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Rain is naturally acidic, but it is only marginally acid. A water sample would tell them right away if it was acid rain causing the issue, they can tell by the chemistry. Many stream in the ANF are naturally acidic according the AFM for that area, I spoke to him on the phone after being up there one time.

But acid rain would exacerbate the problem of natural acidity. As I remember Ltl. Salmon starts on the same ridge as the Spring Creek tribs. If the buffering is depleted by acid rain it would be a very long time before long term improvement of water quality would happen without intervention.