Public Fishing Rights Maps

Oak Orchard River & Marsh Creek

Description of Fishery
The Oak Orchard River begins at the Oak Orchard swamps in Genesee County and flows through Orleans County, emptying into Lake Ontario at Point Breeze. Marsh Creek, a prominent tributary of the Oak Orchard River, meets up with the river at an area known as “The Bridges.” Oak Orchard River and Marsh Creek offer excellent cold water fishing with opportunities to catch brown trout, rainbow trout (steelhead), chinook and coho salmon. Runs of these fish offer some of the most exciting cold water fishing in New York State. Each year the Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) stocks 21,000 rainbow trout (steelhead), 155,000 chinook salmon and 26,000 coho salmon in Oak Orchard River and 7,100 rainbow trout (steelhead) in Marsh Creek. Lake Ontario tributary regulations apply. Please consult the New York Freshwater Fishing Regulations Guide.

Fish Species Present

- Brown Trout
- Rainbow Trout
- Chinook Salmon
- Coho Salmon

Location
Orleans 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 8 Fisheries office: (585) 226-2466.
Please Note:
The property beyond these footpaths is private and requires the permission of the landowner for any activity including fishing.