



Southern Tier Trout

Area Trout Fishing Opportunities

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Big Flats, NY





Salmon River
(2.5 hrs)

Adirondacks

Cattaraugus Creek
(3-3.5 hrs)

**Spring Creek
Wiscoy Creek**
(2.5 hrs)

Catskills

**Delaware River
Beaverkill River**
(2 – 2.5 hrs)

**We are within 3.0 hours
of Much of the Best Trout
Fishing in the East**

North Central PA

Pine Creek
Kettle Creek
(1 – 1.5 hrs)



Poconos

Erie PA

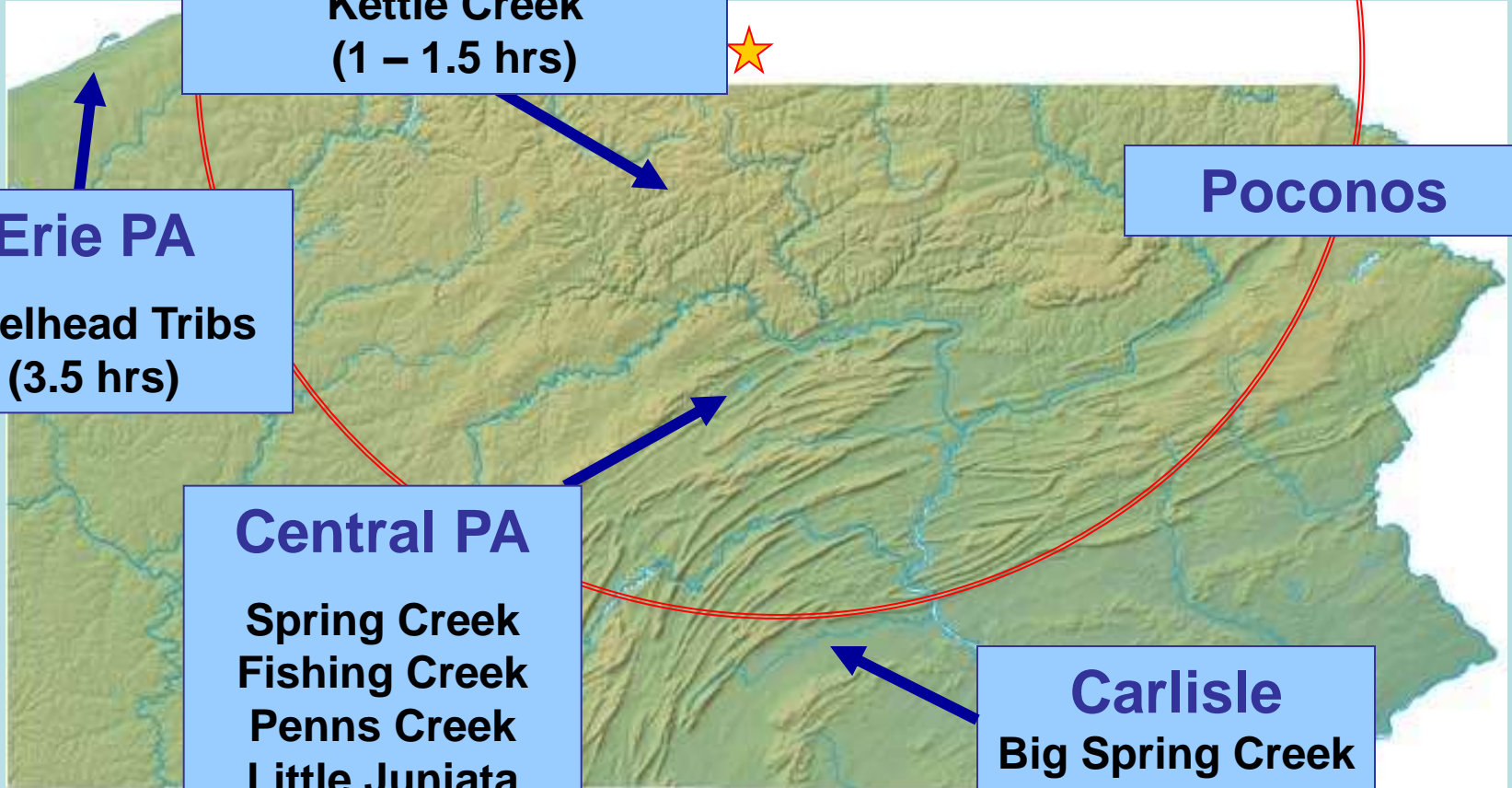
Steelhead Tribs
(3.5 hrs)

Central PA

Spring Creek
Fishing Creek
Penns Creek
Little Juniata
Creek
(2.5-3.0 hrs)

Carlisle

Big Spring Creek
Letort Creek
Yellow Breeches
(3.5 hrs)

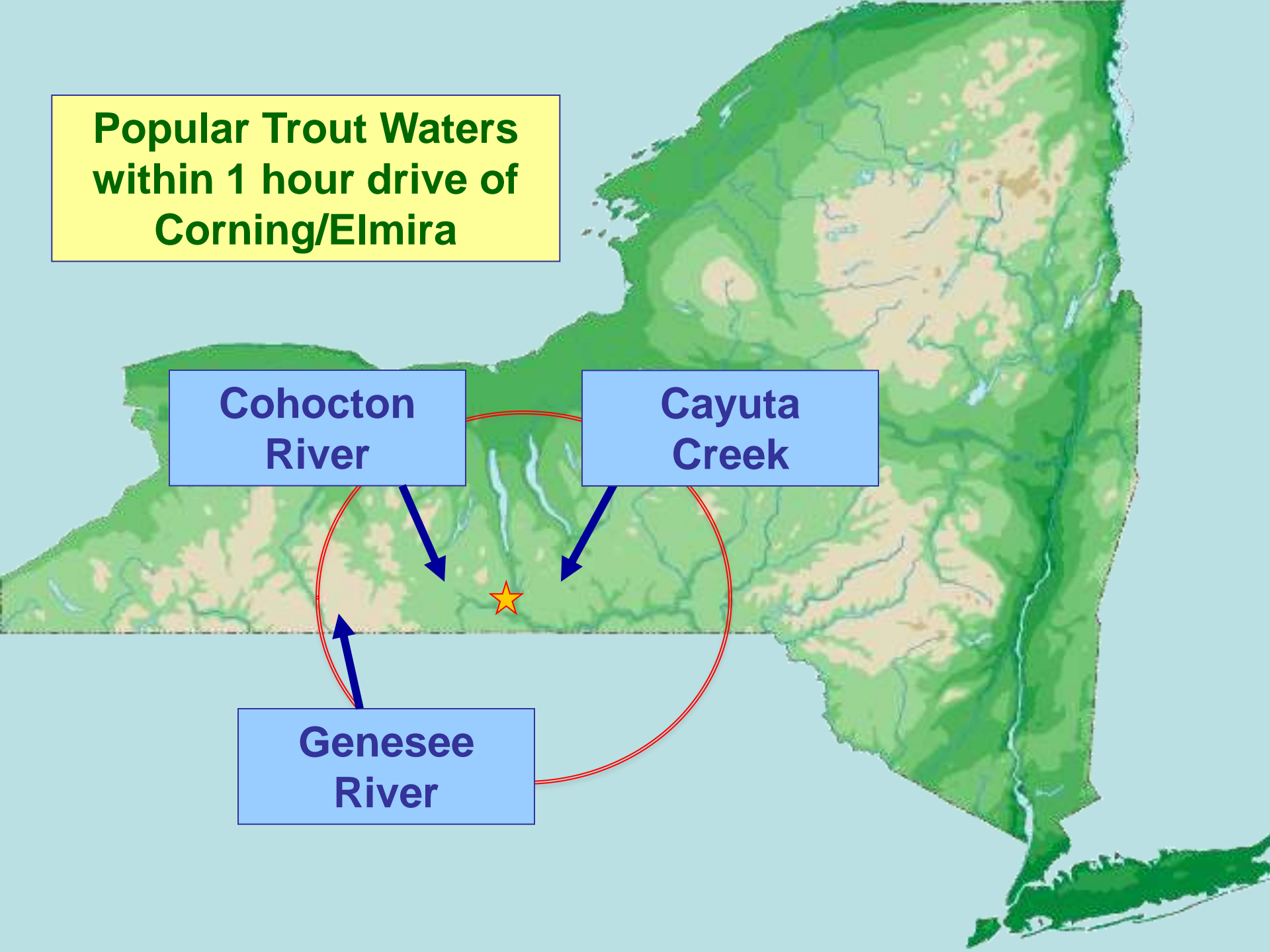


**Popular Trout Waters
within 1 hour drive of
Corning/Elmira**

**Cohocton
River**

**Cayuta
Creek**

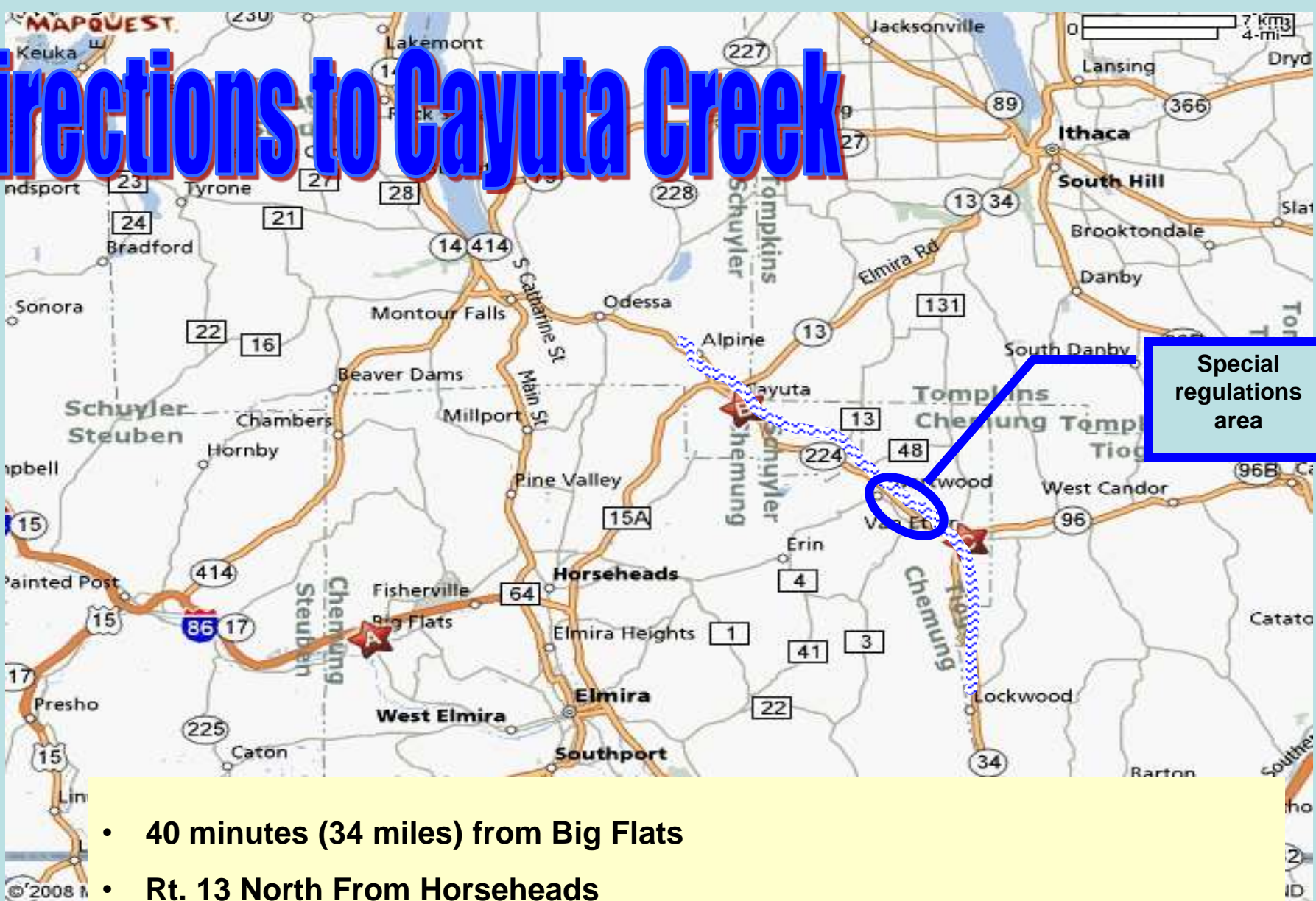
**Genesee
River**





Cayuta Creek

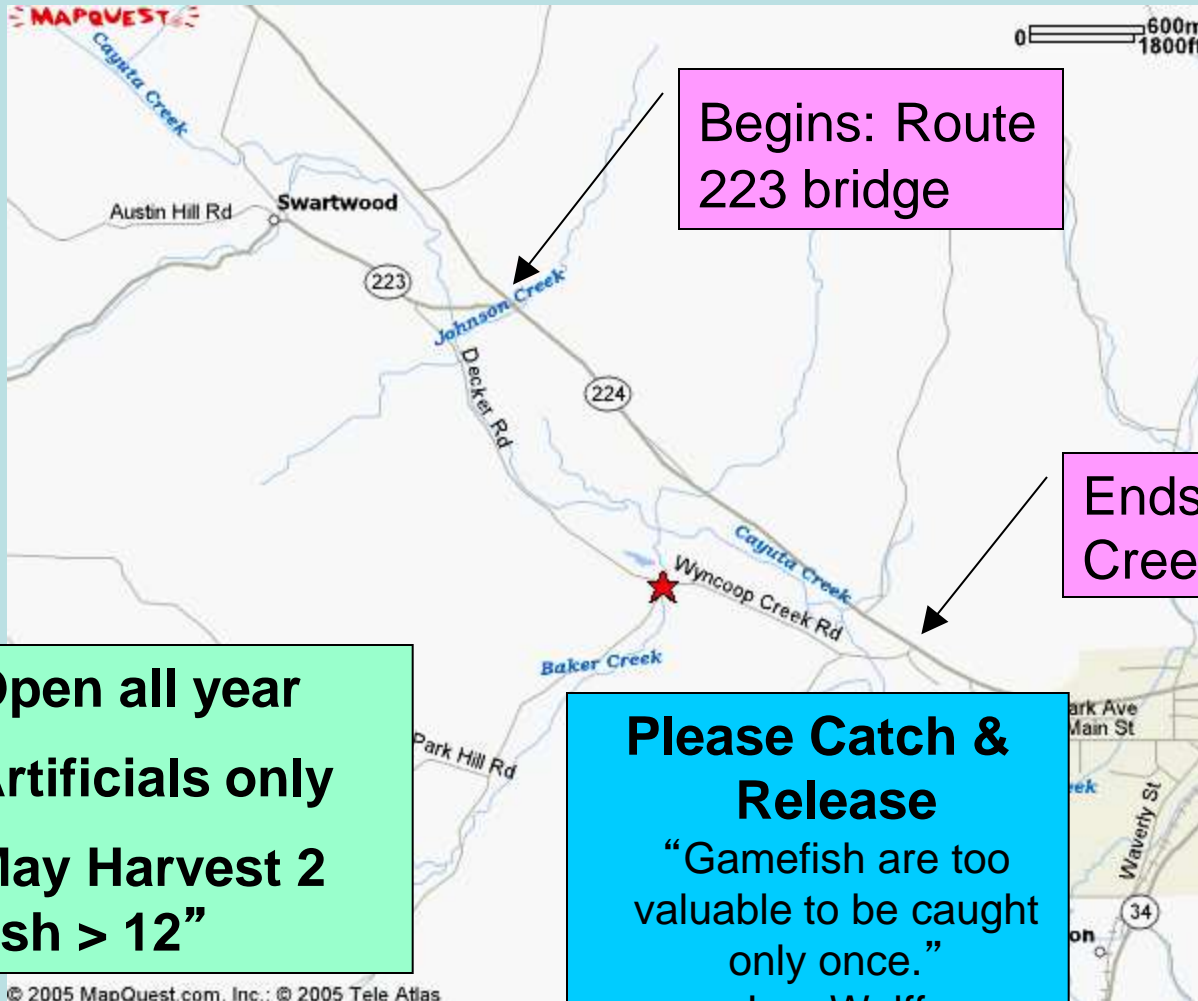
Directions to Cayuta Creek



- 40 minutes (34 miles) from Big Flats
- Rt. 13 North From Horseheads
- Open all year – 5 trout limit (2 above 12”)
- Brown Trout stocked from Lockwood to Alpine Junction

Cayuta

- Special Regulations Area





Cohocton River

Directions to Cohocton River



- 45 mins (40 miles) from Big Flats
- Cohocton parallels Route 415
- Open all year – 5 trout limit (2 above 12")
- Brown Trout stocked between Bath and Cohocton

Cohocton River - Lower Section (continued from other side)

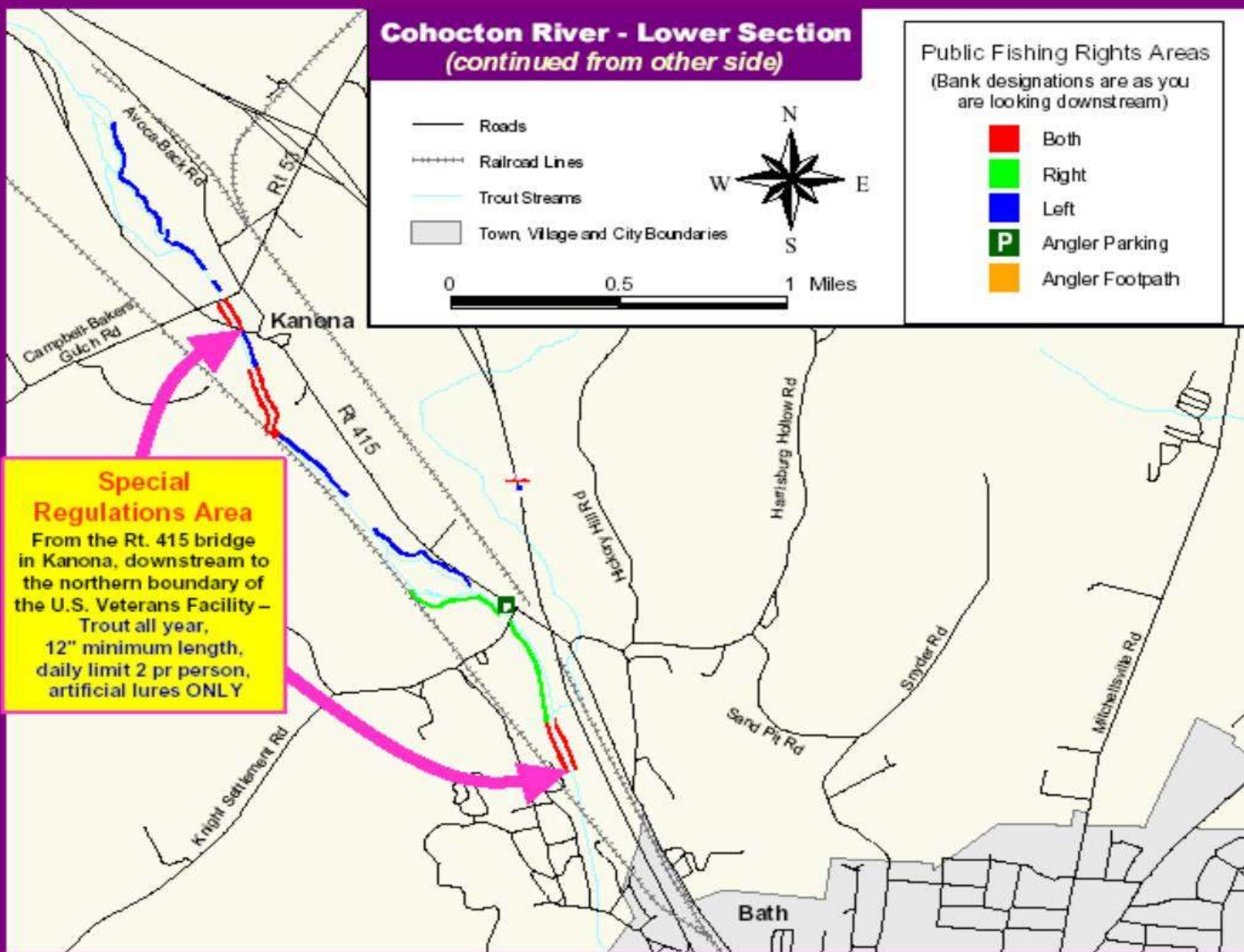
- Roads
- - - Railroad Lines
- Trout Streams
- ▭ Town, Village and City Boundaries



0 0.5 1 Miles

Public Fishing Rights Areas
(Bank designations are as you are looking downstream)

- ▭ Both
- ▭ Right
- ▭ Left
- ▭ P Angler Parking
- ▭ Angler Footpath



Special Regulations Area
From the Rt. 415 bridge in Kanona, downstream to the northern boundary of the U.S. Veterans Facility – Trout all year, 12" minimum length, daily limit 2 pr person, artificial lures ONLY



Genesee River

Directions to Genesee River



Special
regulations
No Kill

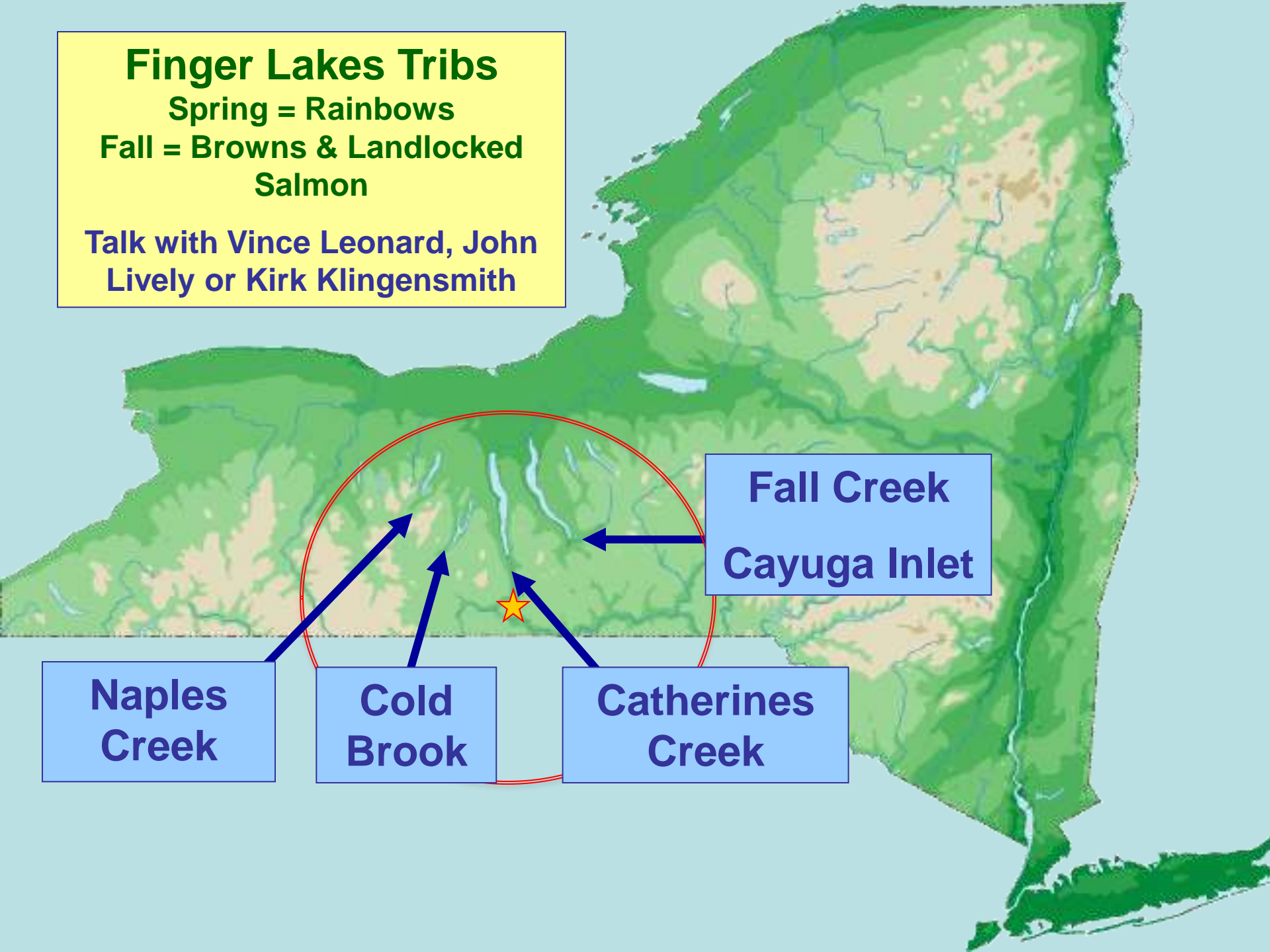
- 1 hour 15 minutes (65 miles) from Big Flats
- Open all year – 5 trout limit (2 above 12")
- Take Rt. 417 West from Addison to Wellsville
- Turn left at first light in Wellsville (Route 19 South)
- Fishing is from Wellsville south to PA border

Finger Lakes Tribs

Spring = Rainbows

Fall = Browns & Landlocked
Salmon

Talk with Vince Leonard, John
Lively or Kirk Klingensmith



Fall Creek
Cayuga Inlet

Naples
Creek

Cold
Brook

Catherines
Creek

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Department of
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Conservation

Finger Lakes and Tributary Regulations

Conesus Lake, Hemlock Lake, Canadigua Lake, Honeoye Lake, Canadigua Lake, Keuka Lake, Seneca Lake, Cayuga Lake, Owego Lake, Skaneateles Lake and Otisco Lake Regulations					
Water	Species	Open Season	Maximum Length	Daily Limit	Method
All Finger Lakes	Northern Pike	1st Set in May - March 15	22"	5	Ice fishing permitted
	Walleye	1st Set in May - March 15 2nd Set in June - March 15	18", except 18" in Honeoye Lake	3	
Conadigua Lake, Canadigua Lake, Cayuga Lake, Hemlock Lake, Honeoye Lake, Keuka Lake, Seneca Lake	Black Bass	March 15 - 1st preceding the 3rd Set in June	12"	5	Artificial lures only
	Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon	All year	15"	5 in combination. Catch shall include no more than 1 Rainbow Trout or 2 Landlocked Salmon	
Honeoye Lake	Alwale (sawbelly)				Possession prohibited
Owego Lake, Cayuga Lake	Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon	All year	15" Except 18" for Landlocked Salmon in Cayuga Lake	5 in combination. Catch shall include no more than 2 Brown Trout, 2 Rainbow Trout or 2 Landlocked Salmon	
Otisco Lake	Tiger Muskie/Kingsnipe	1st Set in May through March 15	30"	1	
	Trout	All year	12"	5	
Skaneateles Lake	Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon	All year	15"	5 in combination. Catch shall include no more than 2 of any species.	
	Alwale or sawbelly				Possession prohibited

Additional Tributary Regulations

- Any action to frighten fish and move them from concealment, including herding, driving, kicking and stoning is prohibited.
- Angling is prohibited from January 1 through March 31, except for those stream sections listed below and Fall Creek downstream of Itasca Falls.
- Angling is also prohibited between sunset and sunrise from April 1 through May 15 and October 1 through December 31 except for those stream sections listed below.
- Use of more than one line with a single hook point is prohibited except for those stream sections listed below.
- Possession of hooks with a gap greater than 1/2" is prohibited except for those stream sections listed below.
- Possession of landing nets larger than 50 inches around the frame or with handles longer than 20 inches is prohibited except for those stream sections listed below.

Stream Sections For Which Additional Tributary Regulations B, C, D, E and F Above Do Not Apply:

Trout season is closed January 1 through March 31 in these sections.

- West River and Sucker Brook from Canadigua Lake upstream in Ontario County.
- Cayuga Creek from Keuka Lake upstream to Rt. 54A bridge, Yates County.
- Cayuga Inlet and flood control channel from Cayuga Lake upstream to posted "NO FISHING" boundary below the highway in Tompkins County.
- Barge Canal from Seneca Lake upstream to northernmost Rt. 14 bridge in Monticue Falls, Schuyler County.
- Old Seneca Inlet in the southeast corner of Seneca Lake upstream of State Route 414.
- Yaeger's Creek from Cayuga Lake upstream to abandoned Lehigh Valley railroad bridge in Cayuga County.
- Owego Inlet from Owego Lake upstream 0.7 mile to marked boundary at old railroad bed in Cayuga County.
- Fall Creek from Cayuga Lake to the downstream edge of the railroad bridge below Rt. 13 in Itasca, Tompkins County.

Finger Lakes Tributary Regulations

Water	Species	Open Season	Maximum Length	Daily Limit	Method
All tributaries to Conesus Lake, Canadigua Lake, Hemlock Lake, Keuka Lake, and Seneca Lake upstream to the first barrier impassible by fish	Lake Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Landlocked Salmon	April 1 through Dec 31	15"	3 in combination. Catch shall include no more than 1 Rainbow Trout	
All tributaries to Owego Lake, Otisco Lake and Skaneateles Lake upstream to the first barrier impassible by fish except tributaries listed below	Lake Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Landlocked Salmon	April 1 through Dec 31	15", except 18" for Brown Trout	3 in combination	
All tributaries to Cayuga Lake upstream to the first barrier impassible by fish except tributaries listed below	Lake Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Landlocked Salmon	April 1 through Dec 31	15" except 18" for Landlocked Salmon	3 in combination	
Fall Creek (Cayuga Lake) from the downstream edge of the railroad bridge below Rt. 13 to Monticue Falls	Lake Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, Landlocked Salmon	April 1 through Dec 31 Jan 1 through March 31	15" except 18" for Landlocked Salmon	3 in combination Catch and release only	Artificial lures only
					Angling prohibited between sunset and sunrise from Oct 1 - May 15.
Spotted Creek (Otisco Lake)	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	Any size	5 - with maximum than 2 longer than 12"	
Tributaries to all Finger Lakes upstream to the first barrier impassible by fish	All other species	Open season, daily limit and maximum length regulations that are in effect for the Finger Lakes.			

If You are Younger than 15

Mill Street Pond

**East Mill Street
Horseheads, NY 14845**

April 1 – Oct 15

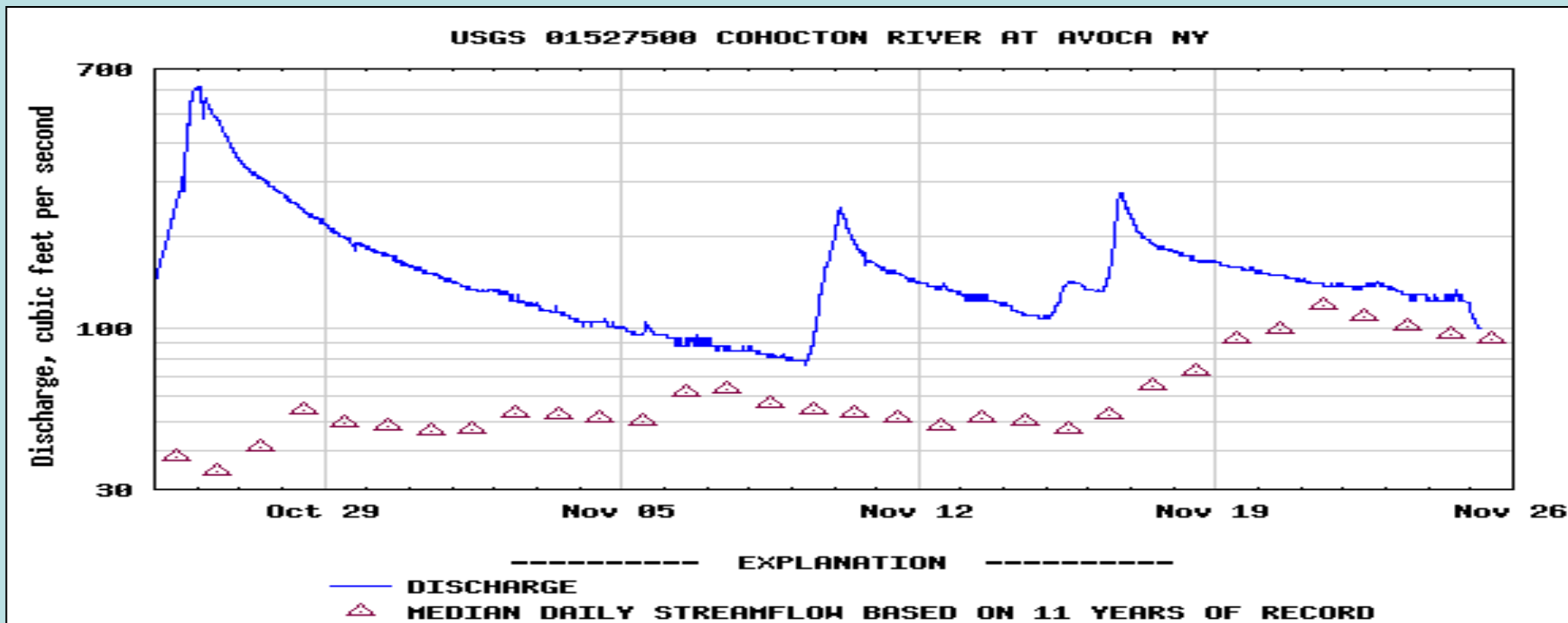
13-15 yr old Artificials Only

2 Trout Limit

Stocked by The Chemung
County Federation of
Sportsman

Save gas - check the water before you drive

Check water levels on Genesee or Cohocton at:
water.usgs.gov/waterwatch/



Resources

Public Fishing Access Maps at

www.dec.ny.gov

Genesee River Information

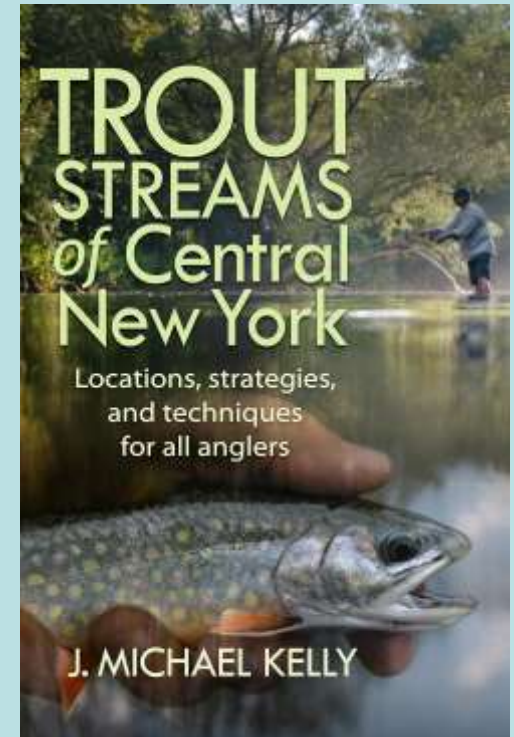
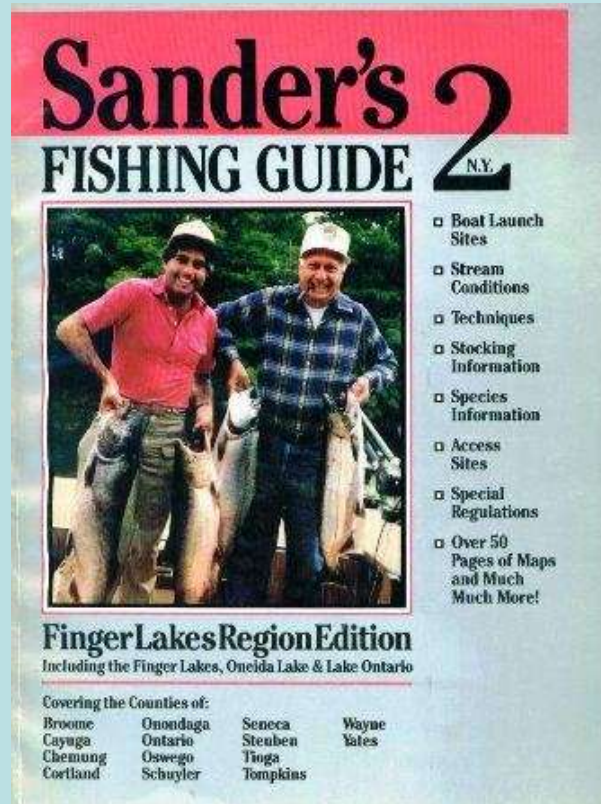
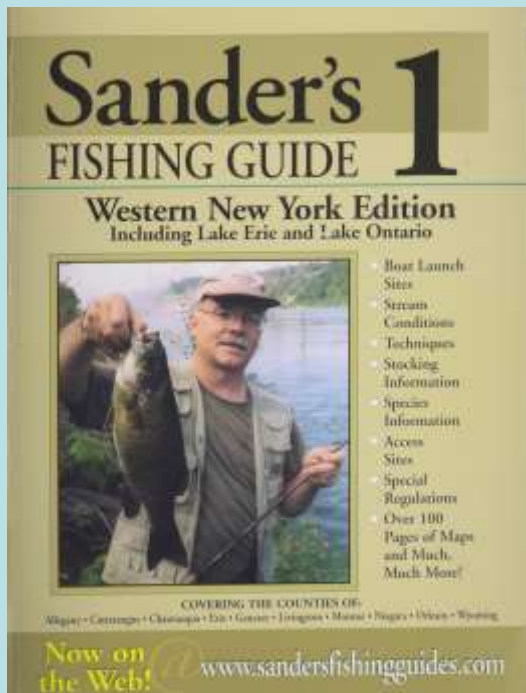
<http://www.oocities.org/uppergenny> (archived site)

Cohocton River Information

www.conhoctonriverflyshop.com

www.canandaigualaketu.org

Resources



A Few Hints

Cayuta

Fishes esp well through June then again in fall and winter

Early May – Hendrickson's, later in the season look for sulphurs and terrestrials

Caddis in Evening

Cohocton River

Fishes Well All Year - Except July/Aug

Holds Many Wild Trout (rare treat)

Fall Fishing for Big Browns

Genesee River

Fishes Well in Late Spring & Often Thru Summer

Many Holdover and Wild Trout

Good Sulfur Hatch (May/June)

Southern Tier Hatches & Flies

Hatch	When	Time	Flies
Quill Gordon	Mid-April	3-6 PM	#12 Adams, #12 Blue dun
Black Caddis	Late April – Early May	1-4 PM	#16-18 black snowshoe caddis, #16-18 black EHC
Hendrickson	Last week April - second week May	1-4 PM	#12 Pink Snowshoe Usual, #14 Red Quill Parachute
Black midges	Mid-to-late May	Afternoon- evening	#18-26 black midges
Small yellow stoneflies	Mid-May to mid-June	9 AM -2 PM	#14 grizzly-yellow body dry; #14-16 yellow stonefly nymph
Tan caddis	Mid-May to Mid-June	Evening	#16 EHC or caddis emerger (olive body)
Sulfur mayfly	Mid-to-end May	Afternoon- evening	#14 sulfur dun, emerger
Black beetle	Mid-late June	Evening	#18 black foam beetle
Cream mayfly	Sept-October	Afternoon- evening	#16-18 cream dun, emerger
BWOs	Sept-October	Afternoon	#16-22 BWO dun