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Re: end of smallmouth on the susquehanna

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FI wrote:

Bass populations are well below historical averages in the lower Susky. Everyone who fishes the river knows this and the reason for the bass decline in that section of river has not been identified. Yes, there are lesions but they are found all through the West and North Branch where bass populations remain strong. Yes, there are lots of predatory birds - but they are up everywhere. Yes, there are pollutants from endocrine effluent and intersex characteristics.....but these too are common across all the big mid Atlantic Rivers. Something is wrong with the bass in the lower Susky. At this point, the causes are speculation. More study is needed.

So basically no one knows what is going on with the population on the Susky? Is this affecting small mouth as well?

Personally I have had a blast learning the art of trout fishing, tho very frustrating at times, but have had nice success with WW species. Look forward to hitting the Susky next summer as well as some other WW rivers and creeks in my radius.