Public Fishing Rights Maps

Little Genesee Creek & Root Creek

Description of Fishery
Little Genesee Creek flows through the Village of Bolivar in southern Allegany County and eventually joins Oswayo Creek in Pennsylvania. Root Creek joins Little Genesee Creek near Bolivar. There are 3.5 miles of public fishing rights easements on these streams. There are two angler parking areas on Little Genesee Creek, one on Sanford Hollow Road and the other at the end of Liberty Street in Bolivar.

Each spring, Little Genesee Creek is stocked by the DEC with 3,700 yearling brown trout and 200 two-year-old brown trout. The creek is stocked from the Pennsylvania state line upstream 11 miles to the Village of Richburg. The stream has a small population of wild brown trout.

Root Creek is also stocked each spring with 750 yearling brown trout, from the creek mouth upstream 3.5 miles. Root Creek also holds some wild brown trout.

Trout Fishing Regulations
Little Genesee & Root Creeks: Trout; open April 1 - Oct 15, any size, daily limit 5 per person with no more than 2 longer than 12 inches.

Primary Fish Species
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.
*Right and left bank as you are looking downstream*