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Re: Acid Rain and Un-surveyed streams

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bearfisherman wrote:

That was my thought on it - the soils have just lost their buffering ability to any sort of acid precipitation, or snowmelt runoff. While the increased traffic due to gas development might have some recent effect on it, this has been a problem for more years than that.

We had a spot on the East Branch that used to be one of our go to spots for legal-sized natives. Haven't caught one there for years now.

I don't think that the swamp helps much either with summer warming.

The swamps certainly don't help with the warmup, but they do tend to raise the PH somewhat. Or so I have read. Chaz could likely comment on that. I know he has read a lot of studies.

That whole area kind of sucks when it comes to buffering. Even the man made ponds are too high in acid to product much more than stunted perch and sunfish.

Same is mostly true for the other side of 66.

Beautiful area, but kind of sterile.