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Public Fishing Rights Maps

Mansfield & S. Branch Cattaraugus Creeks



Mansfield Creek

Description of Fishery

Mansfield Creek originates in the town of Ellicottville in north central Cattaraugus County. It flows westerly and joins the South Branch of Cattaraugus Creek. There are 6.3 miles of public fishing rights easements on Mansfield Creek. Each spring, the lower 2.5 miles of Mansfield Creek are stocked with 700 yearling brown trout and 100 two-year-old brown trout. Above the stocked section, the stream has a healthy population of wild brown trout. Wild rainbow trout were introduced to the stream and are successfully reproducing. Recent DEC surveys estimate the population of adult wild brown trout to be 180 fish per stream mile and the population of adult wild rainbow trout to be 291 fish per stream mile.

The South Branch of Cattaraugus Creek is stocked each spring with 1,200 brown trout, from East Otto upstream 4.5 miles. Spring Run, a small tributary of Mansfield Creek holds some wild brown trout. A major tributary of Mansfield Creek, Goodell Creek provides fishing for wild brown and rainbow trout. There are 1.7 miles of public fishing rights easements on S. Branch Cattaraugus Creek, 1.0 miles on Goodell Creek and 0.5 miles on Spring Run.

Trout Fishing Regulations

Mansfield Creek: **Trout; open April 1 - October 15, any size, daily limit 5 per person with no more than 2 longer than 12 inches.**

October 16 - March 31; catch and release only, artificial lures only.

Primary Fish Species

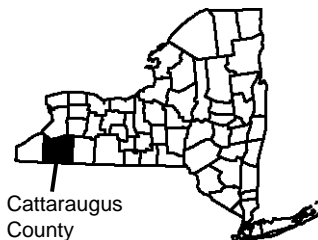
Brown Trout



Rainbow Trout



Location



Cattaraugus County

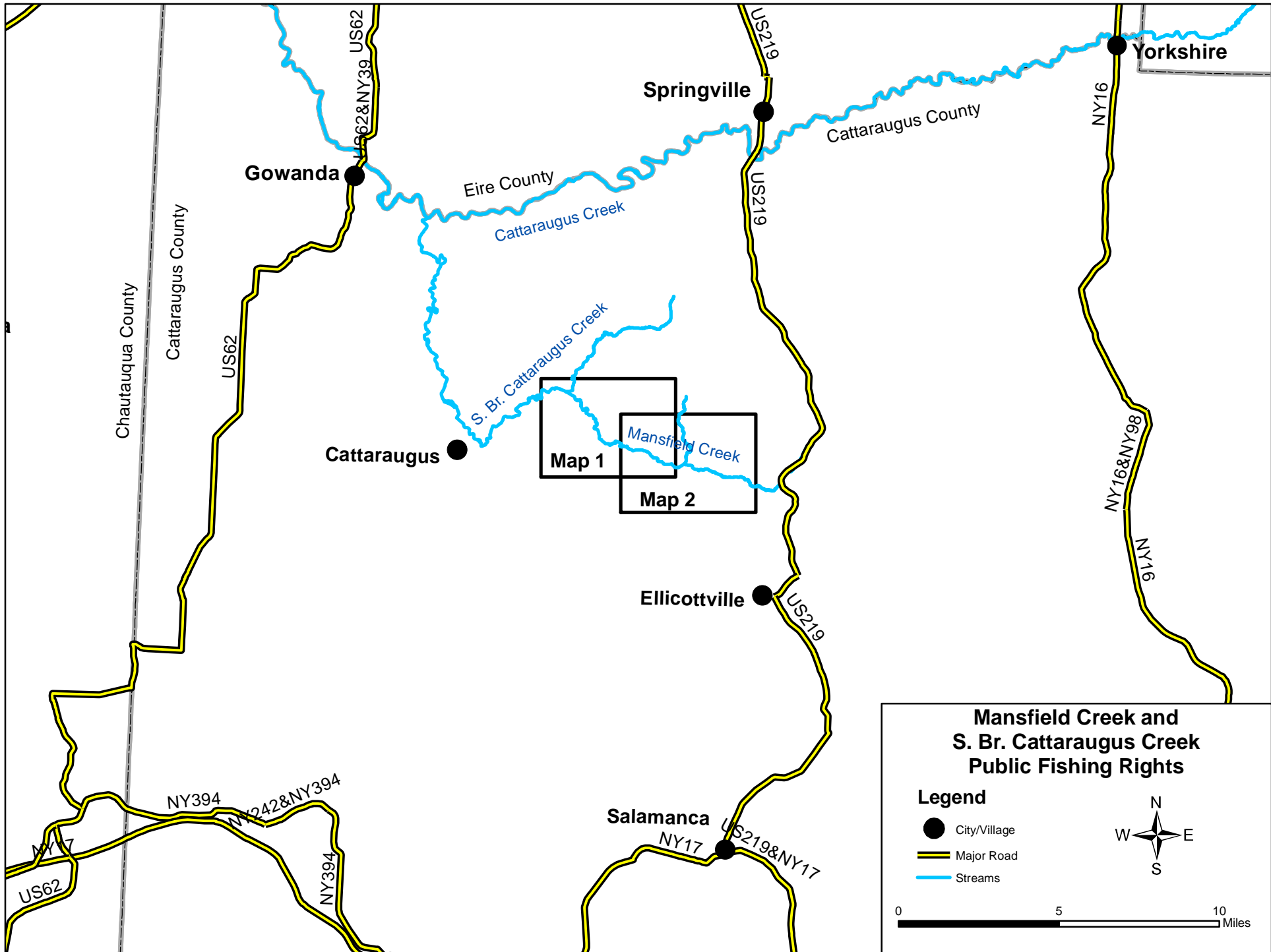
About Public Fishing Rights

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.



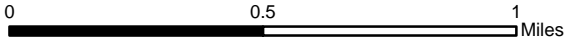
For more information on this creek or if you believe PFR marked areas on these maps are incorrect or missing PFR signs, please call the Region 9 Fisheries office: (716) 372-0645.



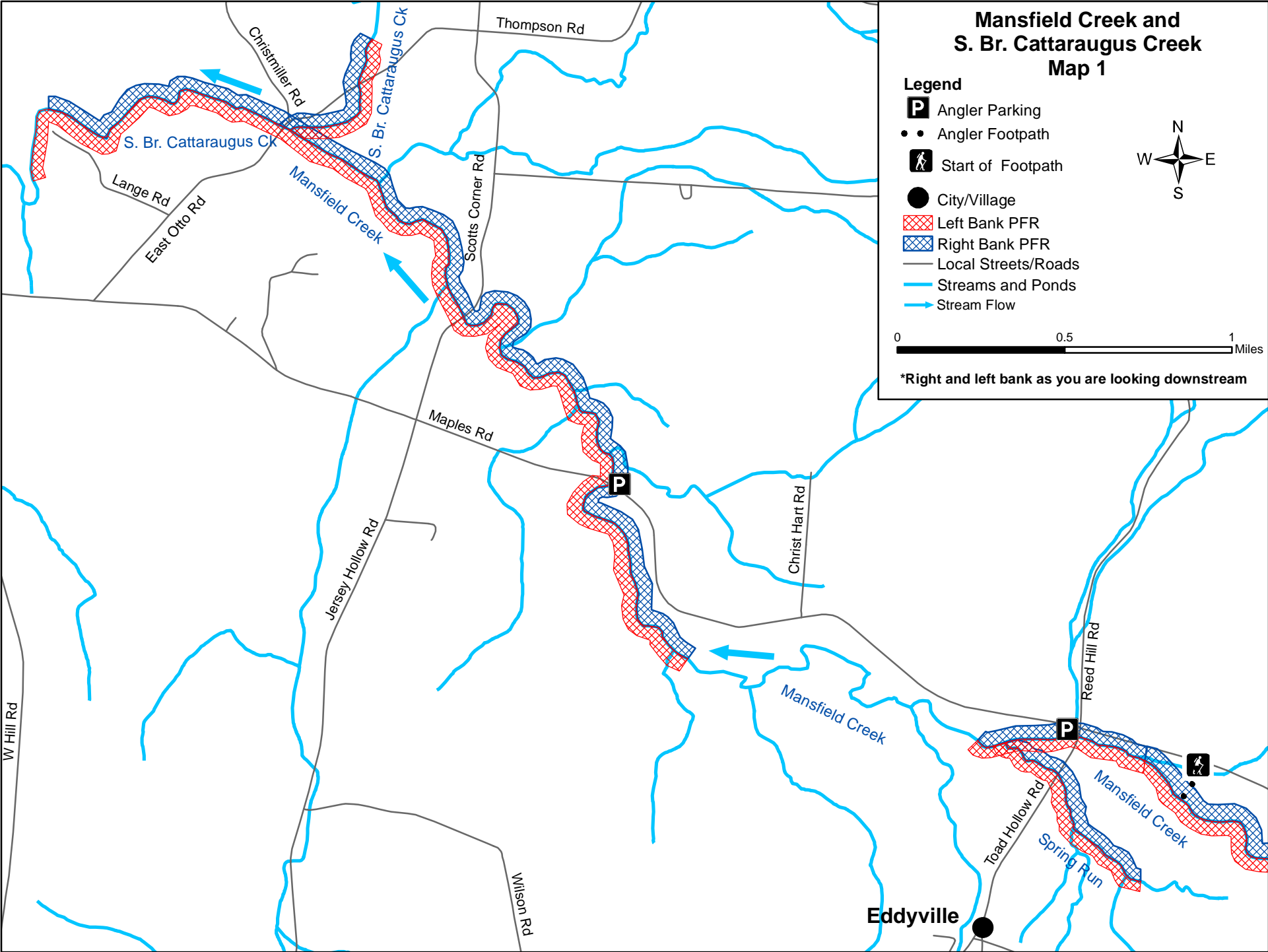
Mansfield Creek and S. Br. Cattaraugus Creek Map 1

Legend

- P** Angler Parking
- • Angler Footpath
-  Start of Footpath
- City/Village
-  Left Bank PFR
-  Right Bank PFR
- Local Streets/Roads
- Streams and Ponds
- Stream Flow



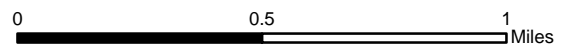
*Right and left bank as you are looking downstream



Mansfield Creek Map 2

Legend

- P** Angler Parking
- Angler Footpath
-  Start of Footpath
- City/Village
-  Left Bank PFR
-  Right Bank PFR
- Local Streets/Roads
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- ➔ Stream Flow



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