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Re: How a Stream Can Change

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Patrick: I believe B-types are more common in the mountains of PA. The main difference between A's and B's is the channel slope. If your stream bed drops 4 to 10 feet over 100 feet of horizontal distance, then you have an A type. If it drops less than 4 feet, then it's a B-type. When you fish an A-type, you find yourself using your hands as well as your feet to move upstream. In PA you often find them spilling down a steep mountainside and feeding directly into a large river. The Delaware Water Gap area has some fishable A-types. The Alleghany National Forest area also has some. I think that because PA does not have any truly high peaks, most of the A-types have small catchments, resulting in very small channels (often choked with rhododendron). The wild brookies are likely there, but good luck presenting a fly.