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I grew up about 25 yards from Lick Run. The creek ran through my back yard in the borough of Howard. As a child I used to fish there the first morning of Trout season. The local parents would all chip in and stock the stream for the kids. A few local fly fishermen wanted to make it a Trophy Trout Stream. They succeeded and enjoyed it for a few years. Now they do not even fish. It does have some nice brown trout in it. My house was around 1000 to 1500 yards upstream from where it empties into Sayers Dam. For trout the best fishing is 500 to 2000 yards from where it originates. It comes out of an abandoned limestone quarry. Nobody is sure how deep the quarry is, but the water coming out of it stays nice and cold all summer long. I would break it up into 3 sections. The first being 1 to 2 miles. This is the beginning stretch that runs along side the mounting and has a field on the other side. I think this is the best. Then the next 3 miles or so goes between two mountains. This area stays shaded pretty much all of the time. Then it goes through the town of Howard. Route 26 pretty much run along the stream for the first 3 to 5 miles. Then it enters the town of Howard where it goes under 2 bridges and a railroad bridge. There are some deep holes in the stream, some 3 to 5 feet deep. It does support wild trout and there is also used to be a great Sucker run years ago. I have not fished it for a few years, but my dad looks at it everyday and says he does not see as many trout as he used to. He talked to a guy 2 days ago who was fishing and he said he didn't catch anything. Let me know if you need information on access sites. For the most part the property owners along the creek are nice and will let you access it. Hope this helps.