

The Yellow Breeches Watershed

A Spectacular Recreational Buffet

Located in Southcentral Pennsylvania, the Yellow Breeches watershed offers an endless array of recreational activities – from hiking, biking and boating – to some of the finest Trout fishing streams to be found in the United States.



Boating

The Yellow Breeches Watershed offers ideal conditions for families and beginners and advanced paddlers to experience all the beauty that our natural surroundings have to offer. Whether fishing, sightseeing, or simply paddling around, boaters are sure to have a wonderful outdoor adventure. Our waters offer miles of breathtaking scenic shoreline as well as the best . . .

Fishing . . .

to be found just about anywhere. Fishing is a time-honored tradition here and endless opportunities exist year round for the angler. Many catch-and-release and fly-fishing-only areas provide some of the best fly-fishing in the east. For a family outing or some peaceful time alone on the stream, the Yellow Breeches watershed is an ideal destination.



Hiking, Biking and Camping

The Appalachian Trail runs 2,140 miles through 14 states. And its centerpoint is in Cumberland County. For more than half a century hikers have traveled this scenic trail. Within the watershed, the Appalachian Trail travels through Michaux State Forest and Pine Grove Furnace State Park before dipping into the Cumberland Valley south of Boiling Springs. From the trail you will enjoy many spectacular views of scenic streams and waterfalls. Biking is offered on numerous trails throughout the State Parks and Forests but don't overlook a road tour of your own. Much of the beauty of the watershed is seen easily from our public road system, which offers terrain from beginner to advanced.

It is the mission of the Yellow Breeches Watershed Association to support, encourage, and promote the enjoyment, protection, and prudent management of our natural resources.

A creek, stream or river is nothing more than surface water finding its way over land from a higher altitude to a lower altitude. When rain falls on the land, it either seeps into the ground or becomes runoff, which flows downhill into rivers and lakes, on its journey towards the sea. We invite you to enjoy your watershed, responsibly. Remember, that any action you take affects not only your neighbor, but also **everyone** downstream as well.



Class A Trout Streams within the Yellowbreeches Watershed

Definition of Class A Waters

Streams which support a population of naturally produced trout of sufficient size and abundance to support a long-term and rewarding sport fishery.

Management

Natural reproduction, wild populations with no stocking.

Programs

Special Regulations:

Trophy Trout
Catch and Release
Selective Harvest

Heritage Trout Waters Big Spring Ck
707B Wild Brook Trout Sec 01

Limits: From source downst to old Thomas Dam
Length: 1.0 km; 0.6 mi. T-Alk: 148
Owner: 100% PFBC Nearest Town: Newville

Letort Spg Rn 707B Wild Brown Trout Sec 02
Limits: From Letort Spg downst to southern edge of Letort Spg Park
Length: 2.7 km; 1.7 mi. T-Alk: 180
Owner: 99% Pvt Open Nearest Town: Carlisle
1% Public

Letort Spg Rn 707B Wild Brown Trout Sec 03
Limits: From southern edge of Letort Spg Park downst to sewage treatment plant
Length: 3.1 km; 1.9 mi. T-Alk: 170
Owner: 100% Federal Nearest Town: Carlisle

Trindle Spring Run
(Silver Spgs) 707B Wild Rainbow Trout Sec 02
Limits: From a spring source near Silver Spring meeting house downst to mouth
Length: 1.5 km; 0.9 mi. T-Alk: 182
Owner: 100% Pvt Open Nearest Town: Mechanicsburg

Local Parks and reserves within the watershed

Lower Allen

Lower Allen Community Park – Lisburn Rd
Yellow Breeches Park (undeveloped) – Sheepford Rd

Mount Holly Springs

Holly Gap Preserve

New Cumberland Borough

New Cumberland Borough Community Park

South Middleton Township

South Middleton Municipal Park – Park Dr

Upper Allen Township

Center Square Park – Lisburn Rd
Grantham Park – Grantham Rd
McCormick Park – McCormick Rd
Trout Run Preserve – Stumptstown Rd
Pending Park – Bowmansdale Area

Biking

Pine Grove Furnace State Park: All park roads and service roads are open to bicycles unless posted otherwise. A bicycle rental concession is available at the boat launch at Laurel Lake.

Upper Allen Bike Trail: access from McCormick Park

Ice Sports

Ice Sports: At Laurel Lake, Pine Grove Furnace, a small area by the boat launch is maintained for ice skating. Ice fishing is permitted on the rest of the lake.

Public Access

Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission

Camp Hill Access – Lower Allen Township, Spangler Mill Road

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