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Patrick McDonnell
Secretary DEP
Environmental Quality Board
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Subject: Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Standards - Class A Stream Redesignations (#7-548)

Dear Secretary DEP McDonnell:

Please support this redesignation.

I am writing to support the Pennsylvania Environmental Quality Board proposal (Pennsylvania Bulletin, March 23, 2019) to re-designate 41 Class A wild trout streams to High Quality-Cold Water Fishes (HQ-CWF).

The benefits of these upgrades are numerous, and including water quality for recreation, wildlife, and drinking water. Re-designating these streams would be a step in the right protection for conservation and for all Pennsylvanians.

I applaud Pennsylvania for protecting these 41 waters, and urge the DEP to move quickly to advance additional packages of Class A streams that are still awaiting upgrade to HQ status.

Sincerely,

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