

Appendix B.

**Trout Stream Classification Checklist** (revised 8/2013)

(This checklist should be completed and accompany any trout stream classification changes. Check the items as appropriate and attach comments if desired.)

Stream name: Elk Creek, or Bennett Creek

(if stream is known by another name please list both names with the more common name first)

County: Trempealeau/Buffalo WBIC: 1817000

Define the portion of the stream to be classified. Please provide both a written description and the coordinate locations of the upstream and downstream beginning and end points.

Eagle Creek is an 16.5 mile tributary of the Buffalo River that originates in Sec. 5, T23NR9W, Trempealeau Co. The proposed Class II trout water then flows generally west for 16.5 miles to the mouth at the Buffalo River in Sec. 16, T23NR11W, Buffalo Co.

This written description should reference permanent, unambiguous landmarks that would allow a person unfamiliar with the area to locate the points (e.g., dams, road crossings, stream confluences, county lines, section lines, township lines)

Please provide coordinate locations in one of three formats:

Longitude/Latitude (Degrees, Minutes, Seconds): 89° 41' 28.7" W , 44° 55' 14.0" N

Longitude/Latitude (Decimal Degrees): -89.691332, 44.920576

WTM91 (easting and northing in meters): 544361, 494173

Upstream point coordinates: 44.4942, -91.4897

Downstream point coordinates: 44.4685, -91.7234

Classification proposed Class II

  x   Fish survey (including relative abundance, length distribution, and age structure) and habitat survey completed on water to be classified

Survey on file at what location Black River Falls Field Office

Fish team supervisor and district fisheries supervisor have approved the classification.  
Date 08/26/2015

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Water leader has consulted with other Water Division Bureaus, especially for class III waters.  
Date 08/31/2015

Public notice published in local newspaper or other media  
Date 09/10/2015 (Buffalo), 10/01/2015 (Trempealeau)

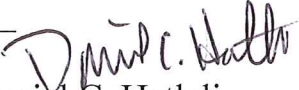
Notice sent to all clerks of the county, town, city, or village in which the stream is located  
Date 09/02/2015

Notice sent to legislators in the affected districts  
Date 09/02/2015

Notice sent to chairpersons of legislative committees with jurisdiction for natural resources issues  
Date 09/02/2015

No hearing requested 30 days after public notice – for Trempealeau County segment

Hearing requested, held, and classification recommended  
Date 12/08/2015 (Buffalo)

Signed: Author of Checklist  Daniel C. Hatleli Date 12/9/2015

Fish Team Supervisor  Date 12-9-15

Water Leader  Date 12-9-15