Public Fishing Rights Maps

West Branch Tioughnioga River

**Description of Fishery**

The West Branch of the Tioughnioga River is located in Cortland County near the town of Homer. There are 0.9 miles of Public Fishing Rights (PFR’s) along this medium sized partially open river. Both wild and stocked brown trout, the occasional wild brook trout and smallmouth bass are found in the river. The river is stocked annually with around 4,450 one year-old brown trout (8-9”) and 550 two year-old brown trout (12-15”).

**Fishing Regulations**

Statewide Angling Regulations apply EXCEPT as noted below:

- **Trout** - Any Size, Limit 5 with no more than 2 longer than 12”, April 1 - Oct 15
- **Oct 16 - March 31**, Catch and release ONLY, Artificial lures ONLY
- **Black Bass** - 3rd Sat in June - Nov 30, Minimum size 10”, Daily limit 5
- **Dec 1 - Fri Preceding the 3rd Sat. in June**, Catch and release ONLY, Artificial lures ONLY

**Fish Species Present**

- Brown Trout
- Brook Trout
- Smallmouth Bass

**Map Location**

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

Legend
- Town, Village, City
- Major Road
- County Boundary
- Waterbody

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Public Fishing Rights Areas

Legend
- P Angler Parking
- Red Left Bank PFR
- Blue Right Bank PFR
- Footpath
- Yellow Major Road
- Gray Local Streets
- Dashed Railroad Lines
- Streams and Ponds
- White DEC Lands
- Gray Town, Village, City
- Blue Stream Flow

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