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Subject: Comment received - Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Standards; Class A Stream Redesignations



Re: eComment System

The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Standards; Class A Stream Redesignations.

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Dear Environmental Quality Board:

I am writing to support the redesignation of Sherman Creek (State Game Lands, Wayne County, Pennsylvania) as a high quality water. Here are my reasons:

- 1) Head-water streams are the basis for good water quality further downstream. Philadelphia and other municipalities draw their potable waters from the Delaware River which receives water from Sherman Creek;
- 2) Sherman Creek is habitat for spawning wild trout and char of Pennsylvania and should be protected;
- 3) Sherman Creek exceeds the Class A minimum thresholds according to the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission;
- 4) Sherman Creek flows into the West Branch of the Delaware River which maintains a cold water fishery. Sherman Creek provide downstream food cycling, cold water and spawning habitat for the West Branch Delaware River;
- 5) The local economy receives millions of dollars because of fishing and tourism associated with the West Branch of the Delaware River.

Sincerely,

Wayne Poppich

No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,
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