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Besides Swift Run, another stream in the region is the headwaters of Middle Creek. west of Pleasant Grove.

The stream originates and flows about 4 miles through Bald Eagle State forest. The surroundings and watershed are forested. But PFBC surveys and surveys by the people at Bucknell found no trout.

It's a similar situation, a stream originating and flowing through Tuscarora geology, weakly buffered, so the ph and alkalinity are very low.

After studying these streams, Dr. Carl Kirby from Bucknell initiated a liming project in the headwaters of Buffalo Creek, and reports are that there are a few brookies there now.

There was an article about this in Trout magazine and in PA Trout newsletter. The return of the brookies there is good news but the article said the ponds may only work for 20 years, so it doesn't sound like a long term solution.