Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek Stream Classification Proposal, Iowa County, Wisconsin

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Approved by David Rowe, Fitchburg Fish Team Supervisor and Tim Simonson, South District Fisheries Supervisor

Trout Stream Classification Checklist (revised 2/2016)

(This completed checklist should accompany any trout stream classification changes. Check the items as appropriate and attach comments if desired.)

Stream	name: <u>Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valle</u>	<u> </u>		
County	r: <u>lowa</u> WBIC: <u>1237700</u>			
-	rtion of stream to consider for classification ru am to the headwaters.	ins upstream fron	n Spring Valley C	reek
•	am point coordinates: <u>43.06753 -90.20826</u> tream point coordinates: <u>43.08685 -90.238</u>	221		
DOWNS	tream point coordinates. 43.08083 -30.238	IJ I		
Classific	cation proposed <u>Class 1</u>			
<u>X</u>	Fish survey (including relative abundance, le habitat survey completed on water to be class (office location) **see attached report			
X	Fish team supervisor and district fisheries su Date8/18/20	pervisor have app	proved the classit	ication.
X	Fish Biologist has consulted with the following	ng staff in their of	fice or district	
X	···	Date <u>08/20/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No
X				EGRANNESE
Χ	Water Management Specialist: <u>Jeff Schure</u>		Concerns Yes	1259700000004
Χ		Date <u>08/20/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No
_X	Public notice published in local newspaper o	r other media. Da	ate: <u>8/27/2020</u>	
_X	Notice sent to all clerks of the county, town, located. Date <u>8/20/20</u>	city, or village in v	which the strean	n is
X	Notice sent to legislators in the affected dist	ricts. Date: 8/20/	20	

	Notice sent to chairpersons of legislative commi esources issues. Date: 8/20/20	ittees with jurisdiction for natura				
_x 1	No hearing requested 30 days after public notice.					
	Hearing requested, held, and classification reco	mmended. Date				
Signed:	Fisheries Biologist	Date: 9/28/20				
Approve	d: Fish Team Supervisor	Date:				
	District Fisheries Supervisor	Date:				

Trout Stream Classification Public Notice

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"A Class I Trout Stream is a stream or portion thereof with a self-sustaining population of trout. Such streams contain trout spawning habitat and naturally produced fry, fingerling, and yearling in sufficient numbers to utilize the trout habitat; or contains trout with 2 or more age groups, above the age of one year, and natural reproduction and survival of wild fish in sufficient numbers to utilize the available trout habitat and to sustain the fishery without stocking."

The Department shall waive any hearing requirement on this classification unless a written request for hearing is received before September 26, 2020. Requests should be mailed to Justin Haglund, WDNR, 1500 North Johns St., Dodgeville WI, 53533.

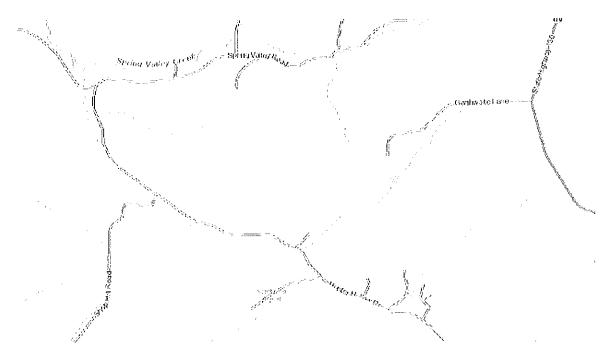


Figure 1. Spring Valley Creek proposed for reclassification.

Data Summary for Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek, Iowa County, WI

Justin Haglund, WDNR Senior Fisheries Biologist, Dodgeville

August 18, 2020

2020

Unnamed tributary to Spring Valley was surveyed in 2020 as part of our trout potential sampling schedule. Data from UNT to Spring Valley submitted for reclassification is shown below. Four sites were surveyed: one site upstream of impoundment on Fedler property, one site downstream from impoundment on Fedler property, one site downstream of Shop Hill road, and one site upstream of Spring Valley road. The entire stretch of UNT to Spring Valley is proposed to be reclassified from unclassified water to class 1 trout water.

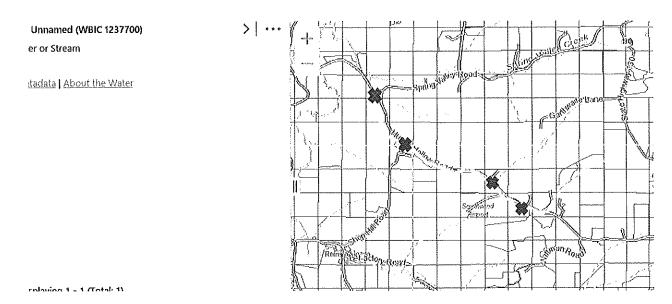


Figure 2. Map of UNT to Spring Valley with survey sites.

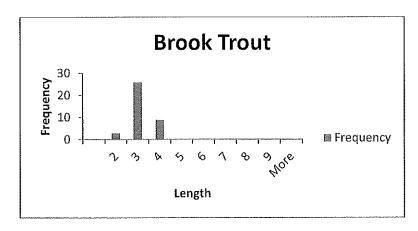


Figure 3. Data from Brook Trout collected at upper most site, upstream impoundment. Approximately 633 YOY Brook Trout/mile.

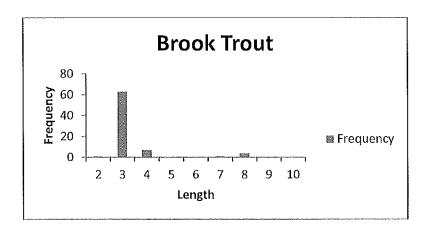


Figure 4. Data from Brook Trout collected at next site downstream below impoundment. Approximately 1183 YOY/mile and 83 adults/mile were sampled.

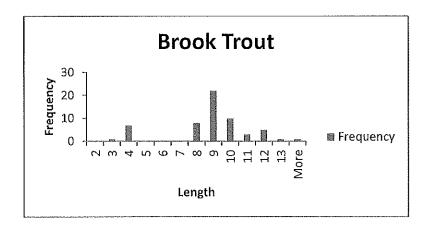


Figure 5. Data from Brook Trout collected at next site downstream below Shop Hill Road. 114 YOY/mile and 714 adults/mile were sampled.

Only one adult Brook Trout was sampled at the site upstream of Spring Valley Road at 15 adults/mile along the lower stretch.

5 Year Stocking History:

No stocking has occurred in UNT to Spring Valley in last 5 years.

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NOTICE OF RECLASSIFICATION OF 2.53 MILES OF UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO SPRING VALLEY CREEK

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on September 2, 2020

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Shelly Roh Notary Public, Iowa County, Wisconsin Commission Expires January 7, 2024

From: Rowe, David C - DNR

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 1:58 PM

To: Haglund, Justin M - DNR; Simonson, Timothy D - DNR

Subject: RE: Stream Reclasses

I approve these reclasses. Please make sure the write ups get saved in the shared folder when Tim approves them.

W:\Rowe\trout stream reclass 2020

Dave

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David Rowe

Phone: (608) 275-3282 David.rowe@wisconsin.gov

From: Haglund, Justin M - DNR < Justin M. Haglund @wisconsin.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 12:04 PM

To: Rowe, David C - DNR < David.Rowe@wisconsin.gov>

Subject: Stream Reclasses

Attached are the other stream reclasses for approval.

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Fisheries Biologist - Senior Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources 1500 N. Johns Street Dodgeville, WI 53533 Work Phone:608-341-9465 JustinM.Haglund@Wisconsin.gov





From: Simonson, Timothy D - DNR

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 3:40 PM

To: Haglund, Justin M - DNR; Rowe, David C - DNR

Subject: RE: Stream Reclasses

Justin - I'm good with all these.

Dave – If you want to sign the hard copies for me, that's fine with me, given the circumstances. Tim

From: Haglund, Justin M - DNR < Justin M. Haglund@wisconsin.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, August 18, 2020 2:38 PM

To: Simonson, Timothy D - DNR <Timothy.Simonson@wisconsin.gov>; Rowe, David C - DNR

<David.Rowe@wisconsin.gov>
Subject: FW: Stream Reclasses

Tim,

Attached are the stream reclasses that Dave approved.

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From: Haglund, Justin M - DNR

Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 10:56 AM

To: Bauman, Thomas S - DNR; Schure, Jeff J - DNR; Hilse, Matthew J - DNR; Bruhn, Camille

M - DNR; Kuber, Kimberly A - DNR

Subject: Trout Stream Reclassification

Attachments: Laxey Creek_Watershed_Reclass_Writeup.docx;

Lowery_Watershed_Reclass_Writeup.docx; Mill Creek_Watershed_Reclass_Writeup.docx;

Narveson Creek_Reclass_Writeup.docx; UNT_SpringValley_Reclass_Writeup.docx;

Willow_Creek_2020_Watershed_Report.pdf

Good Morning Everyone.

Fisheries Management will be submitting the following waters for reclassification on October 1. I have attached supporting documentation for your review.

Stream	County	current class	proposed class	Description
UNT Spring Valley Creek	Iowa	unclassed	1	whole stream
Narveson Creek	Iowa	2	unclassed	Upstream of Blackhawk Lake
Laxey Creek	Iowa	unclassed	1	confluence with UNT WBIC(929800) upstream
Lowery Creek	Iowa	2	1	whole stream
Mill Creek Group	Richland			
Mill Creek		2	1	Hwy E north of Boaz to headwaters
Ryan Hollow		2	1	whole stream
Dieter Hollow		2	1	whole stream
Coultier Hollow		2	1	whole stream
EBR Mill Creek		2	1	whole stream
Hood Hollow		2	1	whole stream
Pine Valley Creek		2	1	whole stream
Willow Creek Group	Richland			
UNT Willow Creek		1	unclassed	whole stream
Wheat Hollow Creek		2	1	whole stream

Please review and let me know if you have any concerns regarding these stream reclasses.

Camille, you only need to review for Laxey Creek.

Thanks!

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From: Haglund, Justin M - DNR

Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2020 2:19 PM

To: Sen.Marklein@legis.wi.gov; Rep.Tranel - LEGIS; Sen.Kurtz@legis.wisconsin.gov;

Rep.Novak - LEGIS; Sen.LeMahieu - LEGIS; Rep.Stafsholt - LEGIS; Rep.Kitchens - LEGIS;

Sen.Cowles - LEGIS

Cc: Ruby, Erin A - DNR; Kennedy, Sean P - DNR

Subject: Notice of Trout Stream Classification

Attachments: WDNR Laxey Creek Reclassification Proposal.docx; WDNR Lowery Creek Reclassification

Proposal.docx; WDNR Mill Creek Watershed Reclassification Proposal.docx; WDNR

Narveson Creek Reclassification Proposal.docx; WDNR UNT Spring Valley

Reclassification Proposal.docx; WDNR Willow Creek_Watershed_Reclassification

Proposal.docx

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to notify you of trout stream reclassifications in lowa and Richland Counties. The legal notices for these stream reclassifications along with maps are attached. The Iowa County streams include Narveson Creek, Lowery Creek, two Unnamed Tributaries to Lowery Creek, Laxey Creek, and Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek. The Richland County streams include Mill Creek, Ryan Hollow Creek, Dieter Hollow Creek, Coulter Hollow Creek, East Branch Mill Creek, Hood Hollow Creek, Pine Valley Creek, Unnamed Tributary to Willow Creek, and Wheat Hollow Creek.

Part of the stream reclassification process is to notify the State Senators and Assembly Representatives for the areas where the streams are located, as well as the Chairpersons of legislative committees with jurisdiction for natural resource issues which is why you are all receiving this email. This is merely a notification and there is no required action on your part.

Thank You.

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August 19, 2020

Subject: Reclassification of Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek, Iowa County

To whom it may concern:

Pursuant to NR 1.02(7)(c), Wis. Adm. Code, the Department of Natural Resources gives public notice of reclassification of 2.53 miles of unnamed tributary to Spring Valley Creek to class 1 trout water. The portion of stream to consider for reclassification runs from the confluence with Spring Valley Creek upstream to the headwaters.

This classification is based upon surveys which indicate this stream segment supports self-sustaining trout populations with multiple year classes of trout in sufficient numbers to utilize available habitat.

Current classification for this segment of Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek: <u>Unclassified</u>

Classification proposed for this segment of Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek: Trout water; Class 1

The Department shall waive any hearing requirement on this classification unless a written request for hearing is received before September 26, 2020. Requests should be mailed to Justin Haglund, WDNR, 1500 North Johns St., Dodgeville WI, 53533.

Sincerely,

Justin Haglund
Fisheries Biologist
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
1500 N. Johns Street, Dodgeville, WI 53533



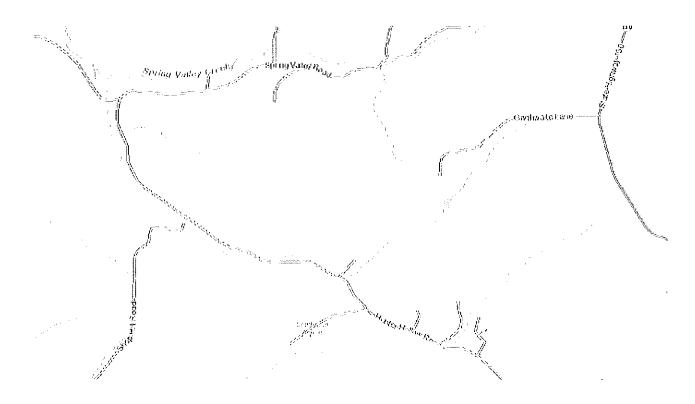


Figure 1. Unnamed Tributary to Spring Valley Creek proposed for reclassification.