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Public Fishing Rights Maps

Eighteen Mile Creek



Eighteen Mile Creek County Park Section

Description of Fishery

Eighteen Mile Creek and its South Branch, located near Hamburg in Erie County, support an outstanding run of Lake Erie steelhead. Together these streams provide over 13 miles of angling opportunity. Steelhead can be found in the stream from mid-October into early May. There are 1.4 miles of public fishing rights easements on Eighteen Mile Creek. In addition, over two and a half miles of the main stream and the South Branch are open to the public in the Eighteen Mile Creek County Park, owned by Erie County. The main stem within the County Park is managed with a catch and release, artificial lures only regulation (South branch Eighteen Mile Creek excluded). The lower section of the creek offers good smallmouth bass angling opportunity in spring and summer.

Trout Fishing Regulations

Eighteen Mile Creek and South Branch Eighteen Mile Creek from mouth upstream to the first impassable falls (except section below): **Trout and salmon; open all year, 12 inch minimum size, daily limit 3 per person.**

Eighteen Mile Creek in Erie County Park property (S. branch excluded): **Trout and salmon; open all year, catch and release, artificial lures only.**

Check fishing regulation guide for other Great Lakes tributary regulations that may apply.

Primary Fish Species

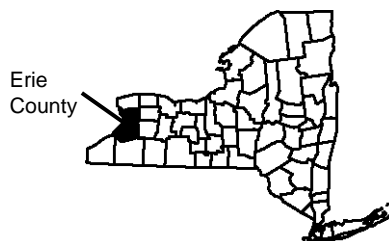
Rainbow Trout



Brown Trout



Location



About Public Fishing Rights

Public Fishing Rights (PFR's) are permanent easements purchased by the NYSDEC from willing landowners, giving anglers the right to fish and walk along the bank (usually a 33' strip on one or both banks of the stream). This right is for the purpose of fishing only and no other purpose. Treat the land with respect to insure the continuation of this right and privilege. Fishing privileges may be available on some other private lands with permission of the land owner. Courtesy toward the land-owner and respect for their property will insure their continued use.

These generalized location maps are intended to aid anglers in finding PFR segments and are not survey quality. Width of displayed PFR may be wider than reality to make it more visible on the maps. Please look for this PFR sign to ensure that you are in the right location and have legal access to the stream bank.



For more information on this creek or if you believe PFR marked areas on these maps are incorrect or missing PFR signs, please call the Region 9 Fisheries office: (716) 372-0645.

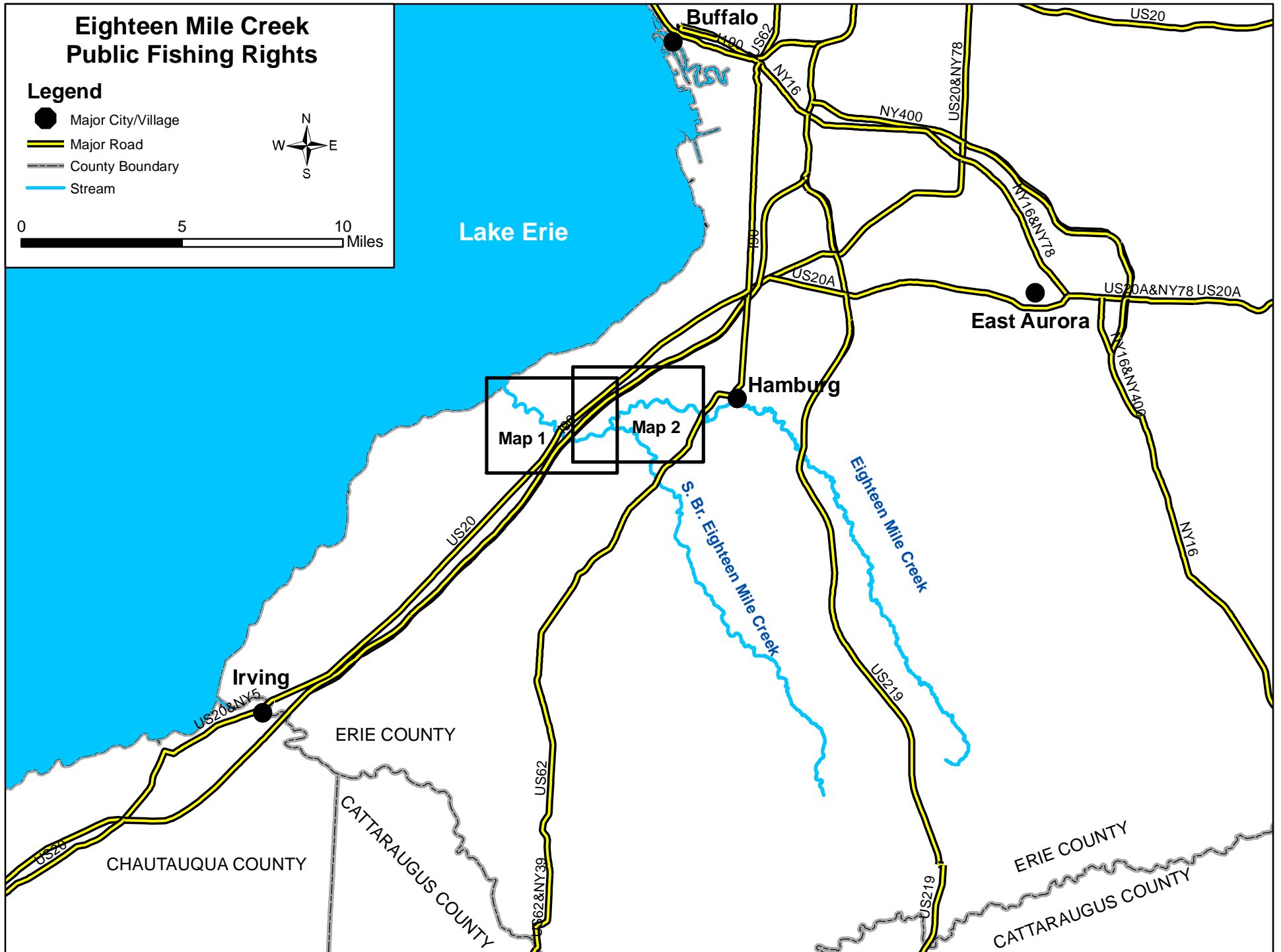
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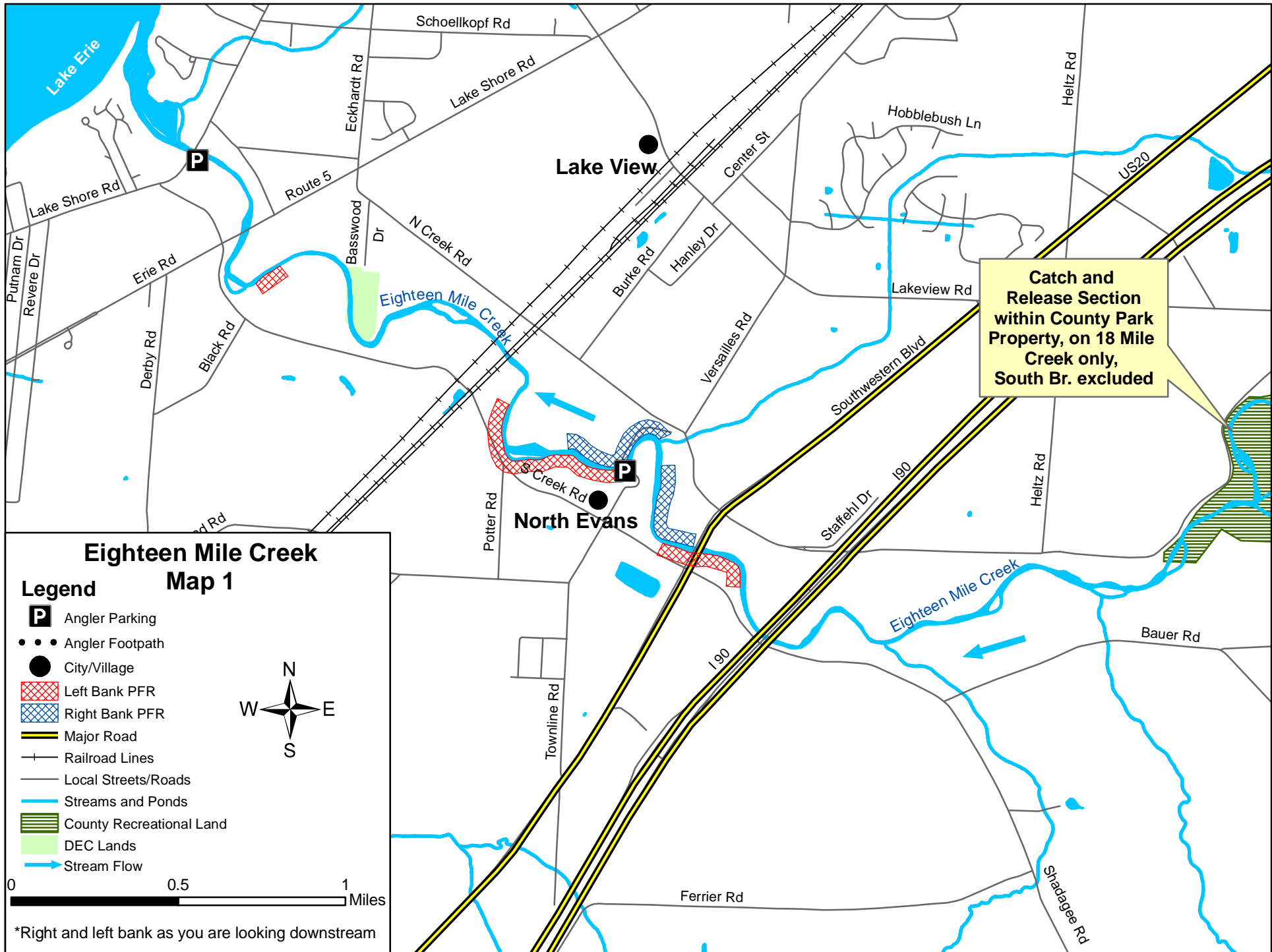
Legend

- Major City/Village
- Major Road
- County Boundary
- Stream



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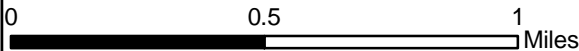




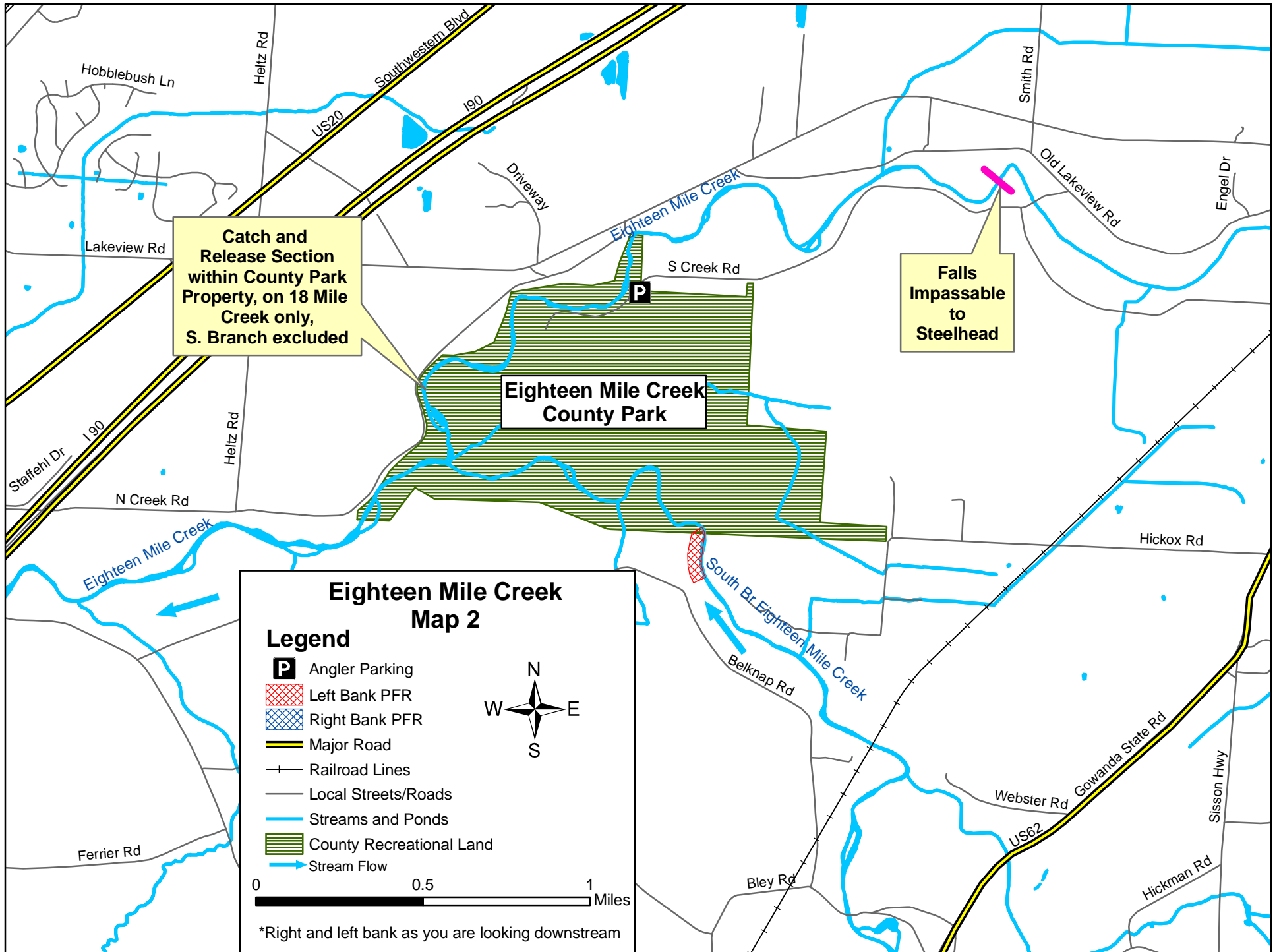
Eighteen Mile Creek Map 1

Legend

- Angler Parking
- Angler Footpath
- City/Village
- Left Bank PFR
- Right Bank PFR
- Major Road
- Railroad Lines
- Local Streets/Roads
- Streams and Ponds
- County Recreational Land
- DEC Lands
- Stream Flow



*Right and left bank as you are looking downstream











Catch and Release Section within County Park Property, on 18 Mile Creek only, S. Branch excluded

Falls Impassable to Steelhead

Eighteen Mile Creek County Park

Eighteen Mile Creek Map 2

Legend

- P** Angler Parking
-  Left Bank PFR
-  Right Bank PFR
-  Major Road
-  Railroad Lines
-  Local Streets/Roads
-  Streams and Ponds
-  County Recreational Land
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