## Appendix A. 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: Prarie Brook (if stream is known by another name please list both names with the more common name first) County: Green WBIC: 901500 Define the portion of the stream to be classified. Please provide both a written description and the coordinate locations of the upstream and downstream beginning and end points. The stretch of Prairie Brook proposed to be declassifed from Class III to unclassfied trout water includes the confluence with Dougherty Creek in Green County (42.72231N, -89.78814W) upstream terminating in the headwaters just west of the Prairie View Road Crossing (42.72009N, -89.74523W). This written description should reference permanent, unambiguous landmarks that would allow a person unfamiliar with the area to locate the points (e.g., dams, road crossings, stream confluences, county lines, section lines, township lines) Please provide coordinate locations in one of three formats: Longitude/Latitude (Degrees, Minutes, Seconds): 89° 41' 28.7" W , 44° 55' 14.0" N Longitude/Latitude (Decimal Degrees): -89.691332, 44.920576 WTM91 (easting and northing in meters): 544361, 494173 Upstream point coordinates: 42.72009N, -89.74523W Downstream point coordinates: 42.72231N, -89.78814W Classification proposed Unclassified Fish survey (including relative abundance, length distribution, and age structure) and habitat survey completed on water to be classified. Survey on file at Fitchburg Fish team supervisor and district fisheries supervisor have approved the classification. Date DR, TS 2018 watershed report Fish Biologist has consulted with the following staff in their office or district Permit Drafter Name\_Tom Bauman Date 9-2-20 Concerns Yes No Water Resource Specialist Name Camille Bruhn Date 9-2-20 Water Management Specialist Name Jeff Schure Date 9/15/20 Concerns Yes Xo

Drinking and Groundwater staff Name Dave Barkhahn

Date 9/8/2020 Concerns Yes 10%

<u>X</u>	Public notice published in local newspaper or other media. Date 9/10/20							
<u>X</u>	Notice sent to all clerks of the county, town, city, or village in which the stream is located.  Date 9/2/2020							
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<u>X</u>	Notice sent to legislators in the affected districts. Date 9/2/2020							
<u>X</u>	Notice sent to chairpersons of legislative committees with jurisdiction for natural resources issues. Date 9/2/2020							
<u>X</u>	No hearing requested 30 days after public notice.							
<u></u>	Hearing requested, held, and classification recommended. Date							
Signed:	Fisheries Biologist  and  Date: $10-8-20$ Date: $10/8/20$							
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	Date: District Fisheries Supervisor							

Pursuant to NR 1.02(7)(c), Wisconsin Administrative Code, the Department of Natural Resources gives public notice of the reclassification of 3.11 miles of Prairie Brook, in Green County from a Class 3 Trout water to unclassified. The segment of Prairie Brook to be unclassified is located in the Town of Adams (T3, R6E, Sects. 21, 22, 23) beginning at confluence with Dougherty Creek in Green County (42.72231N, -89.78814W) upstream terminating in the headwaters just west of the Prairie View Road Crossing (42.72009N, -89.74523W).

This classification is based upon a recent survey which indicates this portion of Prairie Brook is devoid of trout or other cold-water species and lacks adequate base flows or habitat to support a trout fishery at this time.

The Department shall waive any hearing requirement on this classification unless a written request for hearing is received October 6, 2020. Requests should be sent to:

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**Fisheries Biologist** 

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Prairie Brook has not been stocked since 2013 (stocked 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009). We surveyed two stations in 2018 detailed in the 2018 Watershed Report (<a href="https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/Fishing/Reports\_GreenSawmill2018WatershedTrout.pdf">https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/Fishing/Reports\_GreenSawmill2018WatershedTrout.pdf</a>) but did not find any cold water species (only creek chubs and sticklebacks) and observed low water velocities and low IBI and habitat scores.

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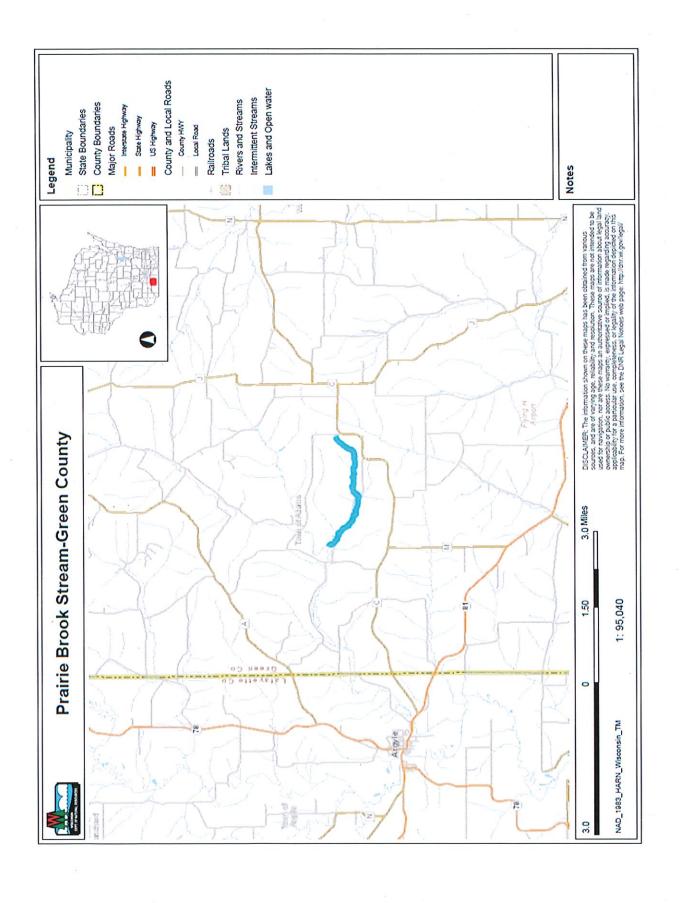
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