## **Trout Stream Classification Checklist (WBIC: 1211800)**

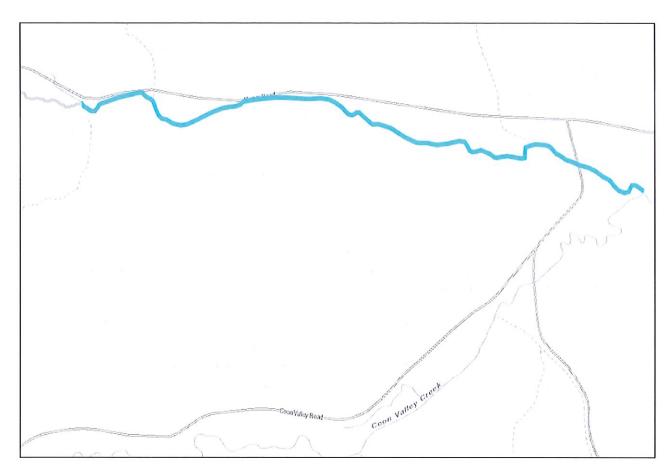
Stream name:Unnamed Tributary to Coon Valley Creek
County: Grant WBIC: 1211800
The portion of stream being considered for reclassification runs from the confluence with Coor
Valley upstream to the confluence with unnamed spring stream (WBIC 5035563). See Figure 1.
Unstroam point coordinates: 42 07540 00 50944
Upstream point coordinates: <u>43.07540 -90.59844</u>
Downstream point coordinates: 43.07290 -90.57029
Current classification natural community cold water
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Classification proposed <u>Trout water Class  </u>

This classification is based upon a survey conducted in 2019 which indicates this portion of stream supports a self-sustaining brown trout and brook trout populations with multiple year classes of trout in sufficient numbers to utilize available habitat (Figures 2 & 3). Catch per unit effort (number per mile) for brown trout was 1,871 young of the year, 571 yearlings, and 71 adults. Catch per unit effort (number per mile) for brook trout was 192 young of the year, 51 yearlings, and 71 adults. Field report is filed at the Dodgeville office and available upon request.

Figure 4 is of adult trout present in pools in the downstream areas too deep and wide to effectively sample with a backpack electrofishing unit. The only recorded stocking event was in 1997. Two hundred fifty large fingerling brook trout were stocked.

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X	Fish survey (including relative abundance, habitat survey completed on water to be cl (office location)							
X	Fish team supervisor and district fisheries supervisor have approved the classification. Date <u>08/17/2020</u>							
X	Fish Biologist has consulted with the following staff in their office or district							
<u>X</u>	Permit Drafter Name: Thomas Bauman	Date <u>08/19/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No				
Χ	Water Resource Specialist: Camille Bruhn	Date <u>08/19/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No				
_X	Water Management Specialist: <u>Jeff Schure</u>	Date <u>08/19/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No				
_X	Drinking & Groundwater: Matthew Hilse	Date <u>08/19/20</u>	Concerns Yes	No				
_X	Public notice published in local newspaper or other media. Date: 8/27/2020							
_X	Notice sent to all clerks of the county, town, city, or village in which the stream is located. Date <u>08/19/2020</u>							
_X_	Notice sent to legislators in the affected districts. Date: <u>08/19/2020</u>							
_X	Notice sent to chairpersons of legislative committees with jurisdiction for natural resources issues. Date: $08/19/2020$							
X_	No hearing requested 30 days after public notice.							
	Hearing requested, held, and classification recommended. Date							
Signed:	: Fisheries Biologist	Date: <u>// O</u>	-/- 2020					
Approv	ved: Fish Team Supervisor	Date:						
	District Fisheries Supervisor	Date:						



**Figure 1.** The portion of unnamed tributary to Coon Valley Creek proposed for reclassification (Coon Valley Creek upstream to unnamed spring stream (WBIC: 5035563).

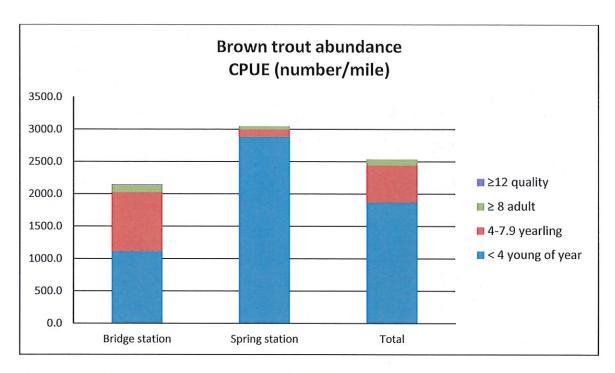
## Public noticed in Fennimore Times 8/27/2020

Pursuant to NR 1.02(7)(c), Wis. Adm. Code, the Department of Natural Resources gives public notice of the classification of 1.68 miles of an unnamed tributary (WBIC: 1211800) to Coon Valley Creek in the Town of Grove, Grant County as Class 1 trout water and declassification 0.69 miles of unnamed tributary (WBIC:3000381) in the Town of Grover, Grant County. The portion of unnamed tributary (WBIC:1211800 proposed for classification runs from Coon Valley Creek upstream to unnamed stream (WBIC:5035563). The portion of unnamed stream (WBIC:3000381) proposed for declassification runs from the Coon Valley Creek to the headwaters.

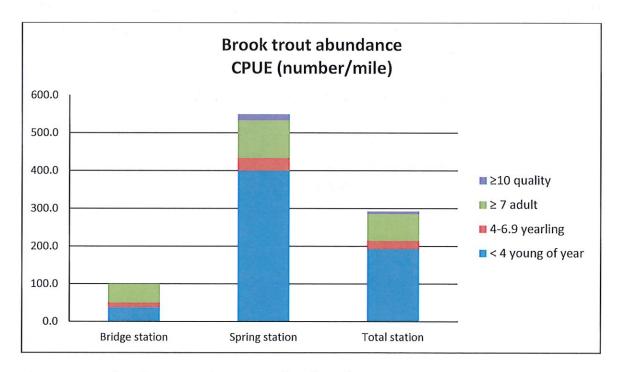
These classifications are based upon surveys which indicate unnamed stream (WBIC:1211800) support self-sustaining brown trout and brook trout populations with multiple year classes of trout in sufficient numbers to utilize available habitat. Unnamed stream (WBIC:3000381) is currently intermittent and does not support trout.

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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 Bradd Sims, WDNR, 1500 North Johns St., Dodgeville WI, 53533.



**Figure 2.** 2020 brown trout catch per unit effort (CPUE) given as number per mile for unnamed tributary (WBIC 1211800) to Coon Valley Creek. Age groups are defined as adults > 8 inches, yearlings 4 -7.9 inches, and young of the year < 4 inches.



**Figure 3.** 2020 brook trout catch per unit effort (CPUE) given as number per mile for unnamed tributary (WBIC 1211800) to Coon Valley Creek. Age groups are defined as adults > 7 inches, yearlings 4 -6.9 inches, and young of the year < 4 inches.

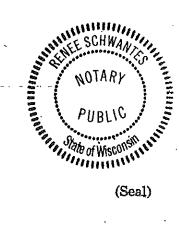


**Figure 4.** Photo of adult brook and brown trout present in unnamed tributary (WBIC 1211800) to Coon Valley Creek. Area was too deep and wide to sample with backpack electrofishing unit.

## Stocking History unnamed tributary to Coon Valley Creek (WBIC: 1211800)

Year	Species	Age class	Number stocked	Average Length	
1997 BROOK TROUT		LARGE FINGERLING	250	5.2	

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