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In the last couple days, river temps on the lower Susky and Juniata have finally ticked into the low 40's. This is still very cold for the end of March. However, what we're looking for is the upward warming trend. If snow melt doesn't knock temps back down again, that warming trend should continue and bass fishing should - finally - get started.

BTW: If you do go prospecting for river bass anytime soon, don't forget some trout flies. Most of our rivers have seasonal and localized populations of brown trout in them in springtime (these trout disappear by mid May most years). This combined with the fact that the densest hatches of early stoneflies (in my experience) are on warm water rivers....you may get a shot at rising trout. I've seen this several times this year.