

Beyond Trout



FLY FISH
INTERNATIONAL



"The great charm of fly-fishing is that we are always learning." - Theodore Gordon



- Academy focused on Trout
- Many students are interested in learning trout fly fishing
- I have fly fished for trout for 50 years and love it
- But I and many other fly fishers spend my time fly fishing for a wide variety of species



Great Fun Beyond Trout



Bluegill

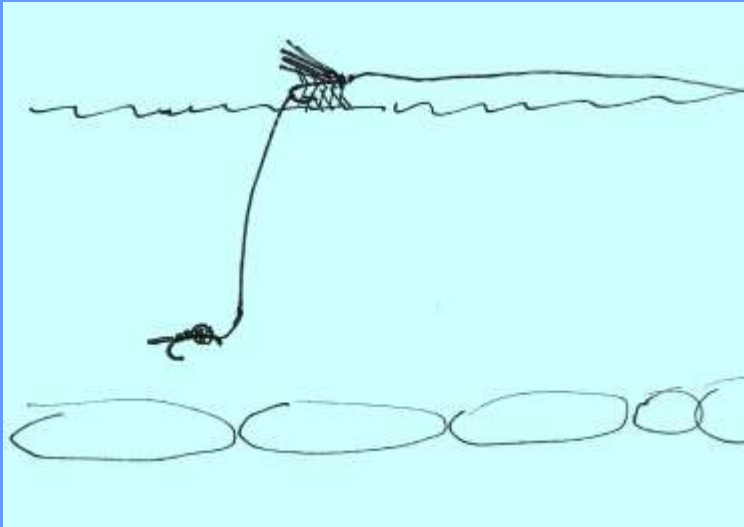
- Great fish to start fly fishing & to have fun
- Best when water >60F June-Sept, July & Aug Best
- Where to Start:
 - Speer Park (Big Flats)
 - Spencercrest Nature Center (Corning)
 - Lamoka Lake
 - Friend with a Farm Pond



Bluegill

- Trout size fly rod 5-6 perfect
- Start with
 - Woolly Bugger size 8-10
 - Dry/nymph dry dropper rig







Largemouth Bass

- Mostly in Lakes & Ponds
- Thrive in Warmer Water than Smallmouth
- Aggressive takes - esp on surface
- Good Fishing in our Area







Two Fly Rigs

- Dropper Nymph from Gurgler or Streamer
 - Super Effective for Small & Largemouth
 - If Fishing Slow, Dropper Up!



Smallmouth Bass


- Premier Gamefish
- Colder & More Oxygen than Largemouth
- Aggressive takes, jump and strong fight
- Outstanding Fishing in our Area



Smallmouth Different than Trout

- Smallmouth Take And Spit Fly In Nano-second
- Take Is Sometime Viscous, Sometimes Very Subtle
- Bass Have Super Hard Mouths



A person wearing a light-colored jacket, tan shorts, a blue cap, and brown wading shoes is standing in a river, wading. The river is surrounded by dense green trees and bushes. The water is dark and reflects the surrounding greenery.

Wet Wading in the Summer

- Use Felt Sole Wading Shoes

Bass Equipment

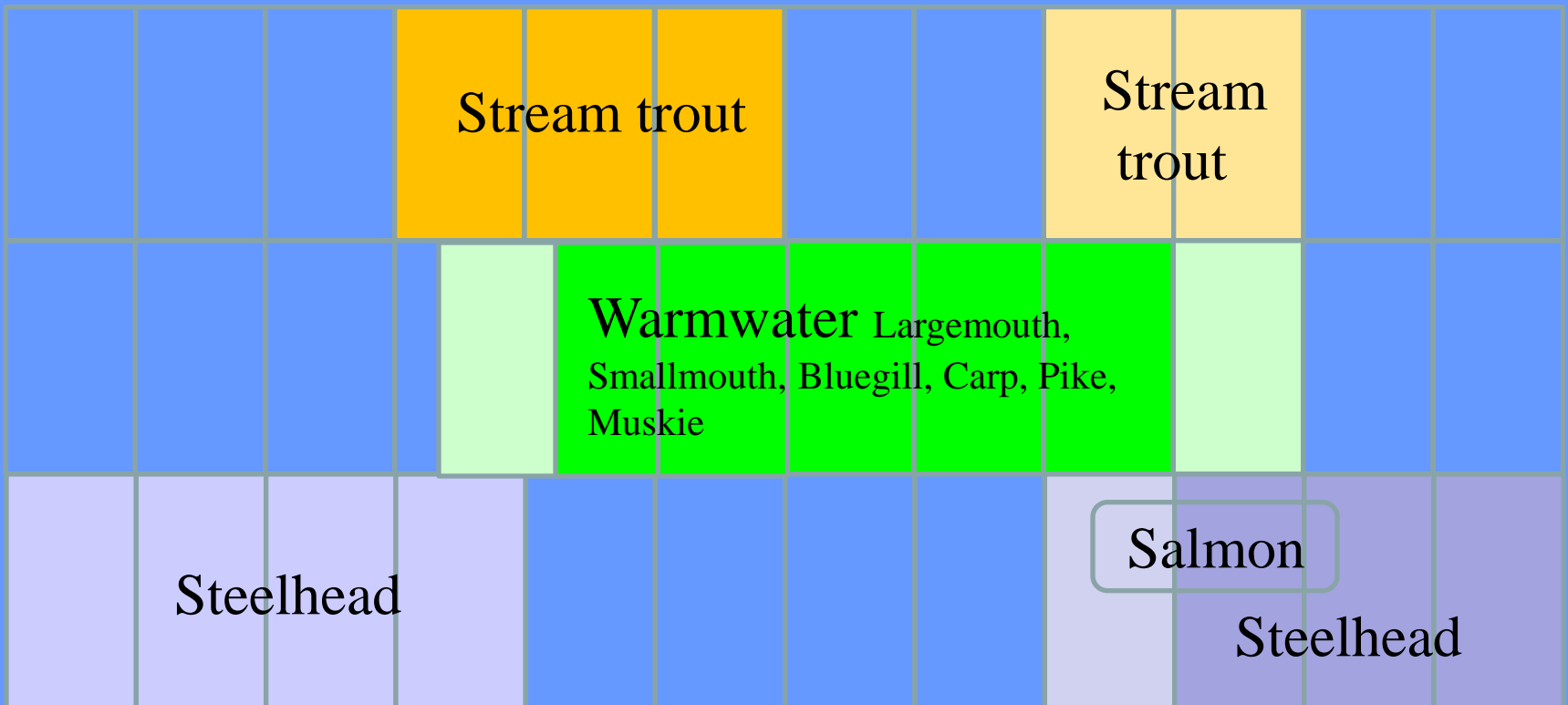
- 6-8 wt Rods
 - Heavier Lines Help to cast Bigger Flies
 - If Don't have Heavy Rod, use smaller flies
- Only Need Simple leaders
 - Tapered (store bought)
 - Knotless Won't Catch on Weedy Ponds
 - 8-10 lb tippets





Great Fly Fishing All Year

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec



Steelhead/Rainbows



Saltwater Fly Fishing





Catch & Release

Additional information

Local Bass & Bluegill Spots

Lower End Lamoka Lake
Bradford, NY
Perfect if have canoe
– heavy cover, big bass

Cayuta (Little) Lake
Wade boat, or canoe

Sanford Lake
Bank, wade, canoe

Erwin Game Lands
Erwin, NY
~1 mile walk in
– secluded – shore or float tube

Park Station
Erin, NY
Popular, shore, canoe,
rent boats

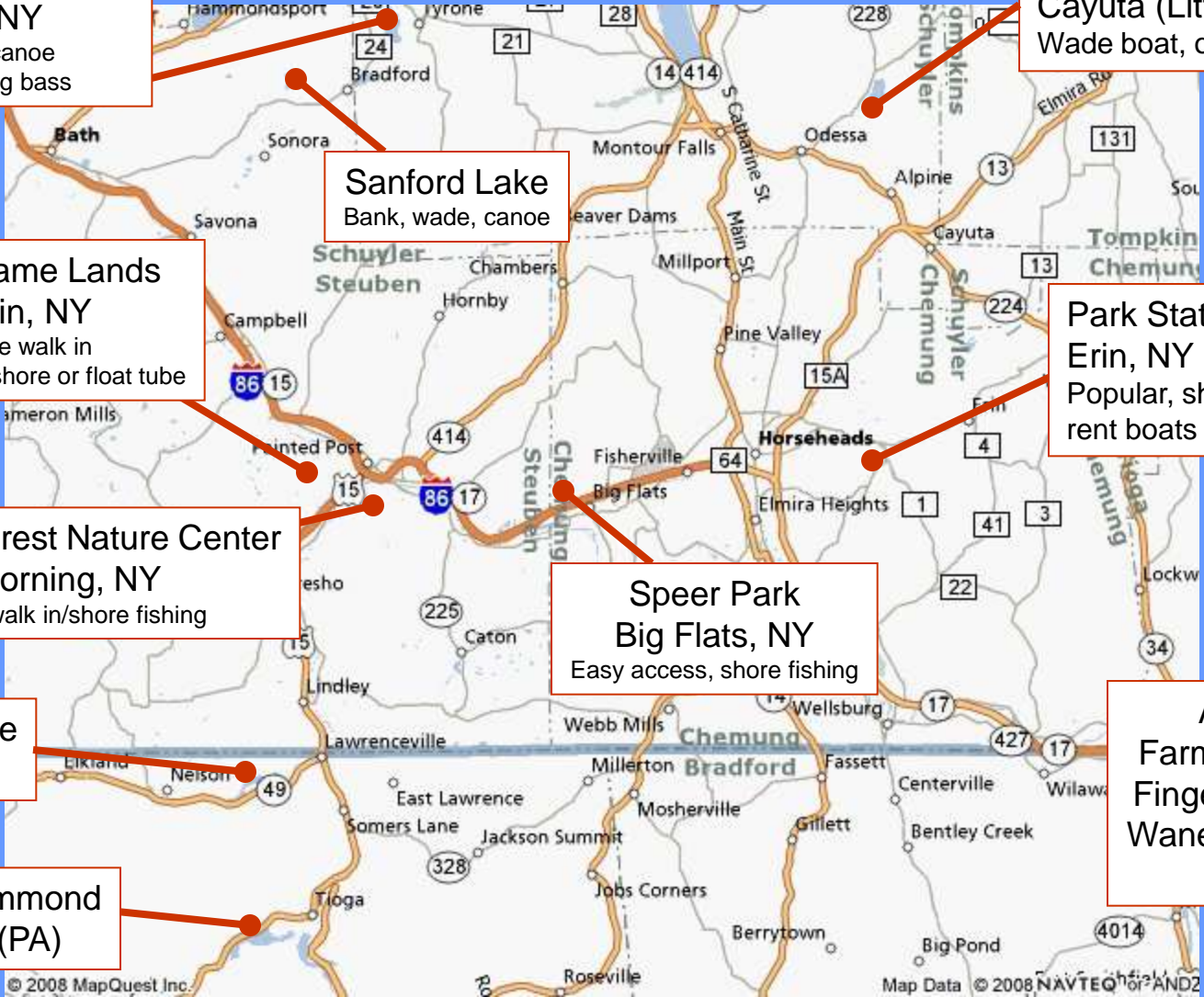
Spencercrest Nature Center
Corning, NY
easy walk in/shore fishing

Speer Park
Big Flats, NY
Easy access, shore fishing

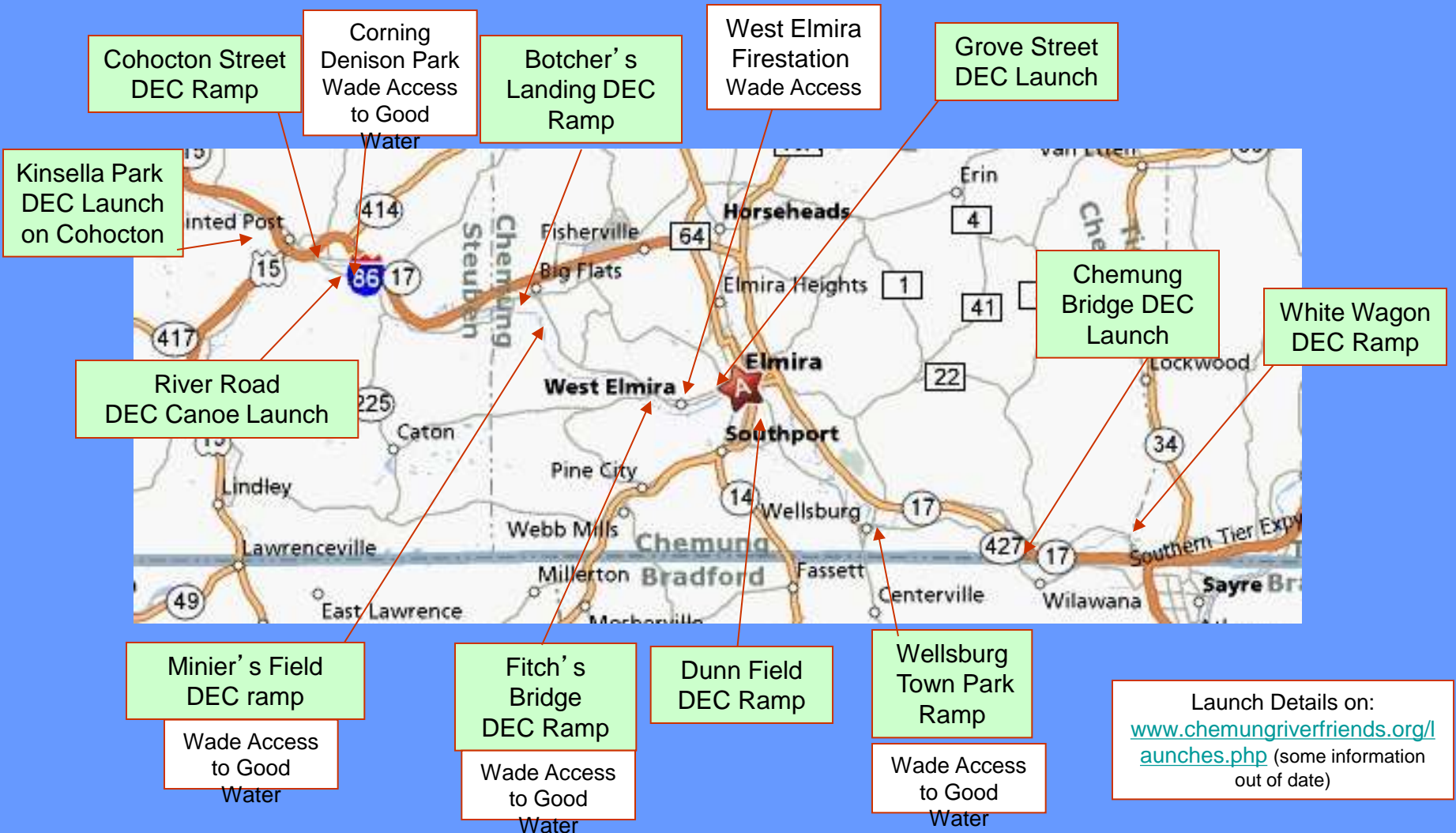
Cowanesque Lake (PA)

Also
Farm Ponds
Finger Lakes
Wanetta Lake
etc

Tioga-Hammond Lakes (PA)



Chemung River



Salmon & Steelhead waters

