Public Fishing Rights Maps

Owasco Inlet and Tributaries

Description of Fishery

Owasco Inlet is located in Tompkins and Cayuga counties near the towns of Locke and Moravia. There are 13.3 miles of Public Fishing Rights (PFR’s) along the Inlet. Owasco Inlet is a medium sized mostly open stream with the lower section having more long deep pools. Brown trout and rainbow trout are the main gamefish found in the Inlet. Owasco Inlet receives a yearly stocking of around 2,600 brown trout (8-9”) and 20,000 fingerling rainbow trout (3-5”).

Fishing Regulations

Finger Lakes Tributary Regulations Apply

Angler Diary Program

An ongoing angler diary cooperator program for Finger Lakes gamefish provides DEC fisheries staff with useful data on population trends. Volunteer anglers keep track of the hours they fish and the fish they catch. Yearly summaries are available to view at http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/27875.html. We are always looking for new cooperators, so if you are interested please contact the Region 7 office at (607) 753-3095 ext. 213 or online at reg7info@gw.dec.state.ny.us

Fish Species Present

Brown Trout

Rainbow Trout

Cayuga and Tompkins Counties

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 7 Fisheries office: (607) 753-3095 ext. 213.
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Map 1
Public Fishing Rights Areas

Legend
- Angler Parking
- Start of Footpath
- Left Bank PFR
- Right Bank PFR
- Footpath
- Major Road
- Local Streets
- Railroad Lines
- Streams and Ponds
- State Park
- DEC Lands
- Town, Village, City
- Stream Flow

*Right and Left Bank as you are looking downstream

Below the Falls Finger Lakes Regulations Apply. Above the Falls Statewide Trout stream Regulations Apply.
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Map 2
Public Fishing Rights Areas

Legend
- Angler Parking
- Start of Footpath
- Left Bank PFR
- Right Bank PFR
- Footpath
- Major Road
- Local Streets
- Railroad Lines
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Map 3
Public Fishing Rights Areas

Legend

- **P** Angler Parking
- Red Left Bank PFR
- Blue Right Bank PFR
- Black Footpath
- Yellow Major Road
- Gray Local Streets
- Black Railroad Lines
- Blue Streams and Ponds
- Green DEC Lands
- Gray Town, Village, City
- Gray County Boundary
- Blue Stream Flow

*Right and Left Bank as you are looking downstream*