

Notice
Classification of Wild Trout Streams
Addition of Walker Run, Luzerne County

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 October 5 and 6, 2009, the Commission will consider adding Walker Run, Luzerne County, from the headwaters downstream to the mouth, to the list. Fisheries Management Area 4 surveyed Walker Run in 2006, and the Division of Environmental Services re-surveyed Walker Run in 2009. Both surveys found wild brown trout, and the Division of Environmental Services' survey found both fingerlings and multiple year classes.

Persons with comments, objections or suggestions concerning the classification of the stream listed may submit them in writing to 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 by completing the form at

www.fishandboat.com/regcomments. If an acknowledgment of electronic comments is not received by the sender within 2 working days, the comments should be retransmitted to ensure receipt. Electronic comments submitted in any other manner will not be accepted.

FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION:

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