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I'm a trout flyrodder who moved to the Susquehanna a few months ago. I had fished the River during the whitefly hatch years ago when there were plenty of fish and was looking forward to enjoying a beer from my deck, dressed to go, rod in hand, watching for rises in the sunset reflected from the water.

Well, everything's in place, but the fish. Plenty of whiteflies for the past few days; but barely a rise.

I'm in the stretch between Clarks Ferry and Dauphin. There's a lot of river there and I've so far restricted my evenings fishing to locations I can wade to. I have a kayak and a bass boat but have kept the search 'local.'

So...I'm looking to find rising fish, and that's where my inquiry begins. I'm wondering if the fish congregate in certain areas and if so, what conditions the rising bass would favor: shallow, stucture, fast water, slow water....

Was also wondering if the fish were not yet on the hatch. It just started; does it take a little while for the fish to key in?

I'm trying to cover different ground each night. Don't really want to take the kayak to islands or the opposite side since I'll be paddling back in near dark. Not sure the grass is greener elsewhere.

So what's the answer? Any help that might lead me to rising bass will be graciously accepted!! Thanks Jim

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