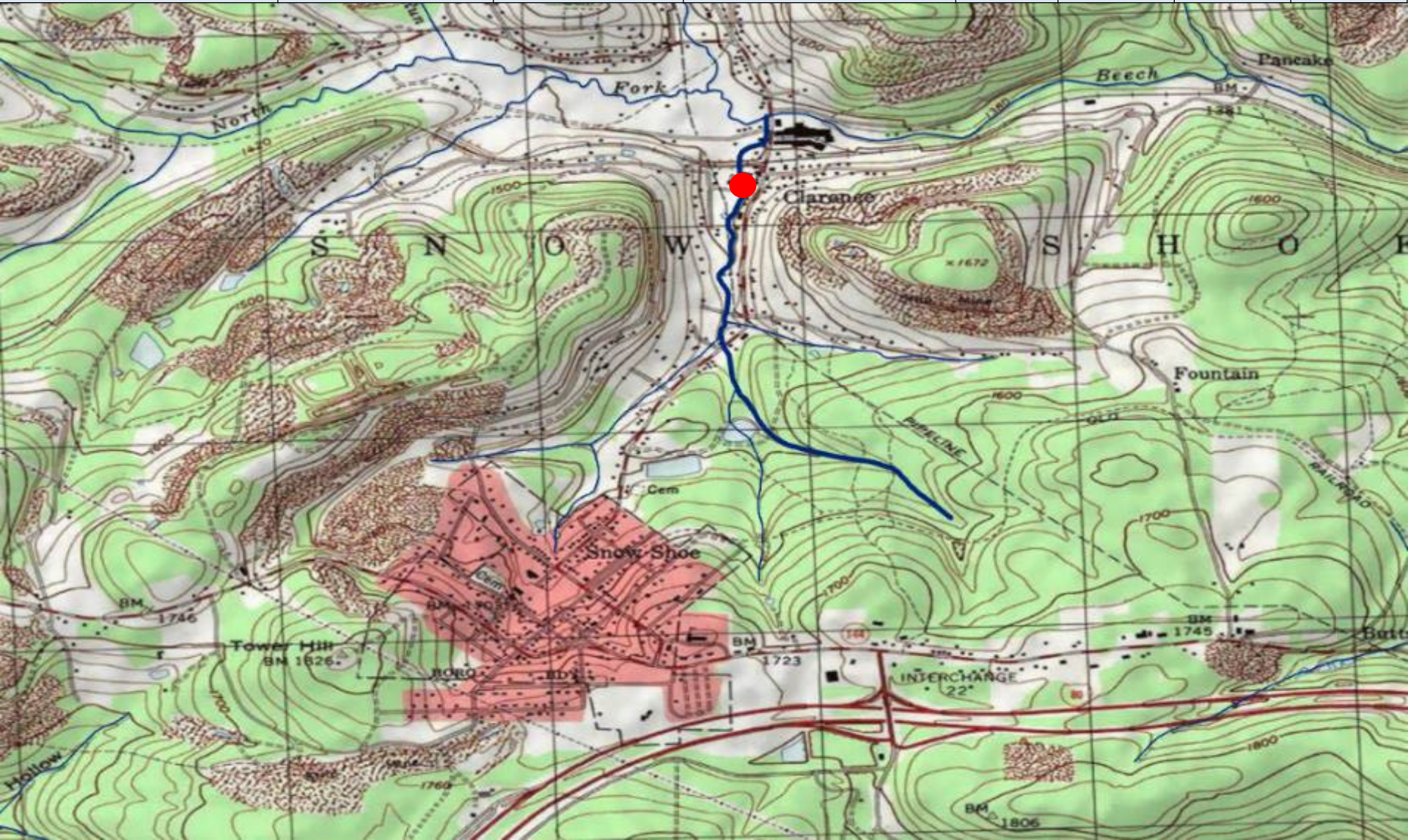
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Cambria	UNT to Chest Creek (RM 35.97)	Chest Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	10	4-10



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Centre	UNT (RM 0.70) to UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	Headwaters to mouth	0.05	Brook	8	2-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Centre	UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	North Fork Beech Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.22	Brook	16	2-10



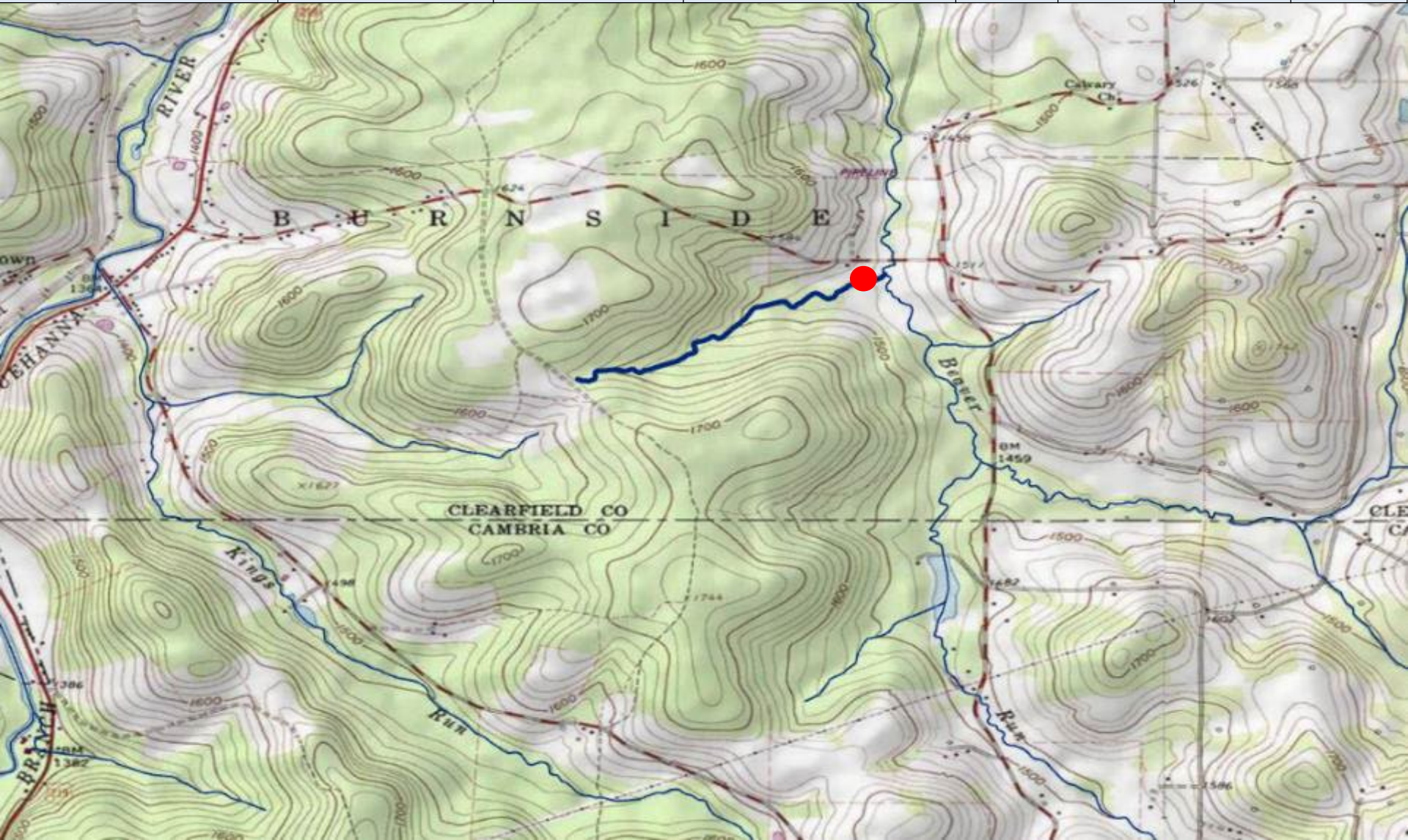
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Centre	UNT to Spring Creek (RM 20.32)	Spring Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brown	37	2-12



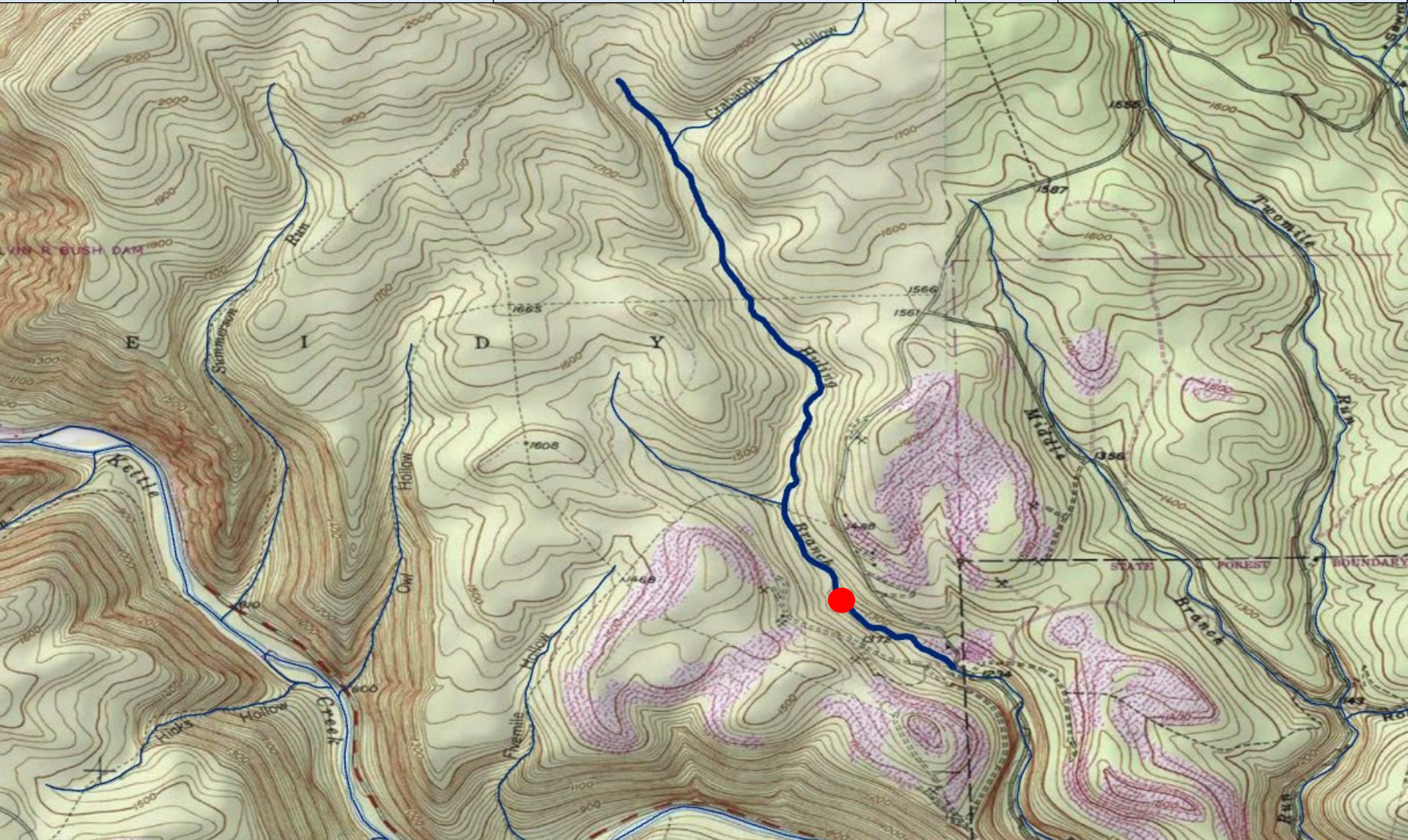
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Clearfield	Little Laurel Run	Laurel Run	Headwaters to UNT to Little Laurel Run (RM 3.11)	4.28	Brook	273	1-10



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clearfield	UNT to Beaver Run (RM 4.57)	Beaver Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.08	Brown	5	2



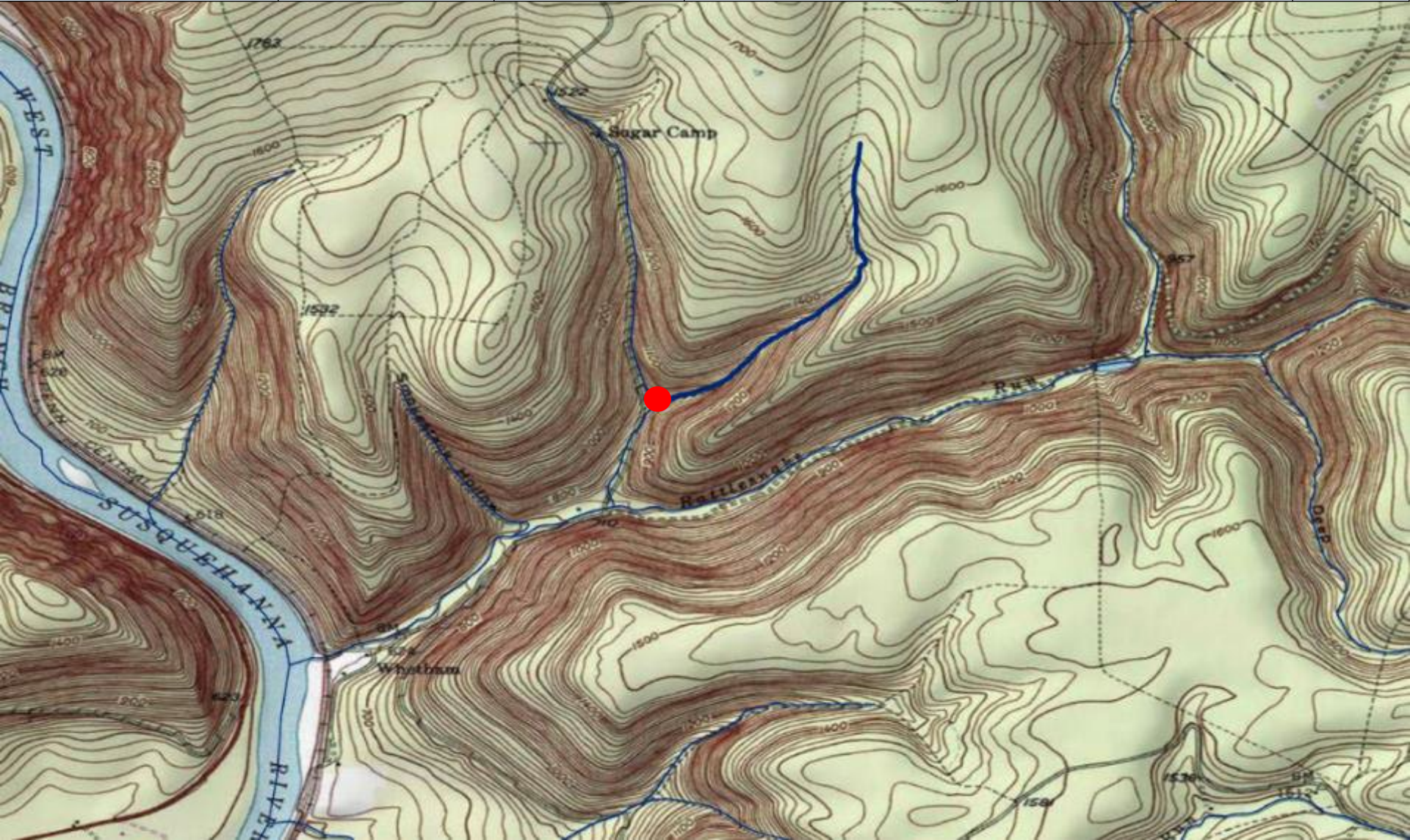
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Clinton	Huling Branch	Twomile Run	Headwaters to AMD discharge at RM 1.83	2.24	Brook	33	2-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	Middle Branch Twomile Run	Twomile Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	9	3-8



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	UNT (RM 0.34) to UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	3	2-5



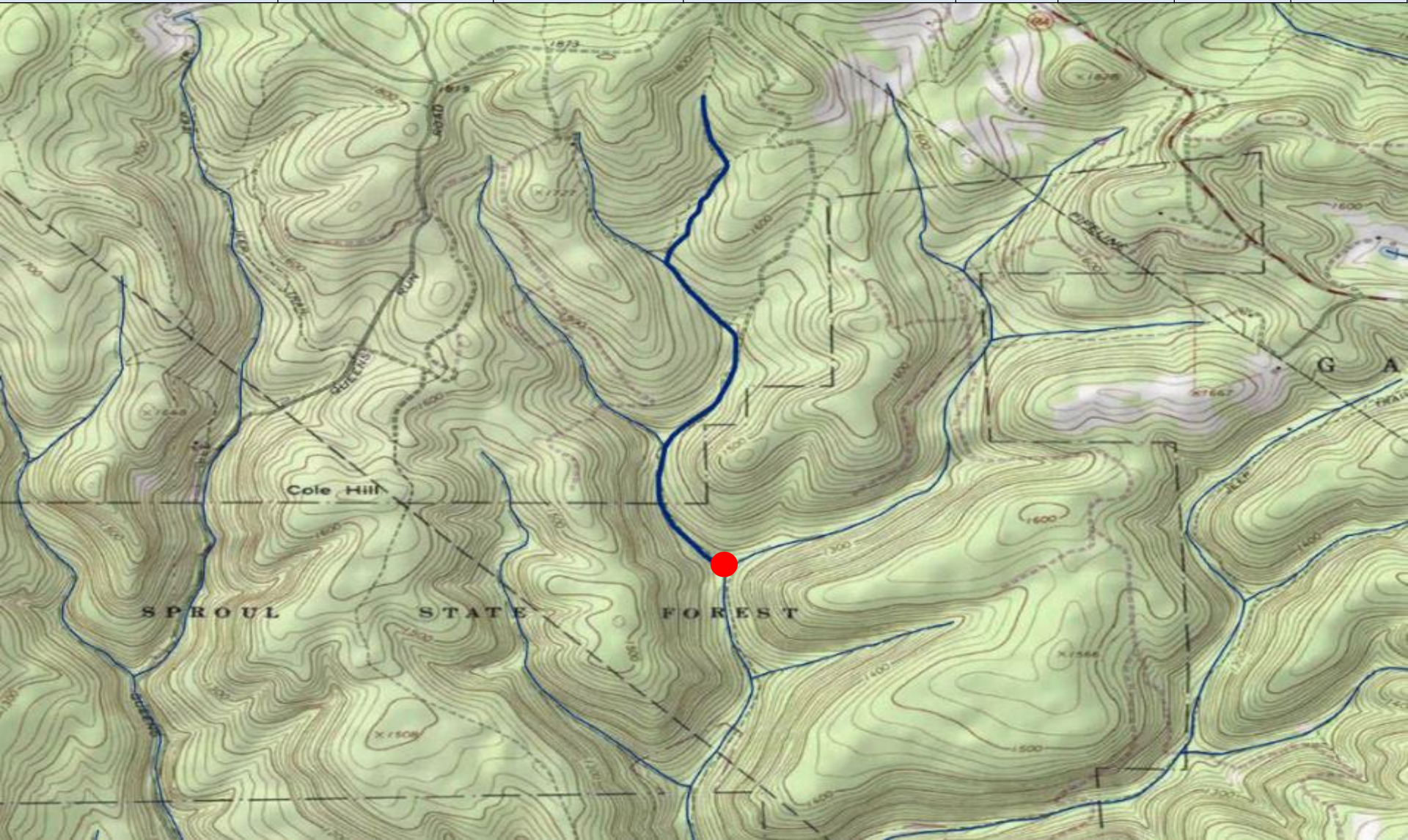
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Clinton	UNT (RM 0.37) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to mouth	0.15	Brook	8	2-7



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	UNT (RM 0.76) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	6	2-5



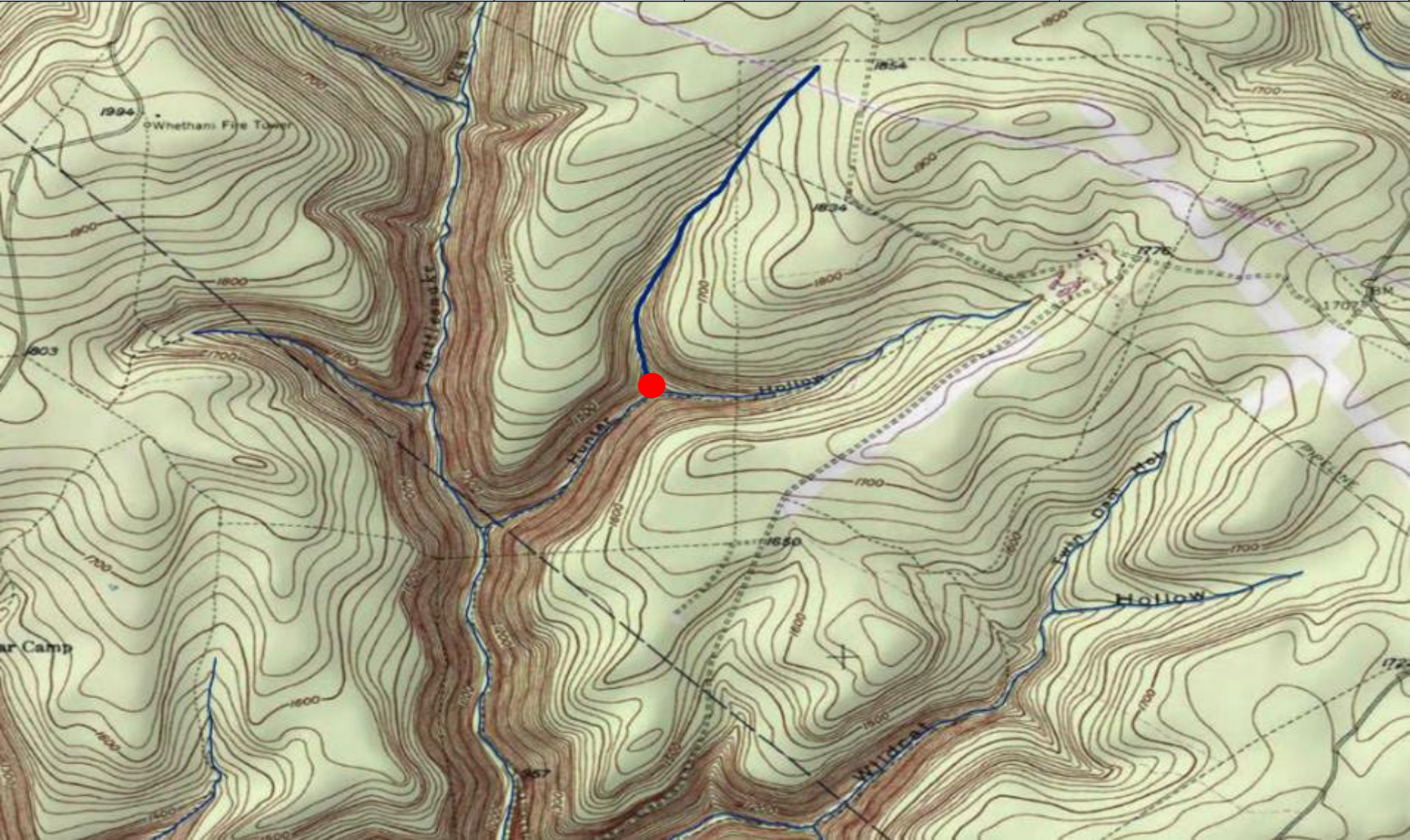
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County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
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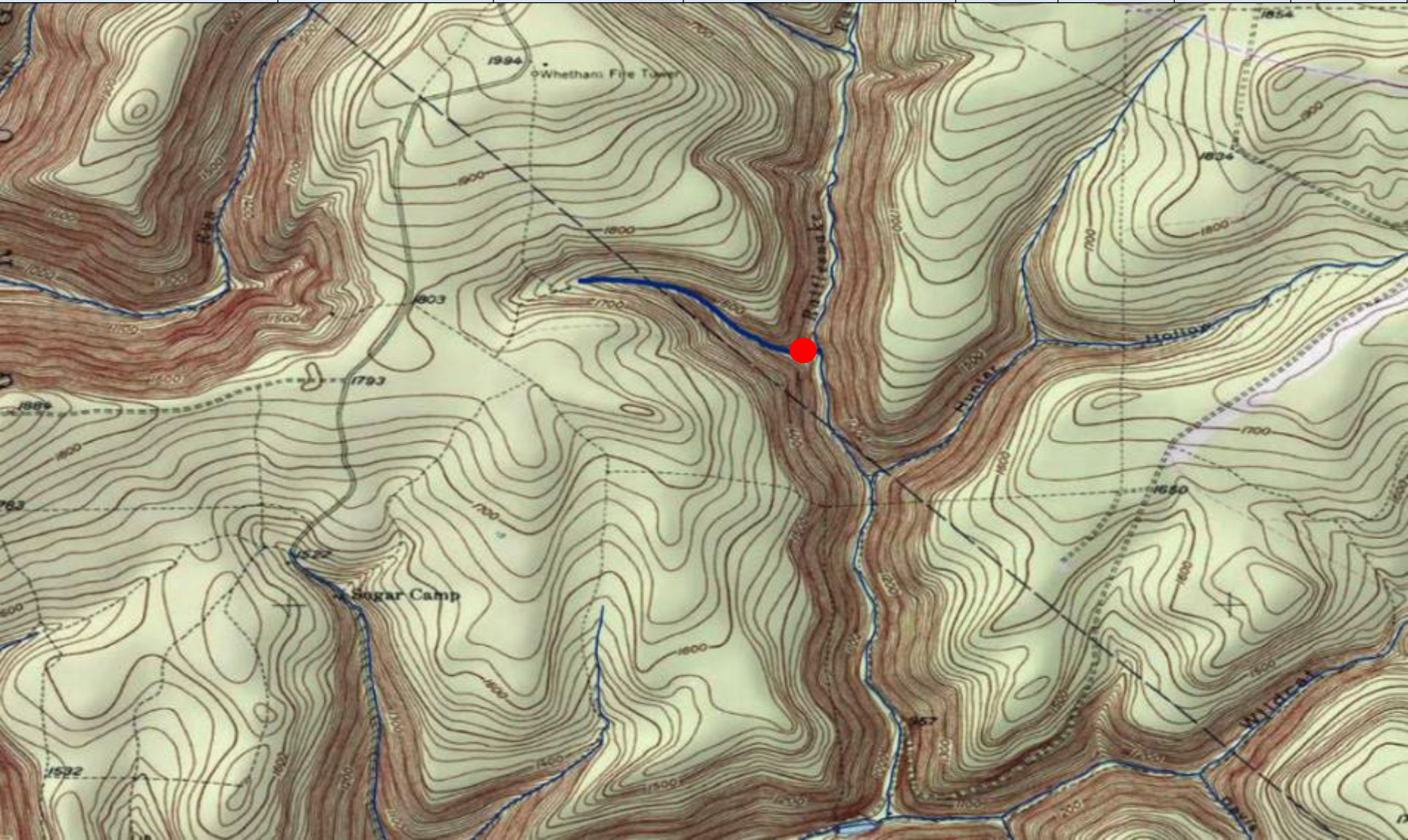
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Clinton	UNT to Hunter Hollow (RM 0.60)	Hunter Hollow	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	4	2-5



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	Rattlesnake Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.18	Brook	30	2-8



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 3.77)	Rattlesnake Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook	14	2-3



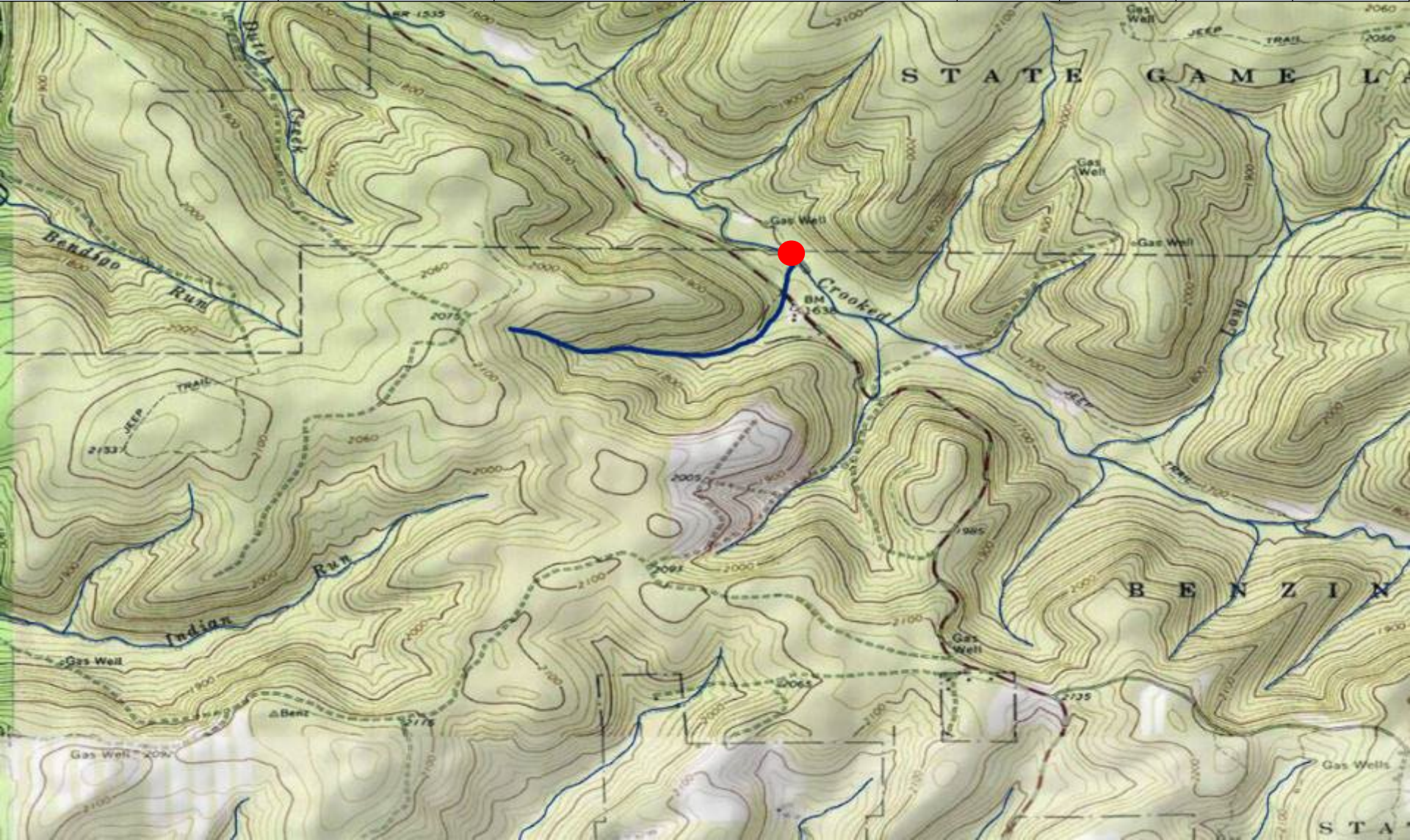
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Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 4.71)	Rattlesnake Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	23	1-5



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Clinton	UNT to West Branch Big Run (RM 1.86)	West Branch Big Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook Brown	10 1	2-6 9



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Elk	UNT to Crooked Creek (RM 2.04)	Crooked Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	4	2-4



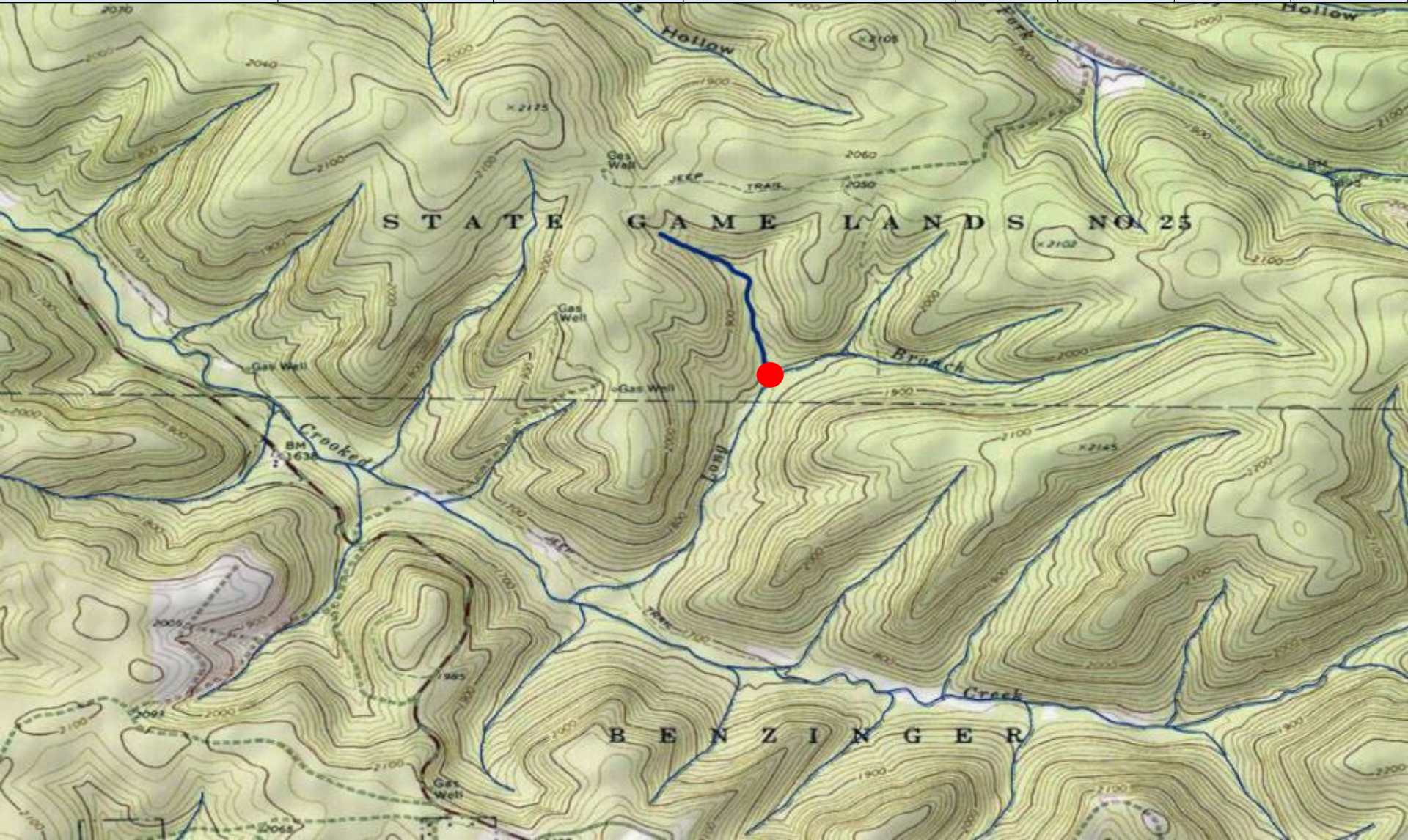
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Elk	UNT to Crooked Creek (RM 3.09)	Crooked Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	20	1-5



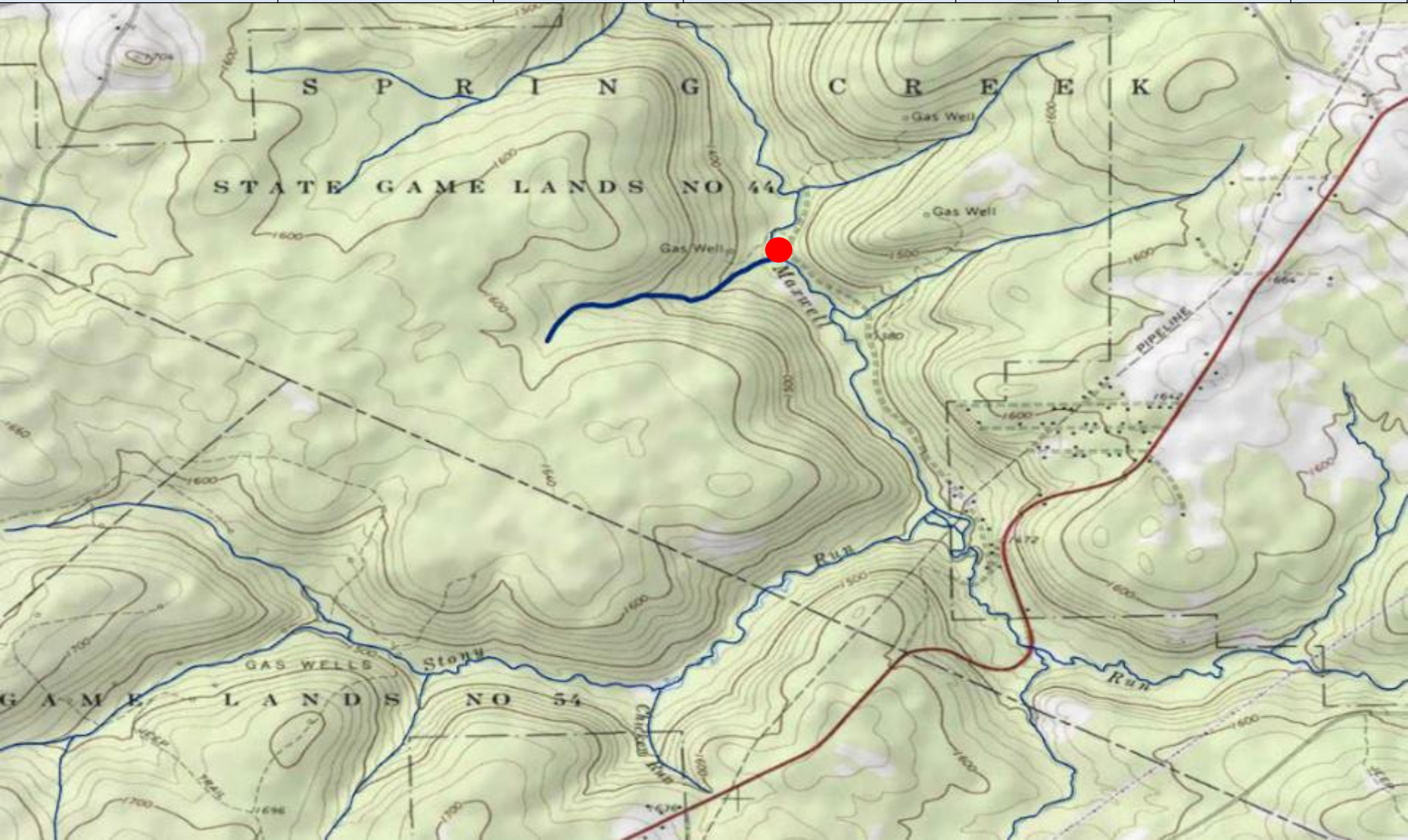
County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Elk	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 25.21)	Little Toby Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.06	Brook	3	2-5



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Elk	UNT to Long Branch (RM 0.96)	Long Branch	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	7	2-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 2.72)	Maxwell Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook	6	3-5



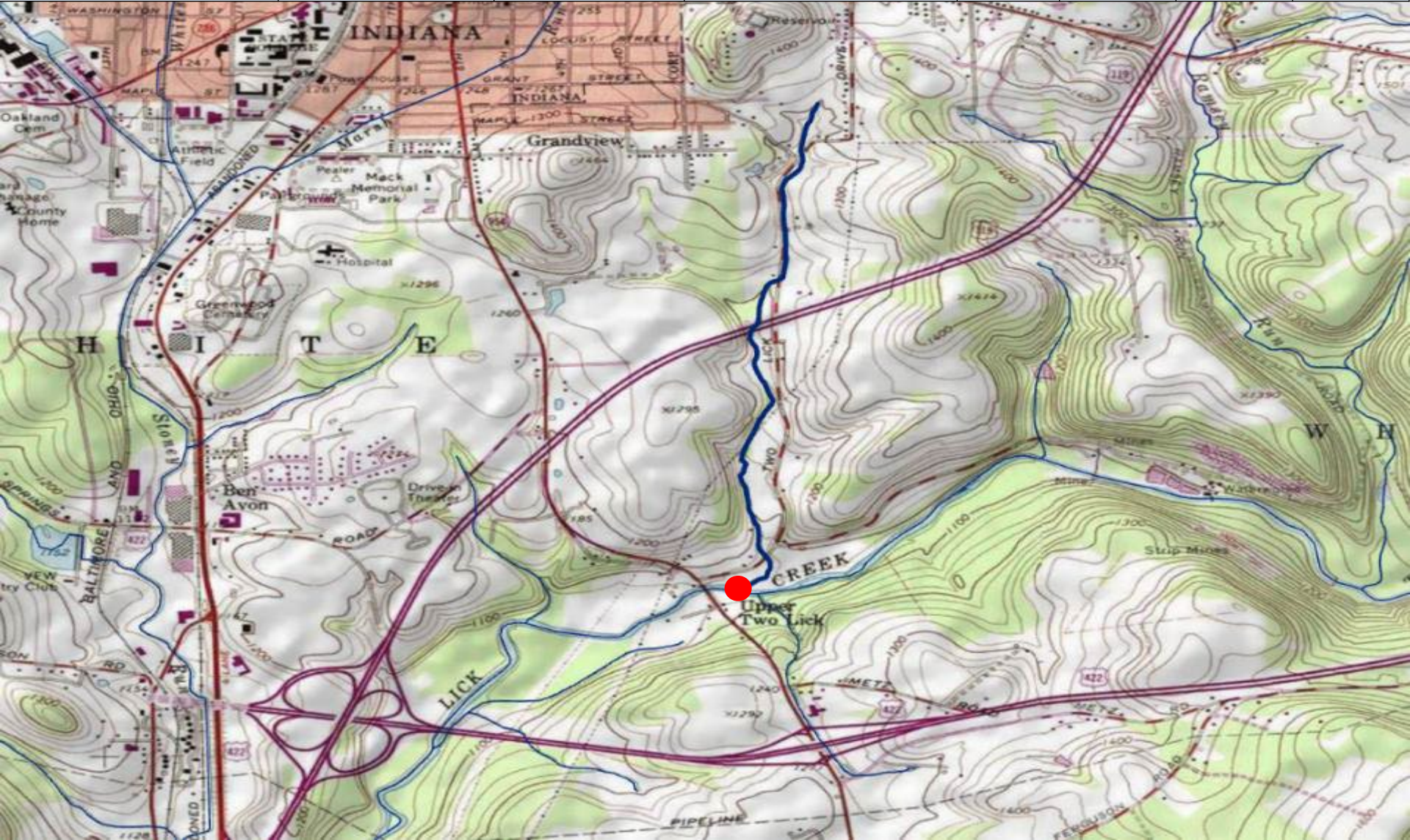
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Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 2.93)	Maxwell Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.04	Brook	4	3-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 4.36)	Maxwell Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	3	2-5



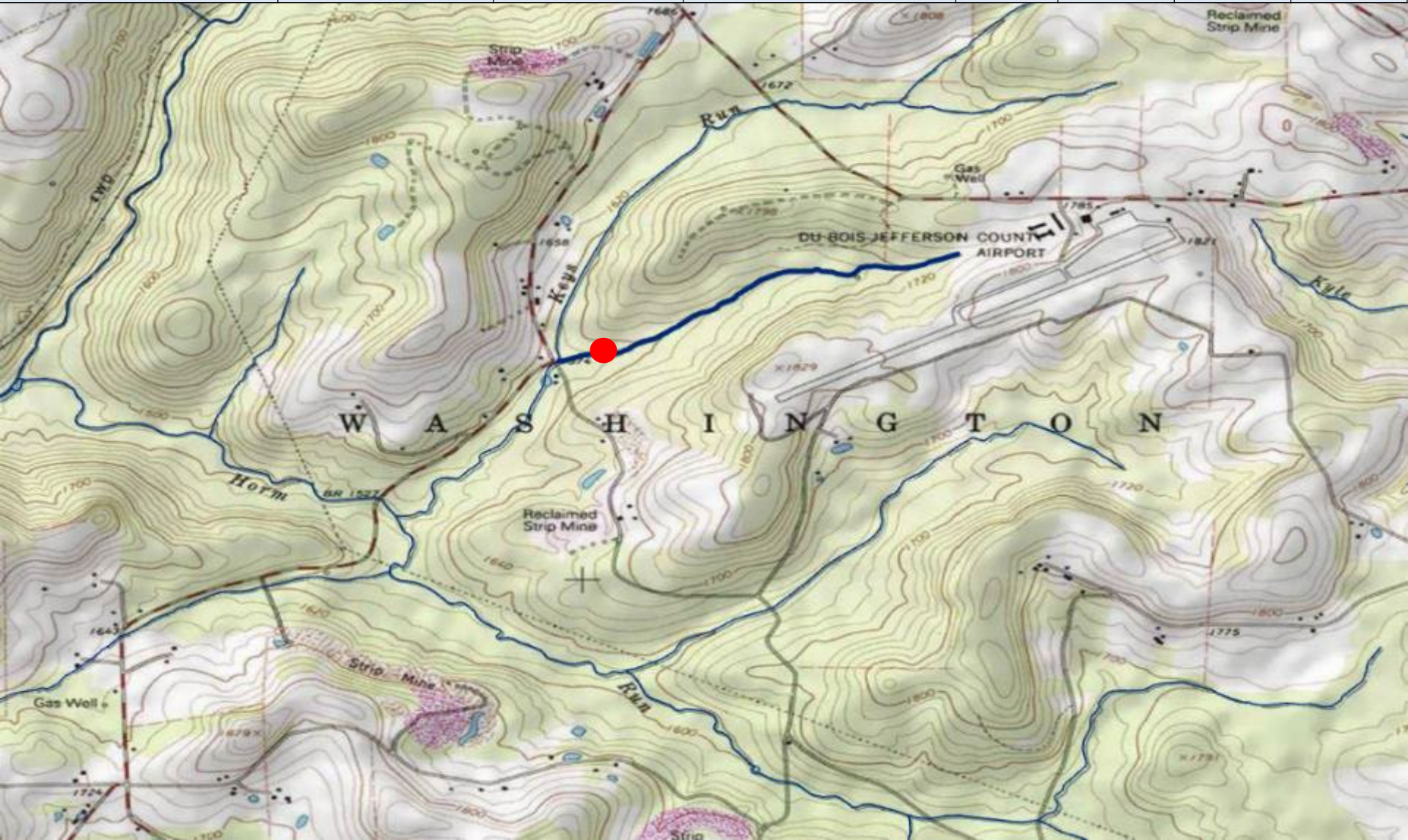
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Indiana	UNT to Two Lick Creek (RM 11.99)	Two Lick Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brown	4	2-3



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	Swede Run	Lucas Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	7	2-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	UNT to Keys Run (RM 0.69)	Keys Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.13	Brook	29	2-7



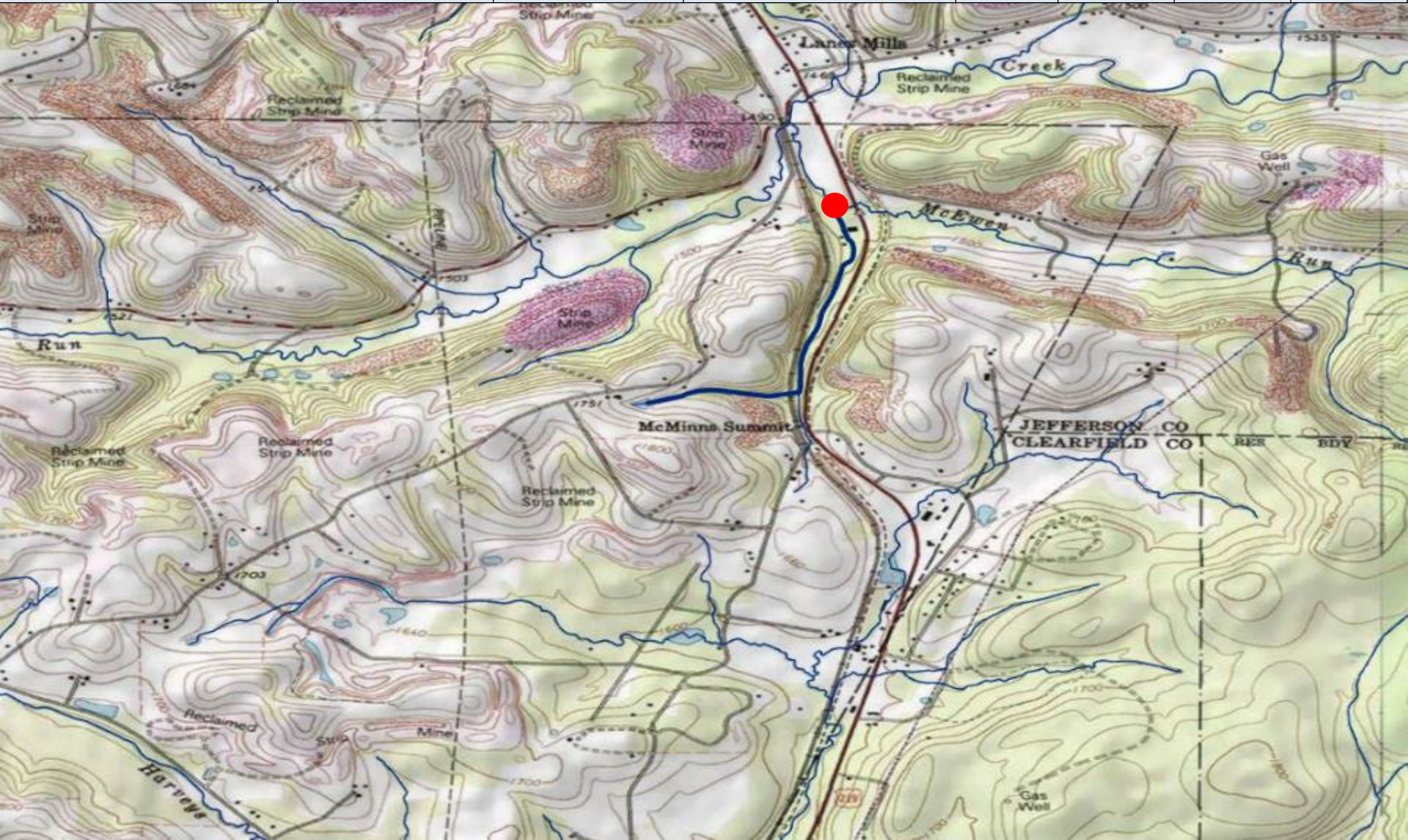
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Jefferson	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 14.45)	Little Toby Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.40	Brook	5	6-8



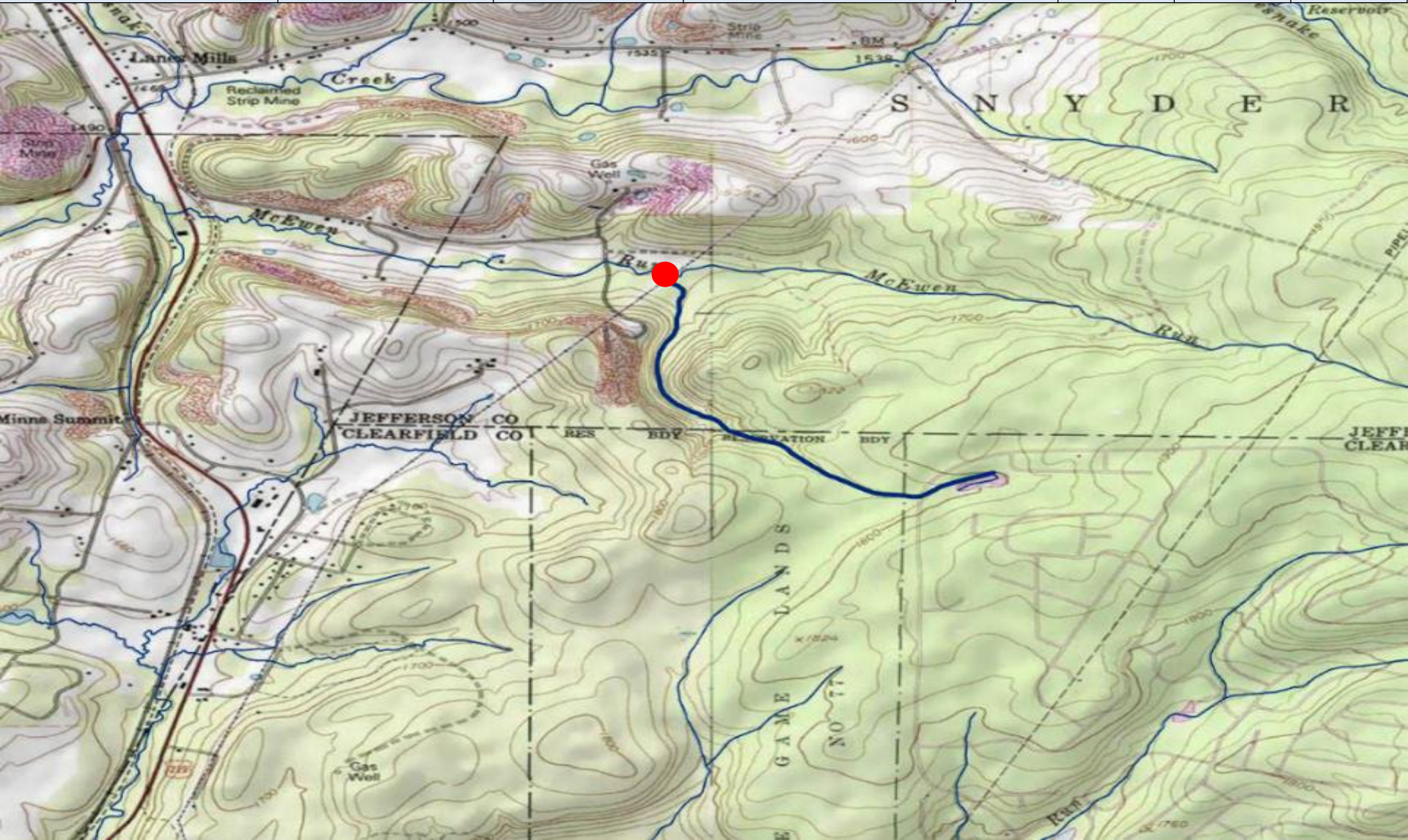
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Jefferson	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 15.98)	Little Toby Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.37	Brook	19	2-9



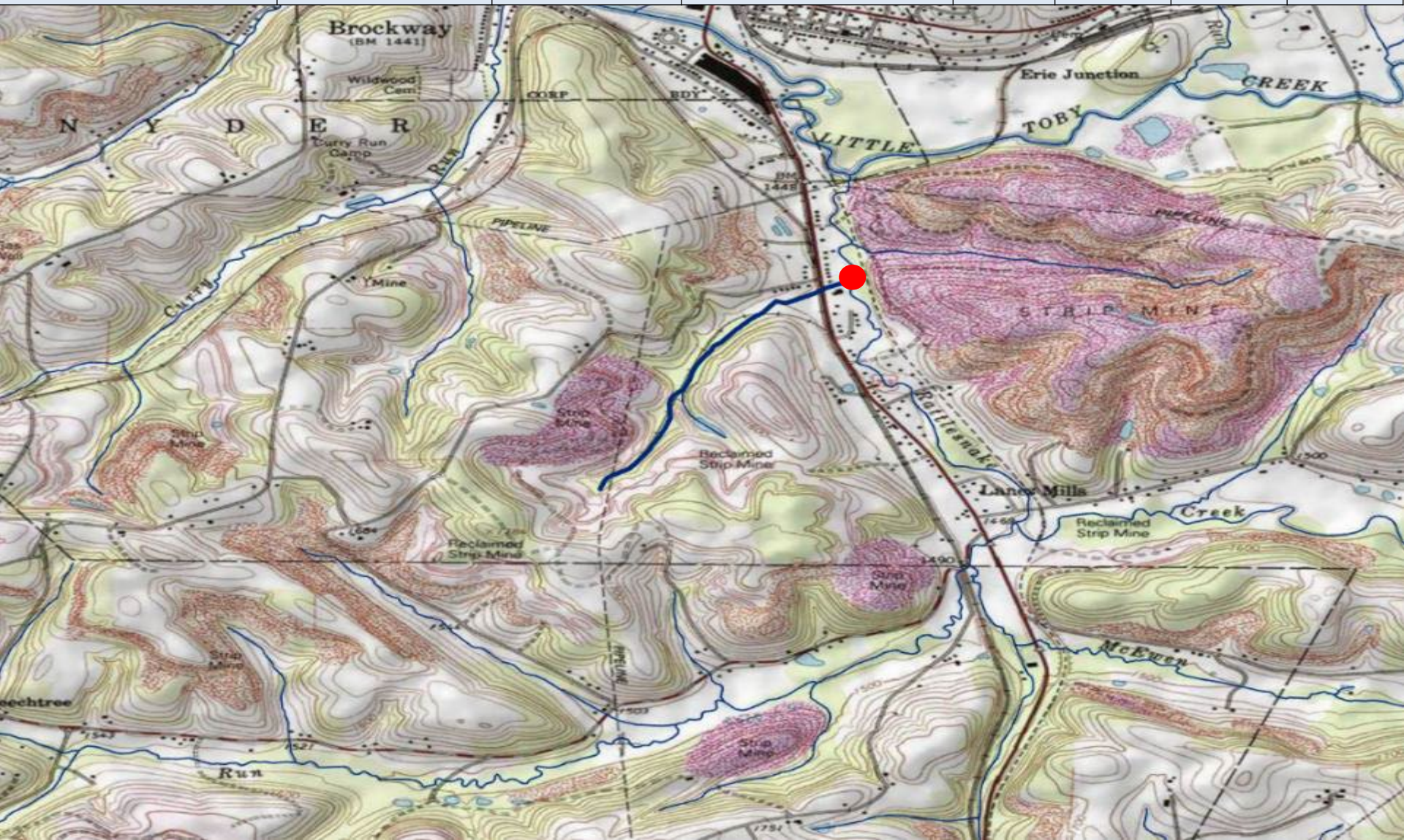
County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	UNT to McEwen Run (RM 0.35)	McEwen Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.05	Brook	12	2-5



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	UNT to McEwen Run (RM 1.71)	McEwen Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	8	2-5

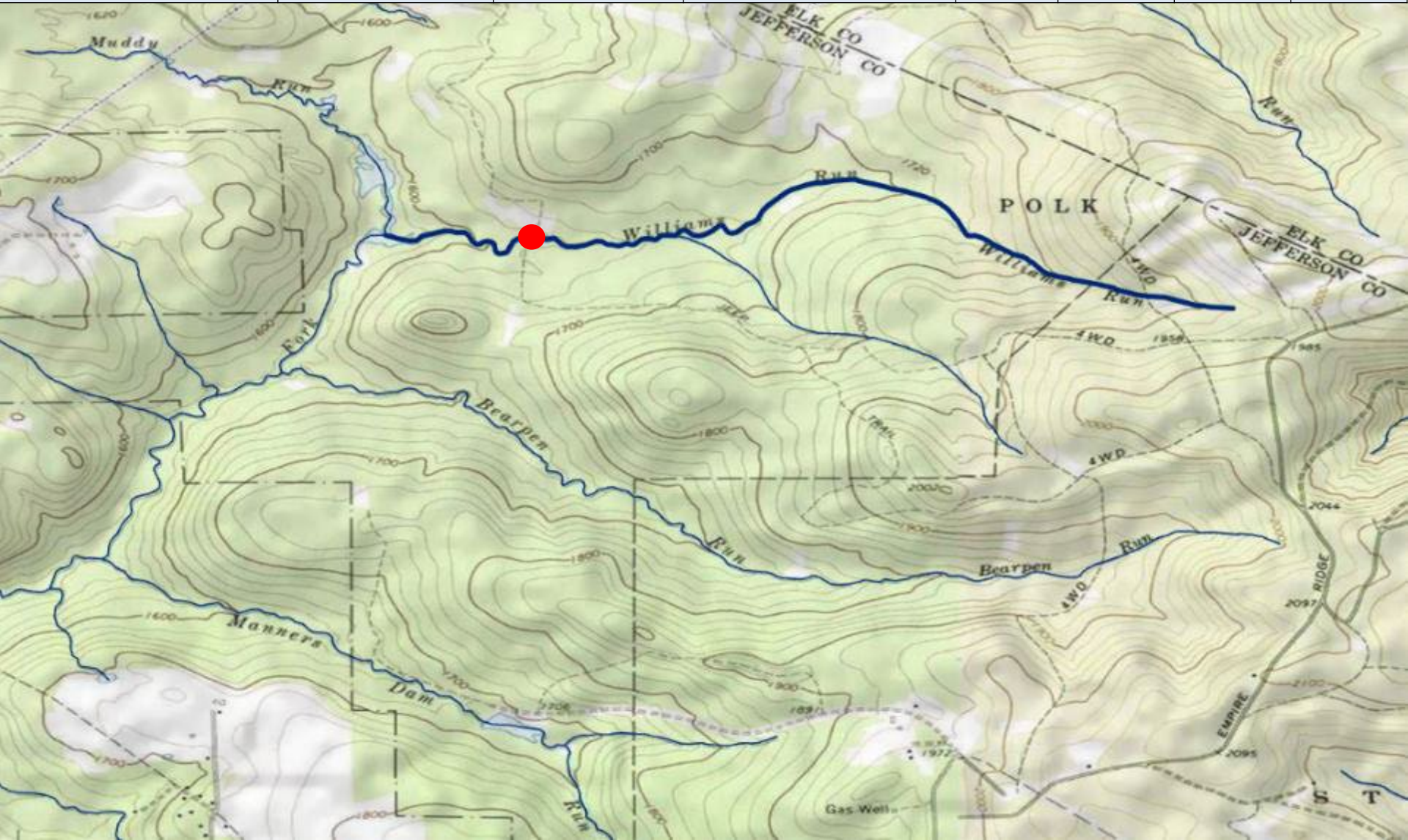


County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	UNT to Rattlesnake Creek (RM 0.45)	Rattlesnake Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook Brown	7 1	2-3 3



A detailed topographic map of a region in West Virginia, centered around the town of Westville. The map features several water bodies: Rattlesnake Run flowing from the northwest towards the center, Beechtree Run flowing from the northeast towards the center, and Harvey Run flowing from the southeast towards the center. A prominent red dot is located on Beechtree Run, just west of its confluence with Rattlesnake Run. The terrain is characterized by numerous contour lines, with elevations ranging from approximately 1600 to 1900 feet. Several areas are labeled as 'Reclaimed Strip Mine', indicating former mining operations. Other labels include 'Gas Well' and 'Beechwoods'. The map also shows a network of roads and a railroad line. The overall color scheme is typical of topographic maps, with greens for lower elevations and browns/pinks for higher elevations.

County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Jefferson	Williams Run	North Fork Redbank Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.41	Brook	4	2-3



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Lycoming	UNT (RM 1.22) to UNT to White Deer Hole Creek (RM 16.50)	White Deer Hole Creek (RM 16.50)	Headwaters to mouth	0.11	Brook Brown	24 2	1-7 4



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Lycoming	UNT to Callahan Run (RM 0.92)	Callahan Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook	41	2-8



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Lycoming	UNT to Gamble Run (RM 2.74)	Gamble Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.01	Brook	8	2-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
McKean	Donley Fork	Robbins Brook	Headwaters to mouth	0.09	Brook Brown	42 1	2-7 7



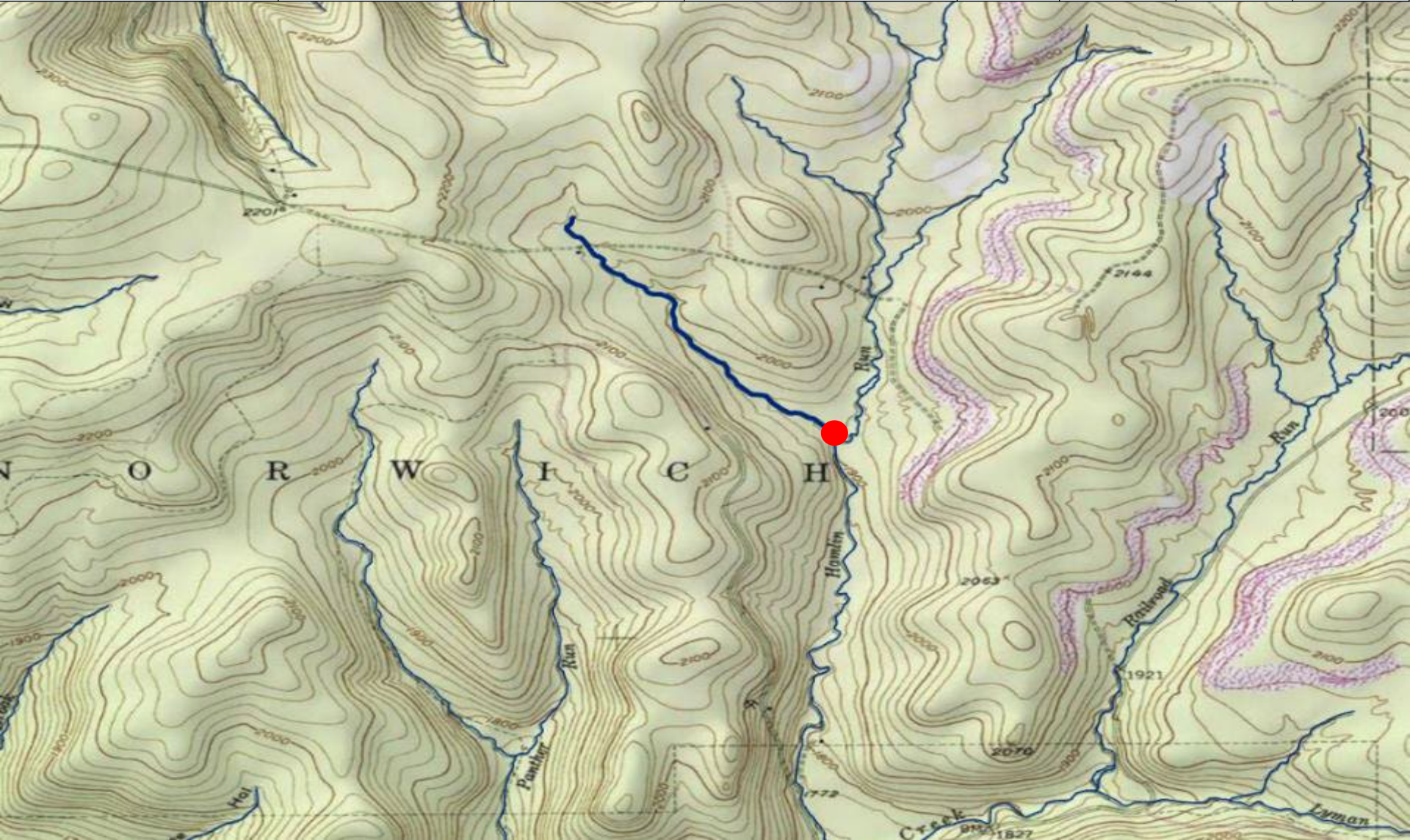
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McKean	Rocky Fork	Robbins Brook	Headwaters to mouth	0.05	Brook	16	2-7



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
McKean	UNT (RM 0.50) to UNT to East Branch Potato Creek (RM 2.37)	UNT to East Branch Potato Creek (RM 2.37)	Headwaters to mouth	0.05	Brook	33	2-5



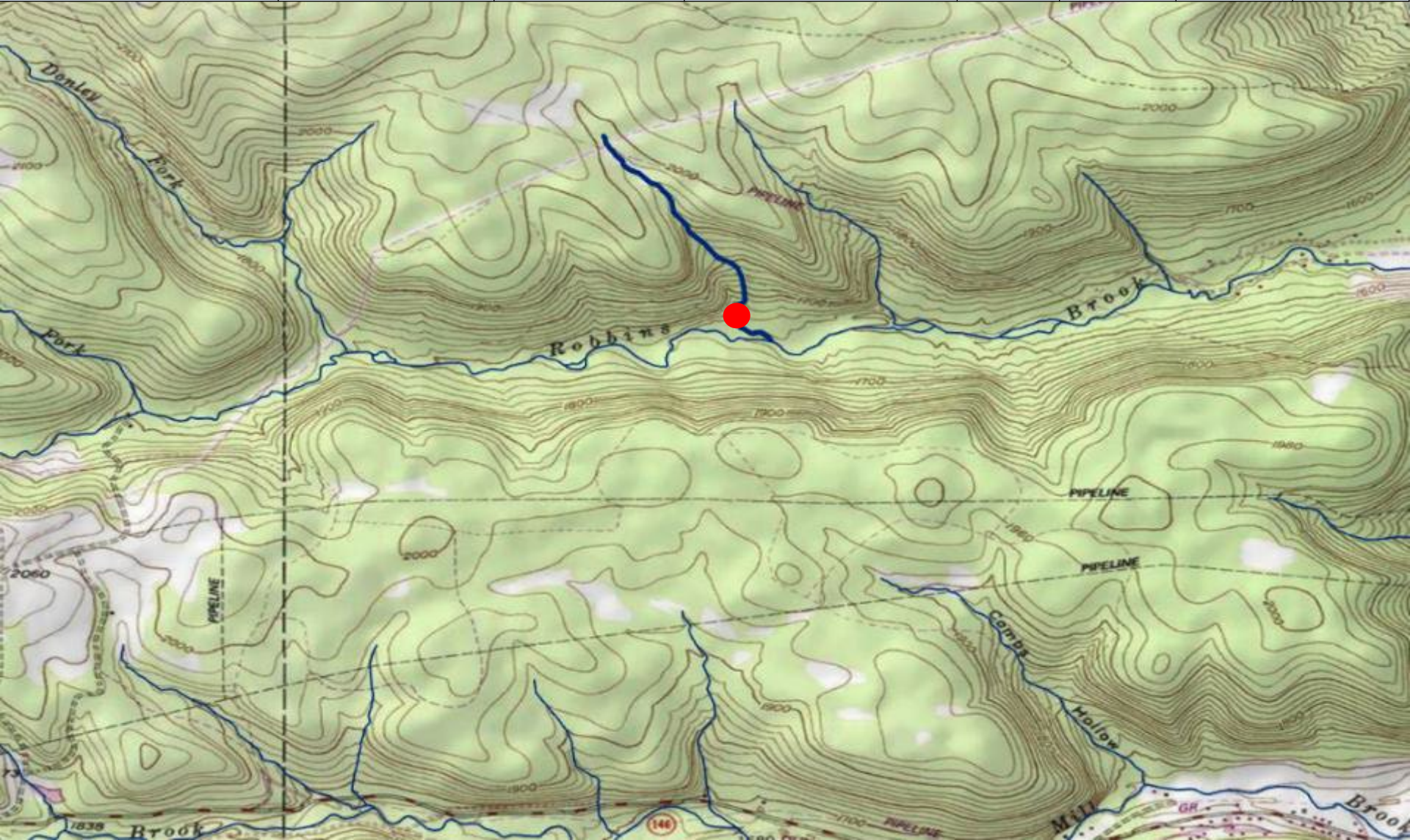
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McKean	UNT to Hamlin Run (RM 1.70)	Hamlin Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	19	2-6



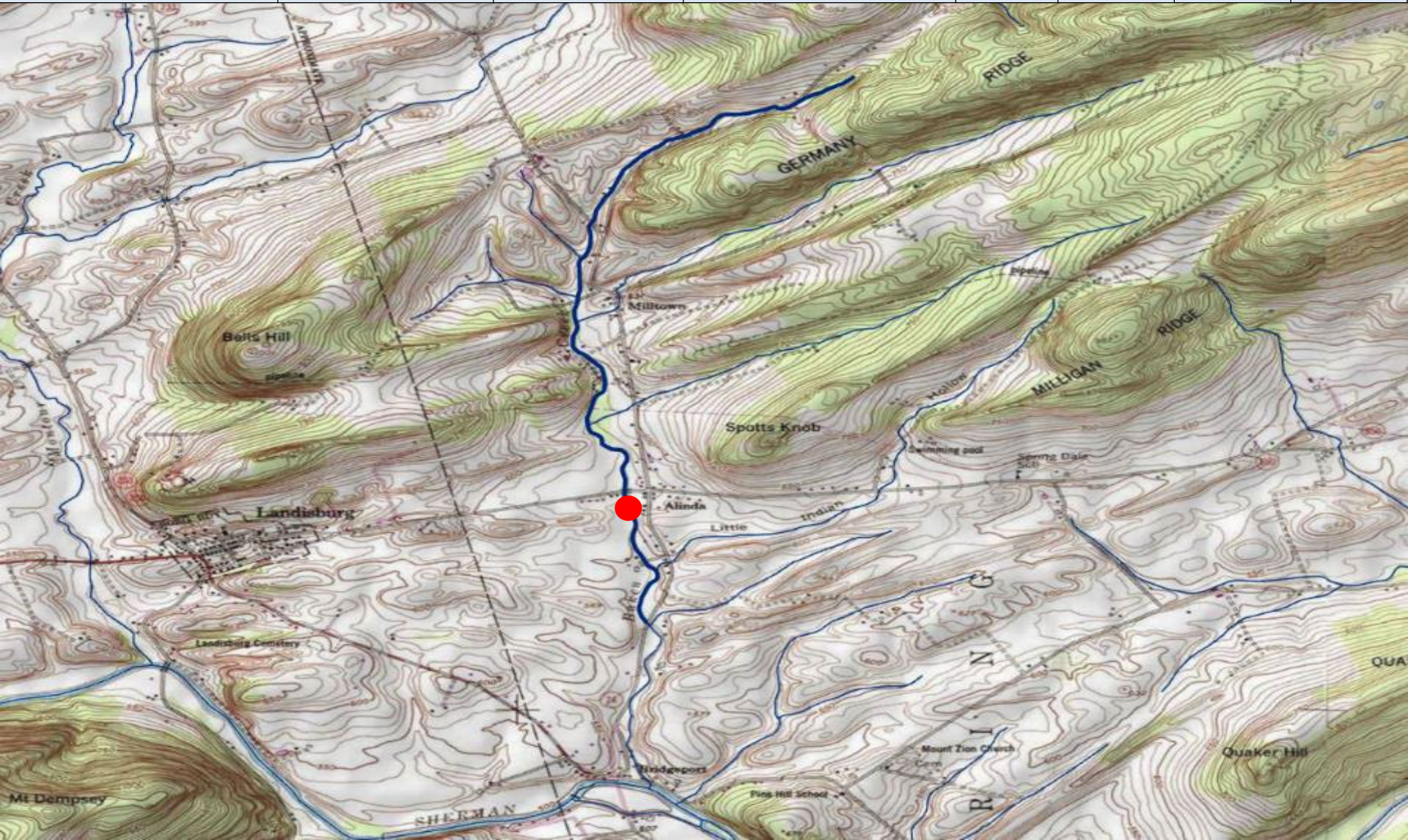
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McKean	UNT to Robbins Brook (RM 1.54)	Robbins Brook	Headwaters to mouth	0.13	Brook	23	1-6



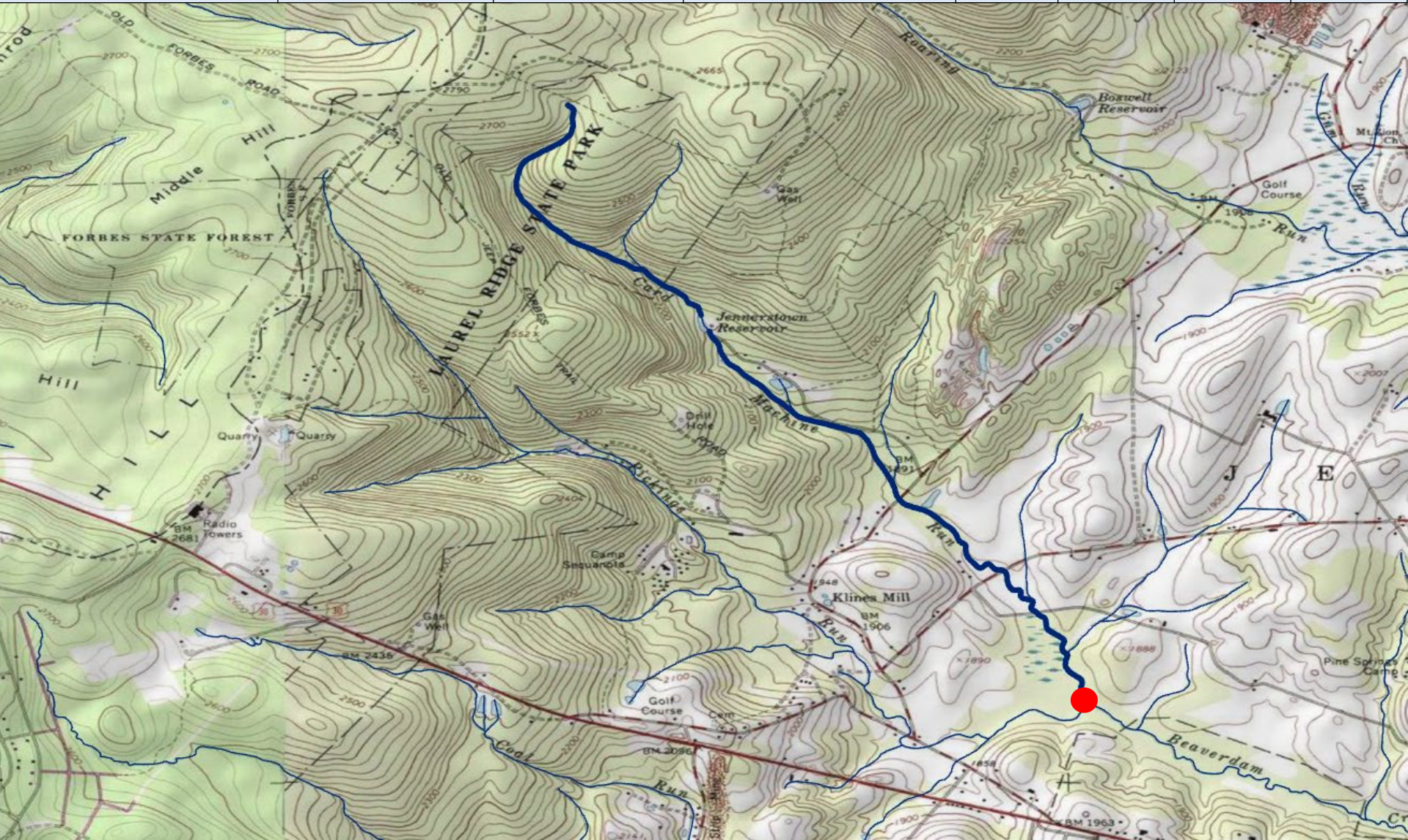
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McKean	UNT to Robbins Brook (RM 1.96)	Robbins Brook	Headwaters to mouth	0.11	Brook	18	2-5



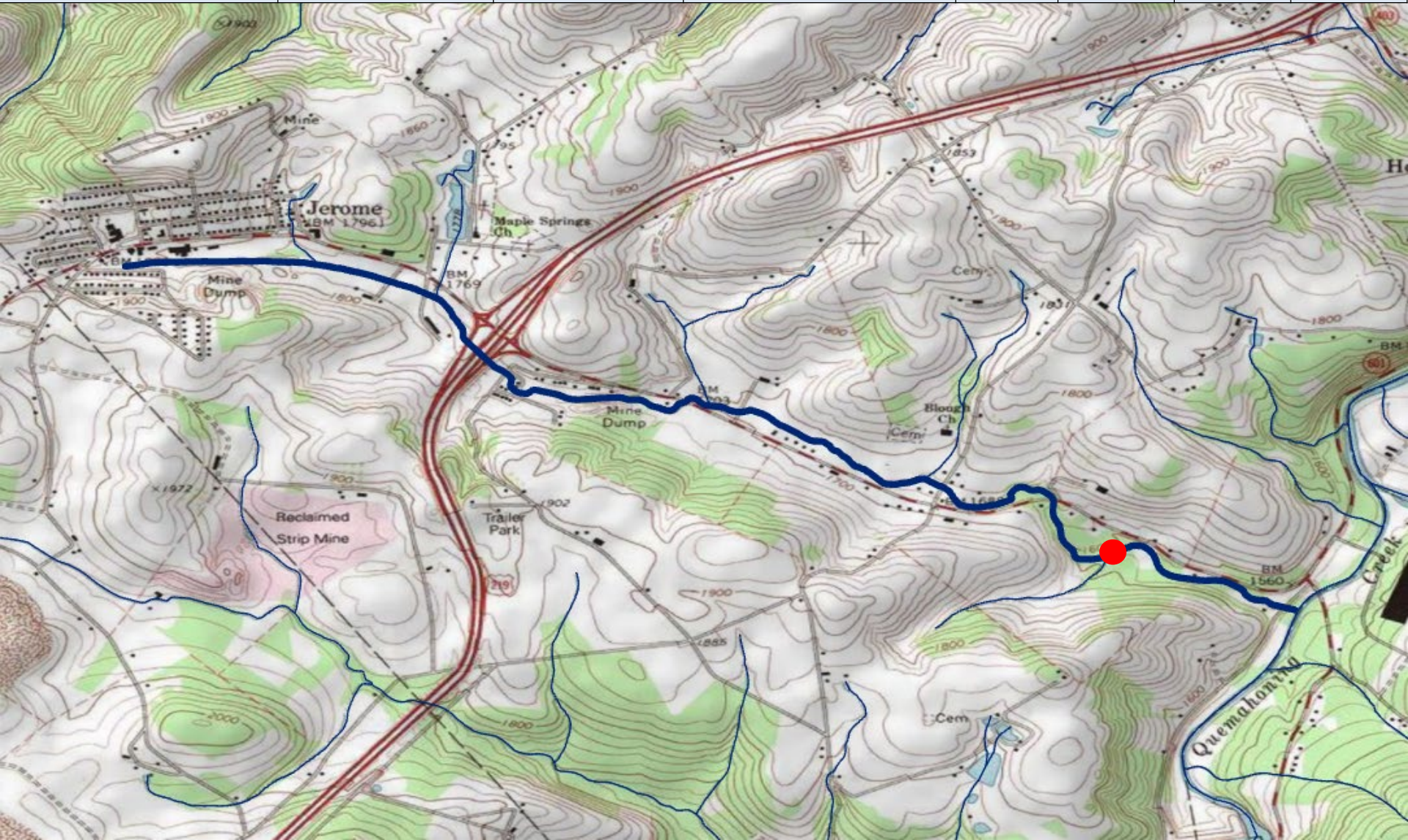
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Perry	Baken Creek	Sherman Creek	Headwaters to first PA-74 bridge crossing upstream of mouth	1.23	Brook	7	3-4



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Somerset	Card Machine Run	Beaverdam Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.02	Brook	16	2-8



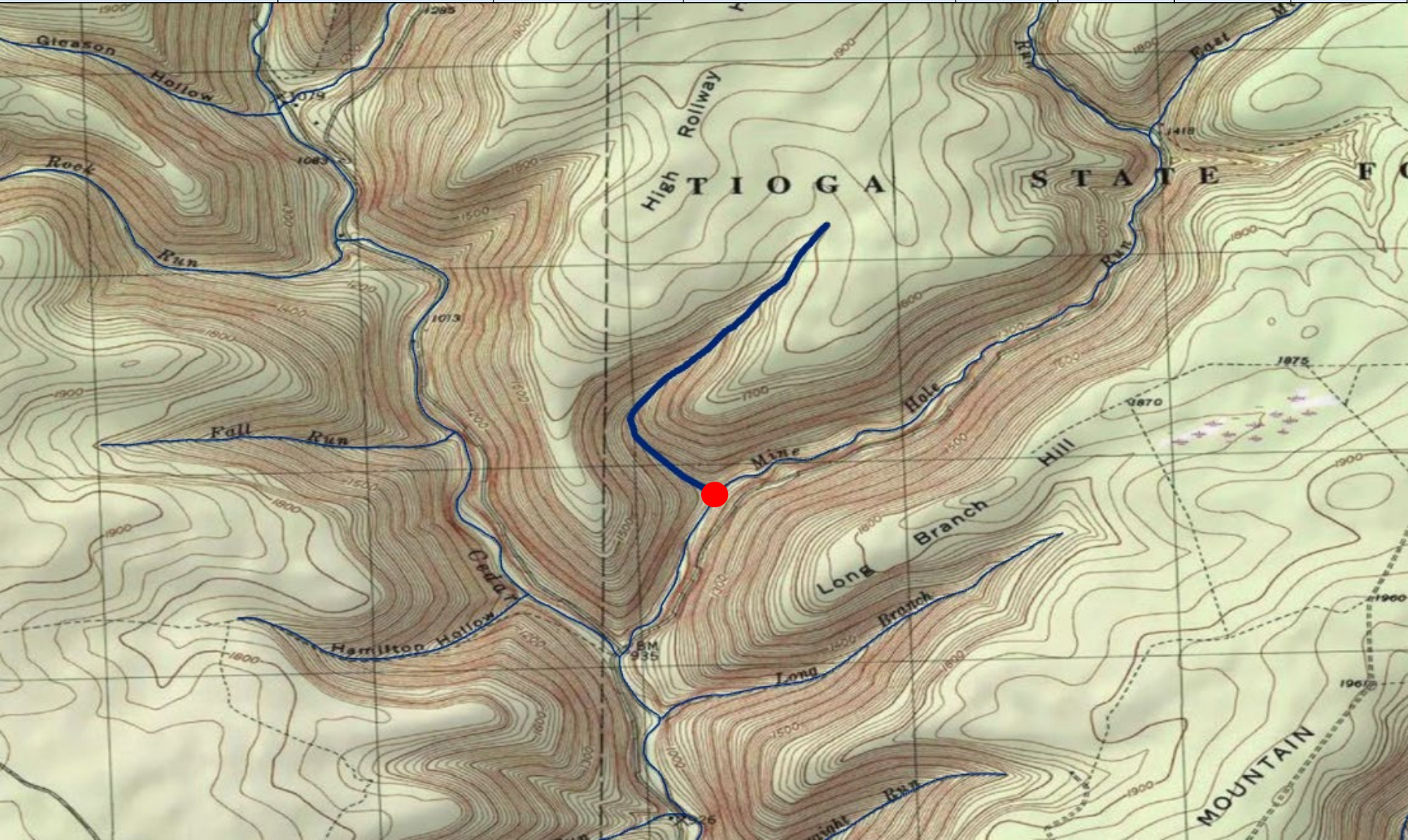
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Somerset	UNT to Quemahoning Creek (RM 0.48)	Quemahoning Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.49	Brown	21	2-3



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Somerset	UNT to South Fork Bens Creek (RM 9.27)	South Fork Bens Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	13	2-3



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Tioga	UNT to Mine Hole Run (RM 0.55)	Mine Hole Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook Brown	11 7	2-7 5-7



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Tioga	UNT to Slide Island Draft (RM 2.39)	Slide Island Draft	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook Brown	89 8	1-6 4-6



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile 	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Tioga	UNT to West Mill Creek (RM 1.60)	West Mill Creek	Headwaters to mouth	0.00	Brook	3	2-8



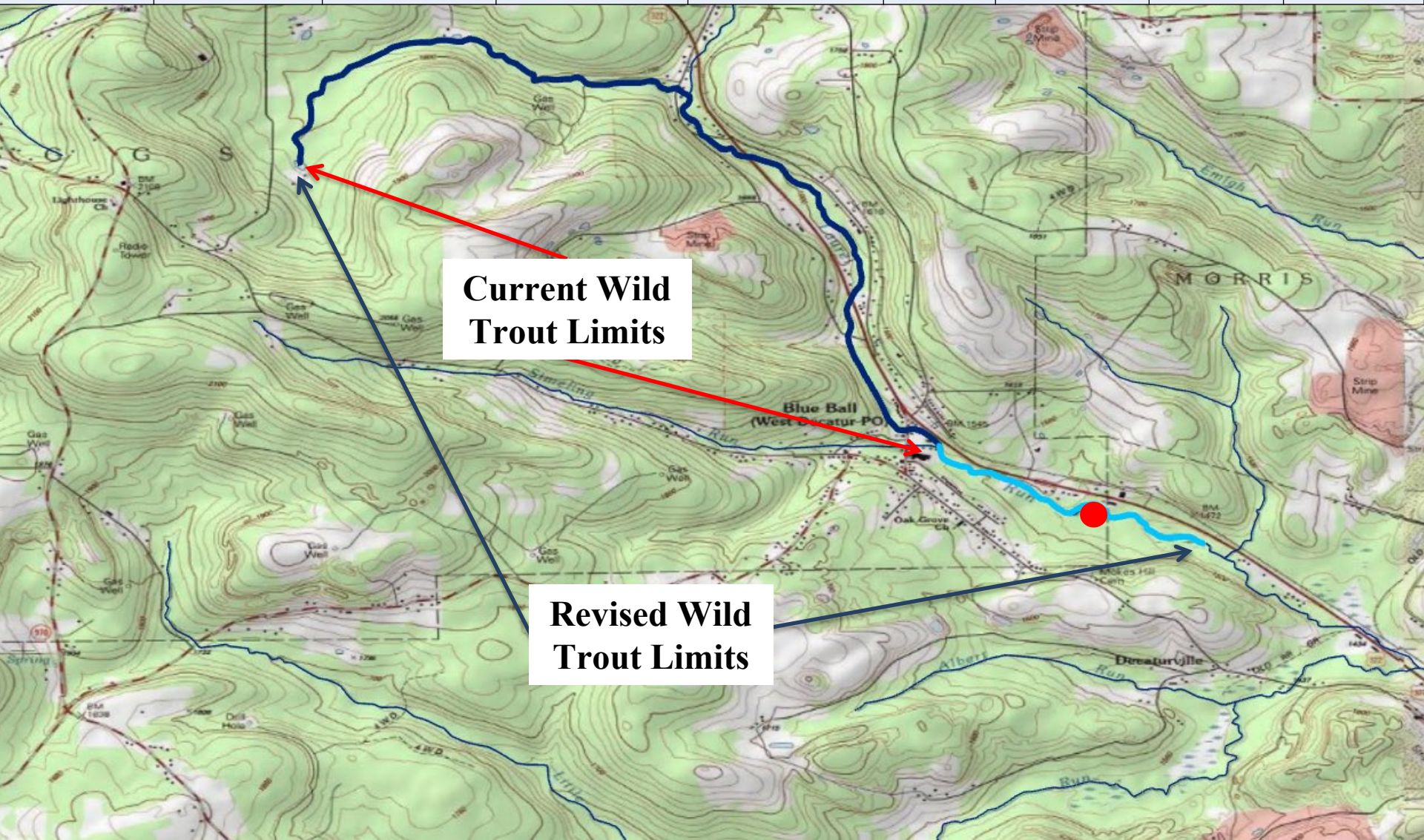
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Westmoreland	UNT to Tubmill Reservoir (RM 8.91)	Tubmill Reservoir	Headwaters to mouth	0.05	Brook	4	5-9



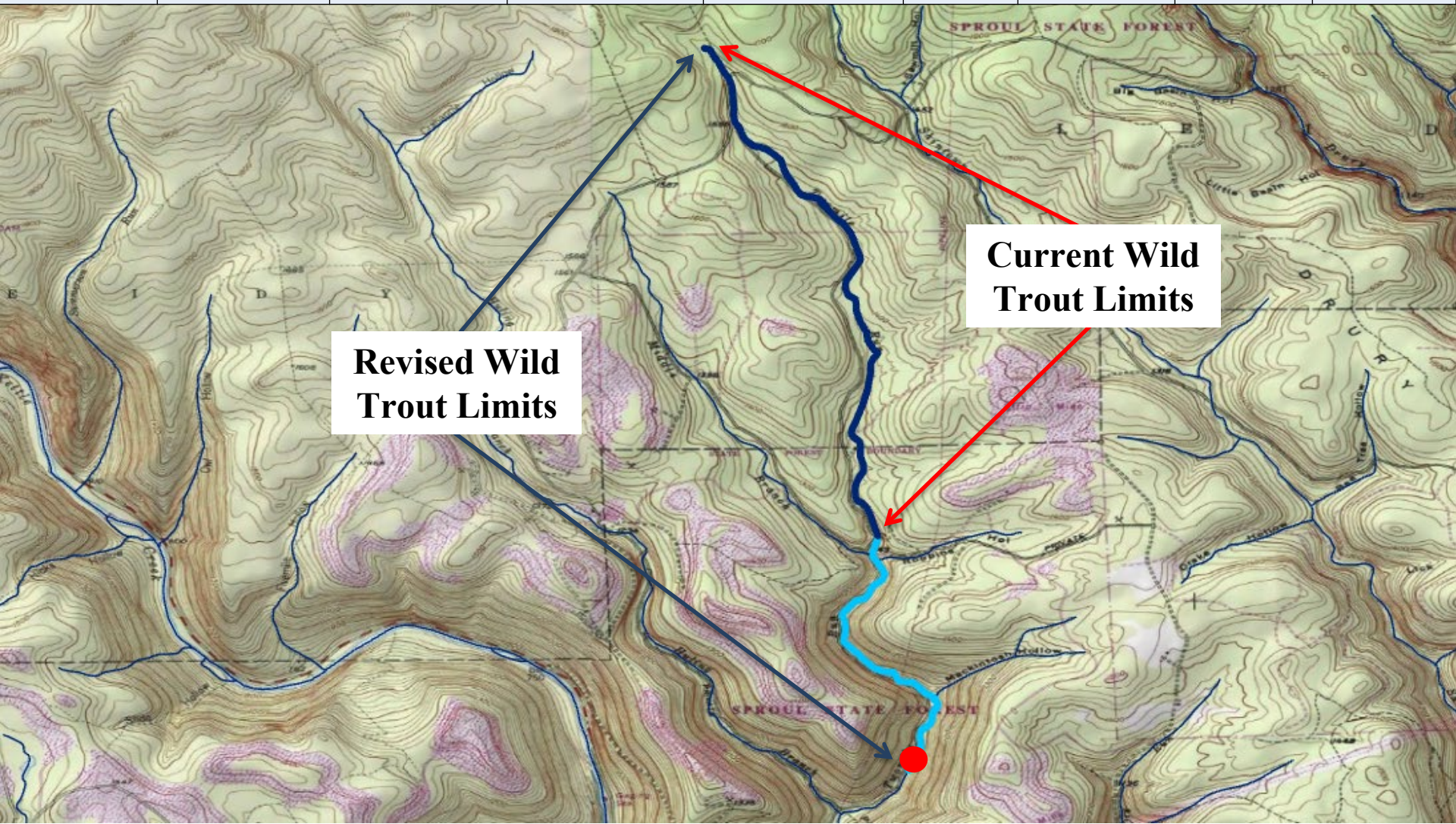
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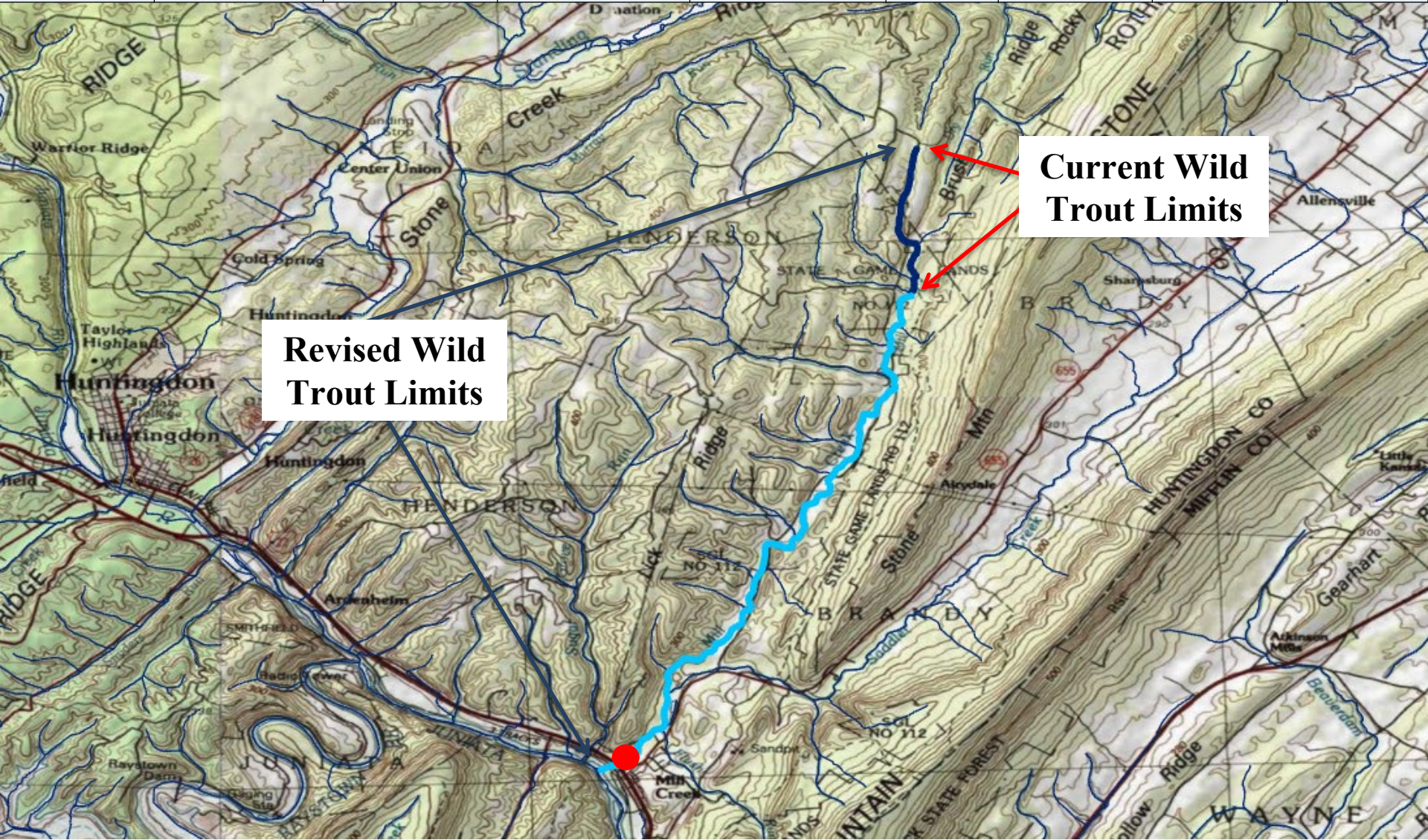
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Clearfield	Laurel Run	Moshannon Creek	Headwaters to Simeling Run	Headwater to AMD Seep at RM 2.62	3.00	Brook	63	2-12



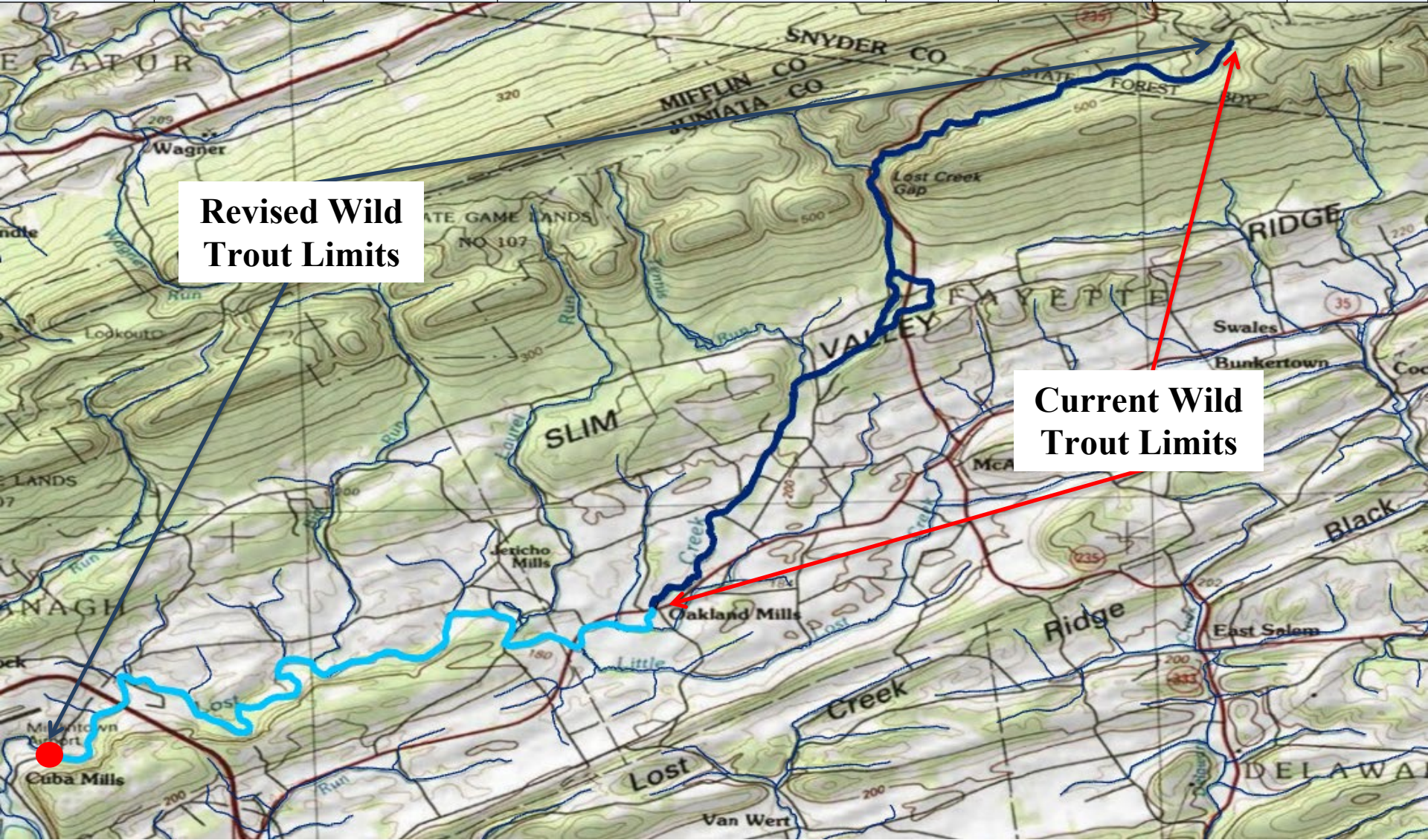
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Clinton	Twomile Run	Kettle Creek	Headwaters to 100 m upstream of confluence with Middle Branch Twomile Run	Headwaters to AMD discharge at RM 0.62	0.62	Brook	16	3-7



County of Mouth	Stream Name	Tributary To	Current Wild Trout Limits	Revised Wild Trout Limits	Site River-mile ●	Species	Catch	Length (inches)
Huntingdon	Mill Creek	Juniata River	Headwaters to Big Hollow Run	Headwaters to mouth	0.24	Brown	28	3-13



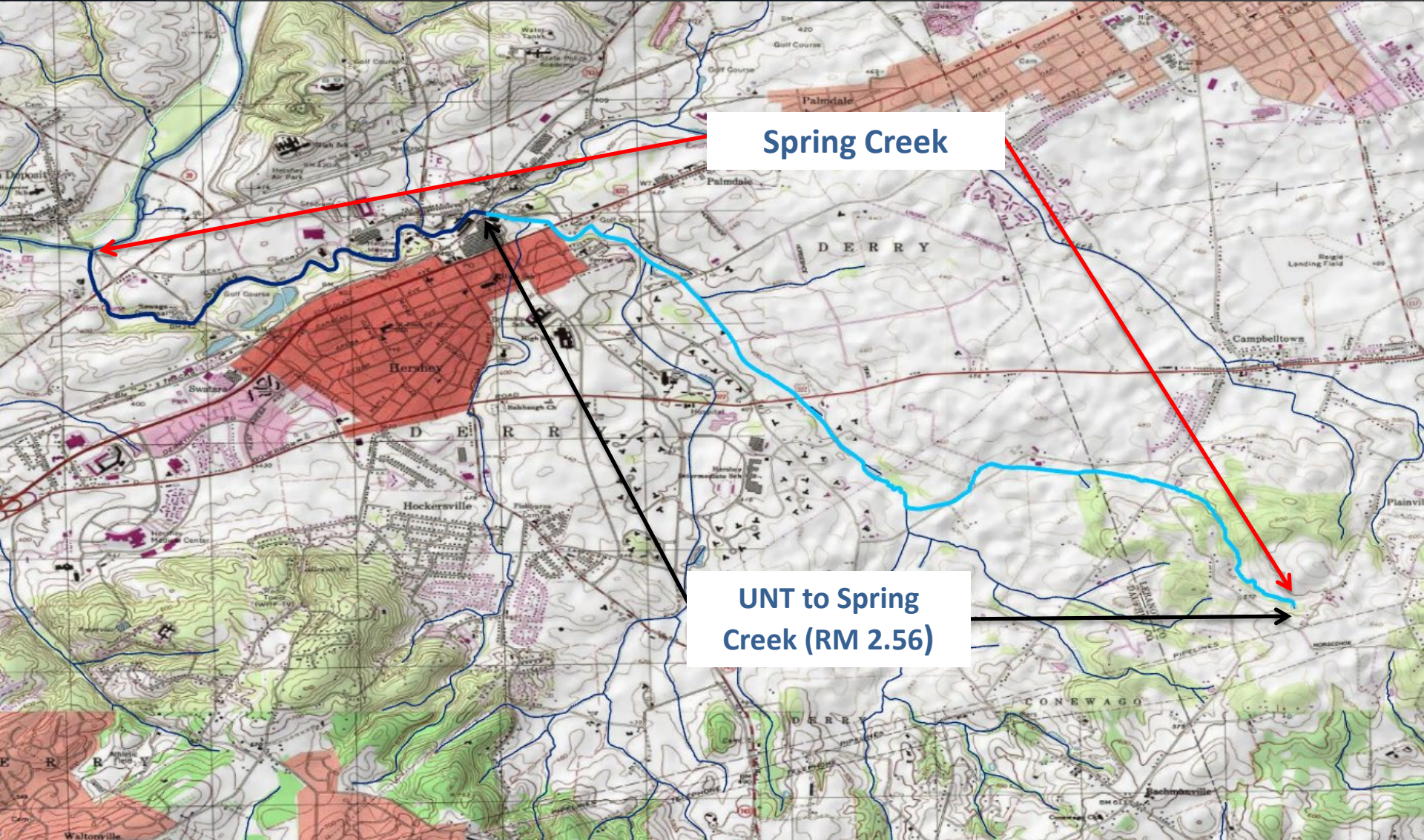
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Juniata	Lost Creek	Juniata River	Headwaters to SR0035 Bridge	Headwaters to Cuba Mills Road bridge	1.05	Brown	6	8-12



Wild Trout Amendments

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Current Sectioning Strategy			Proposed Sectioning Strategy		
County	Stream Name	Limits	County	Stream Name	Limits
Dauphin	UNT to Spring Creek (RM 2.56)	Headwaters to mouth	Dauphin	Spring Creek	Headwaters to mouth



NOTICES**FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION****Proposed Changes to List of Wild Trout Streams; July 2026**

**[56 Pa.B. 2942]
[Saturday, May 16, 2026]**

Under 58 Pa. Code § 57.11 (relating to listing of wild trout streams), it is the policy of the Fish and Boat Commission (Commission) to accurately identify and classify stream sections supporting naturally reproducing populations of trout as wild trout streams. The Commission's Fisheries Management Division maintains the list of wild trout streams. The Executive Director, with the approval of the Commission, will from time-to-time publish the list of wild trout streams in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. The listing of a stream section as a wild trout stream is a biological designation that does not determine how it is managed. The Commission relies upon many factors in determining the appropriate management of streams.

At the next Commission meeting on July 27, 2026, the Commission will consider changes to its list of wild trout streams. Specifically, the Commission will consider the addition of the following streams or portions of streams to the list:

County of Mouth	Stream Name	Section Limits	Tributary to	Mouth Lat/Lon
Bedford	Unnamed tributary (UNT) to Dunning Creek (River Mile (RM) 20.94)	Headwaters to Mouth	Dunning Creek	40.134295 78.630076
Bedford	UNT to Sugar Camp Run (RM 0.83)	Headwaters to Mouth	Sugar Camp Run	40.231278 78.257913
Bedford	UNT to Yellow Creek (RM 14.81)	Headwaters to Mouth	Yellow Creek	40.215026 78.375341
Cambria	Elk Creek	Headwaters to Mouth	North Branch Blacklick Creek	40.527778 78.889722
Cambria	UNT to Chest Creek (RM 35.97)	Headwaters to Mouth	Chest Creek	40.554782 78.669139
Centre	UNT (RM 0.70) to UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	41.041370 77.942140
Centre	UNT to North Fork Beech Creek (RM 4.34)	Headwaters to Mouth	North Fork Beech Creek	41.050570 77.940240
Centre	UNT to Spring Creek (RM 20.32)	Headwaters to Mouth	Spring Creek	40.777044 77.789114
Clearfield	Little Laurel Run	Headwaters to UNT to Little Laurel Run (RM 3.11)	Laurel Run	40.915516 78.248825
Clearfield	UNT to Beaver Run (RM 4.57)	Headwaters to Mouth	Beaver Run	40.735368 78.762110

Clinton	Huling Branch	Headwaters to acid mine drainage discharge at RM 1.83	Twomile Run	41.318662 77.857592
Clinton	Middle Branch Twomile Run	Headwaters to Mouth	Twomile Run	41.336389 77.855556
Clinton	UNT (RM 0.34) to UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	41.280000 77.578284
Clinton	UNT (RM 0.37) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	41.211588 77.456014
Clinton	UNT (RM 0.76) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	41.216935 77.453345
Clinton	UNT (RM 1.13) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	41.222047 77.454512
Clinton	UNT (RM 2.47) to UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to East Branch Queens Run (RM 2.39)	41.236676 77.443892
Clinton	UNT to Hunter Hollow (RM 0.60)	Headwaters to Mouth	Hunter Hollow	41.303354 77.549938
Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 0.89)	Headwaters to Mouth	Rattlesnake Run	41.275528 77.580068
Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 3.77)	Headwaters to Mouth	Rattlesnake Run	41.302923 77.559590
Clinton	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 4.71)	Headwaters to Mouth	Rattlesnake Run	41.315998 77.557966
Clinton	UNT to West Branch Big Run (RM 1.86)	Headwaters to Mouth	West Branch Big Run	41.147450 77.780290
Elk	UNT to Crooked Creek (RM 2.04)	Headwaters to Mouth	Crooked Creek	41.522465 78.587835
Elk	UNT to Crooked Creek (RM 3.09)	Headwaters to Mouth	Crooked Creek	41.513030 78.573370
Elk	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 25.21)	Headwaters to Mouth	Little Toby Creek	41.318031 78.640206
Elk	UNT to Long Branch (RM 0.96)	Headwaters to Mouth	Long Branch	41.523551 78.564311
Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 2.72)	Headwaters to Mouth	Maxwell Run	41.357362 78.914404
Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 2.93)	Headwaters to Mouth	Maxwell Run	41.355129 78.912095
Elk	UNT to Maxwell Run (RM 4.36)	Headwaters to Mouth	Maxwell Run	41.340070 78.903130
Indiana	UNT to Two Lick Creek (RM 11.99)	Headwaters to Mouth	Two Lick Creek	40.591369 79.138279
Jefferson	Swede Run	Headwaters to Mouth	Lucas Run	41.280928 78.916344

Jefferson	UNT to Keys Run (RM 0.69)	Headwaters to Mouth	Keys Run	41.176324 78.917394
Jefferson	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 14.45)	Headwaters to Mouth	Little Toby Creek	41.243010 78.757206
Jefferson	UNT to Little Toby Creek (RM 15.98)	Headwaters to Mouth	Little Toby Creek	41.251659 78.739773
Jefferson	UNT to McEwen Run (RM 0.35)	Headwaters to Mouth	McEwen Run	41.213403 78.773964
Jefferson	UNT to McEwen Run (RM 1.71)	Headwaters to Mouth	McEwen Run	41.210406 78.751859
Jefferson	UNT to Rattlesnake Creek (RM 0.45)	Headwaters to Mouth	Rattlesnake Creek	41.232167 78.780933
Jefferson	UNT to Rattlesnake Run (RM 3.19)	Headwaters to Mouth	Rattlesnake Run	41.208069 78.815594
Jefferson	Williams Run	Headwaters to Mouth	North Fork Redbank Creek	41.318562 78.900057
Lycoming	UNT (RM 1.22) to UNT to White Deer Hole Creek (RM 16.50)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT to White Deer Hole Creek (RM 16.50)	41.087040 77.125000
Lycoming	UNT to Callahan Run (RM 0.92)	Headwaters to Mouth	Callahan Run	41.448976 77.534800
Lycoming	UNT to Gamble Run (RM 2.74)	Headwaters to Mouth	Gamble Run	41.261702 77.370517
McKean	Donley Fork	Headwaters to Mouth	Robbins Brook	41.732605 78.442613
McKean	Rocky Fork	Headwaters to Mouth	Robbins Brook	41.729952 78.451596
McKean	UNT (RM 0.50) to UNT to East Branch Potato Creek (RM 2.37)	Headwaters to Mouth	UNT To East Branch Potato Creek (RM 2.37)	41.649198 78.323894
McKean	UNT to Hamlin Run (RM 1.70)	Headwaters to Mouth	Hamlin Run	41.676322 78.323444
McKean	UNT to Robbins Brook (RM 1.54)	Headwaters to Mouth	Robbins Brook	41.733782 78.416663
McKean	UNT to Robbins Brook (RM 1.96)	Headwaters to Mouth	Robbins Brook	41.733115 78.423803
Perry	Baken Creek	Headwaters to first PA-74 Bridge crossing upstream of Mouth	Sherman Creek	40.329079 77.284459
Somerset	Card Machine Run	Headwaters to Mouth	Beaverdam Creek	40.170891 79.081963
Somerset	UNT to Quemahoning Creek (RM 0.48)	Headwaters to Mouth	Quemahoning Creek	40.192280 78.939079
Somerset	UNT to South Fork Bens Creek (RM 9.27)	Headwaters to Mouth	South Fork Bens Creek	40.234430 79.066413
Tioga	UNT to Mine Hole Run (RM 0.55)	Headwaters to Mouth	Mine Hole Run	41.561897 77.454674
Tioga	UNT to Slide Island Draft (RM 2.39)	Headwaters to Mouth	Slide Island Draft	41.632950 77.493814

Tioga	UNT to West Mill Creek (RM 1.60)	Headwaters to Mouth	West Mill Creek	41.587136 76.969811
Westmoreland	UNT to Tubmill Reservoir (RM 8.91)	Headwaters to Mouth	Tubmill Reservoir	40.327198 79.085010

The Commission also will consider the following revisions to the section limits of streams on the list:

County of Mouth	Stream Name	Current Limits	Revised Limits	Tributary to	Mouth Lat/Lon
Clearfield	Laurel Run	Headwaters to Simeling Run	Headwaters to acid mine drainage discharge at RM 2.62	Moshannon Creek	40.906667 78.226667
Clinton	Twomile Run	Headwaters to 100 meters upstream of confluence Middle Branch Twomile Run	Headwaters to acid mine drainage discharge at RM 0.62	Kettle Creek	41.314722 77.858889
Huntingdon	Mill Creek	Headwaters to Big Hollow Run	Headwaters to Mouth	Juniata River	40.437222 77.935280
Juniata	Lost Creek	Headwaters downstream to SR0035 Bridge	Headwaters to Cuba Mills Road bridge	Juniata River	40.586111 77.408056

The Commission also will consider the following amendment to the list:

Current Sectioning Strategy					Proposed Sectioning Strategy				
County	Stream	Limits	Length (miles)	Mouth Lat/Lon	County	Stream	Limits	Length (miles)	Mouth Lat/Lon
Dauphin	UNT to Spring Creek (RM 2.56)	Headwaters to Mouth	5.51	40.289763 76.647165	Dauphin	Spring Creek	Headwaters to Hockersville Road	6.73	40.286773 76.679308

*The source of Spring Creek, from the Headwaters to the confluence with the UNT to Spring Creek at RM 2.56, was incorrectly identified as the UNT to Spring Creek (RM 2.56) when the UNT to Spring Creek (RM 2.56) was added to the wild trout streams list. The wild trout limits of Spring Creek will encompass what was formerly named the UNT to Spring Creek (RM 2.56). This change does not result in additions to the wild trout streams list and is only amending a stream name as new information becomes available.

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*. To submit a comment electronically, visit <https://www.pa.gov/agencies/fishandboat/about-us/meetings/regulatory-changes> and click on the notice of proposed wild trout stream designations for § 57.11 (relating to listing of wild trout streams).

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Other New Business

Time and Place of October 2026 Commission Meeting

Election of Commission President and Vice President

Adjournment