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**Subject:** Comment received - Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Standards; Class A Stream Redesignations



**Re: eComment System**

**The Department of Environmental Protection has received the following comments on Proposed Rulemaking: Water Quality Standards; Class A Stream Redesignations.**

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Comments entered:

Dear Re: Water Quality Standards; Class A Stream Redesignations,

I submit these comments in support of the Environmental Quality Board's proposal to amend the Pennsylvania Code to provide an extra layer of protection to approximately 207 miles of Pennsylvania's streams. 46 Pa. Bull. 1205 (March 5, 2016).

Pennsylvania's water resources are essential to the commonwealth's health and economic well-being, and they should be given the strongest possible level of protection.

As a mother of four and a high school science teacher, I see first hand how nature can spark an enthusiasm for learning. Clean water and healthy fauna and flora is not something that should be questioned.

Everyone should be supportive of these measures to ensure environmental health for future generations. It is our responsibility to be stewards on this Earth and be thankful for what we are provided with. How we can sit around and watch our world become so polluted and do nothing about it disgust me. When I look into the eyes of a child I want them to know that I have done everything I could to provide them with a clean and healthy environment. I highly urge you to think about what you can do to make our world a better place. Many lives depend on our decisions. On that note, I strongly support the addition of the stream segments listed in the March 5, 2016 Pennsylvania Bulletin announcement to the list of "High Quality" waters in Pennsylvania.

Objective scientific data reveal that these streams are among the best of Pennsylvania's wild

trout fisheries. Designating these stream segments "High Quality" will help provide them with an additional layer of protection to ensure that they continue to serve as a viable habitat for aquatic life. I ask that you finalize this rulemaking to provide these special waters with the special protection they deserve.

I also ask that you work with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission to ensure that all Pennsylvania waters deserving of "special protection" status receive the appropriate designation as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments, and thank you for all of the work that you do to ensure Pennsylvanians' constitutionally protected right to "pure water." Pa. Constitution. Article 1, Section. 27.

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No attachments were included as part of this comment.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
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