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Floods, ag runoff, water treatment, industry, and increased river temps are the problem. High water limits the success of the spawn. Ag runoff fills the system with unhealthy chemicals and promotes the algae blooms along with dissolved oxygen. The treatment of water isn't perfect. It's a known fact that if a treatment plants culture goes bad then the sewage is dumped. Furthermore, birth control pills residues are finding its way into smallies. Industry that isn't being properly regulated will dump bad water into the system. Then in the summer, the temps have been terrible. Add these factors together and you have the answer to failed spawning success below Williamsport.