Class A Wild Trout
Stream Redesignations
Proposed Rulemaking
25 PA Code, Chapter 93

Environmental Quality Board
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Tom Wolf, Governor
John Quigley, Secretary
§ 93.4b. Qualifying as High Quality or Exceptional Value Waters.

(a)(2)(ii) *Class A wild trout stream qualifier.* The surface water has been designated a Class A wild trout stream by the Fish and Boat Commission following public notice and comment.
Class A Brook Trout Qualifying Criteria

a. Total wild brook trout biomass of at least 30 kg/ha (26.7 lbs/acre)
b. Total biomass of wild brook trout less than 15 centimeters (cm) or 5.9 inches in total length of at least 0.1 kg/ha (0.089 lbs/acre)
c. Wild brook trout biomass must comprise at least 75% of the total wild trout biomass
50 stream segments totaling 207 stream miles in 23 counties
Affected Drainage Lists

- **Delaware River Basin**
  - § 93.9a = PA-NY State Border to Lackawaxen River
  - § 93.9c = Lackawaxen River to Lehigh River
  - § 93.9d = Lehigh River Basin

- **Susquehanna River Basin**
  - § 93.9h = Tioga River Basin
  - § 93.9i = PA-NY State Border to Lackawanna River
  - § 93.9k = Lackawanna River to West Branch

- **Ohio River Basin**
  - § 93.9l = West Branch Susquehanna River Basin
  - § 93.9n = Juniata River Basin
  - § 93.9o = Juniata River to PA-MD State Border
  - § 93.9p = Allegheny River Basin, PA-NY State Border to Tunungwant Creek.
  - § 93.9q = Allegheny River Basin, Tunungwant Creek to Clarion River.
  - § 93.9t = Kiskiminetas River Basin.

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Monroe County

Correction: Pohopoco Creek (§93.9d)

- Dotters Creek
- Middle Creek
- Pohopoco Creek
- This short segment between Middle Creek and SR 209 currently has 2 different designated uses.
- US HWY 200
Correction: Upper Nescopeck Creek (§93.9k)
Luzerne County

Susquehanna River

Big Wapwallopen Creek

Balliet Run (near mouth)
NPDES

• Requires effluent limitations that are protective of the designated use
• Candidate streams are all currently protected at their existing use (i.e. HQ-CWF), therefore no impact on existing treatment requirements
• New or expanding discharges may be subject to more stringent treatment requirements to meet designated and existing uses
Opportunities for Public Participation

• PFBC published notice and requested comments on the Class A designation of these streams
• Notice of intent to assess the streams
• Availability of a draft evaluation report
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