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Re: White Flies on the Susquehanna - where are the fish?

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jleeg, i can't speak much for the area you're in but it seems that most of the bass in the marietta/columbia region are dead. If i were you i'd target shallow riffly areas if you want bass. The water is already very hot (as of 7/16 82degrees) and they are prolly looking for oxygenation. Catfish on the other hand, seem to be thriving. You should be able to find them feeding on the white flies.

The future for bass looks bleak. Every year i hold out hope that this will be the year the tide starts to turn, but it looks like those hopes are already dashed for this year. Only fished the river twice so far this year but noticed some discouraging signs. first off i saw a 2inch bass struggling to swim and probably near death in the shallows with a massive lesion on his body. It hadn't rained in 2-3 weeks at the time and visibility wasn't good. Seemed like an algae bloom. water was already hot and this was before last week's extreme temps. This topic is close to my heart and is very tragic. I haven't even fished for bass in the past couple years because i feel bad about stressing the few survivors. I just hope that before i die bass fishing on my end of the river returns to it's former glory.