

Trout Stream Classification Checklist

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

County Monroe

Stream name, classification proposed, and portion classified

Billings Creek non trout all 3.6mi TO c.H brown all 3.6mi

Master Waterbody ID Code 1196900

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 Lax DNR

Public notice published in local newspaper or other media

Notice sent to all clerks of the county, town, city, or village in which the stream is located

Notice sent to legislators in the affected districts

Notice sent to chairpersons of legislative committees with jurisdiction for natural resources issues

No hearing requested 30 days after public notice

Hearing requested, held, and classification recommended

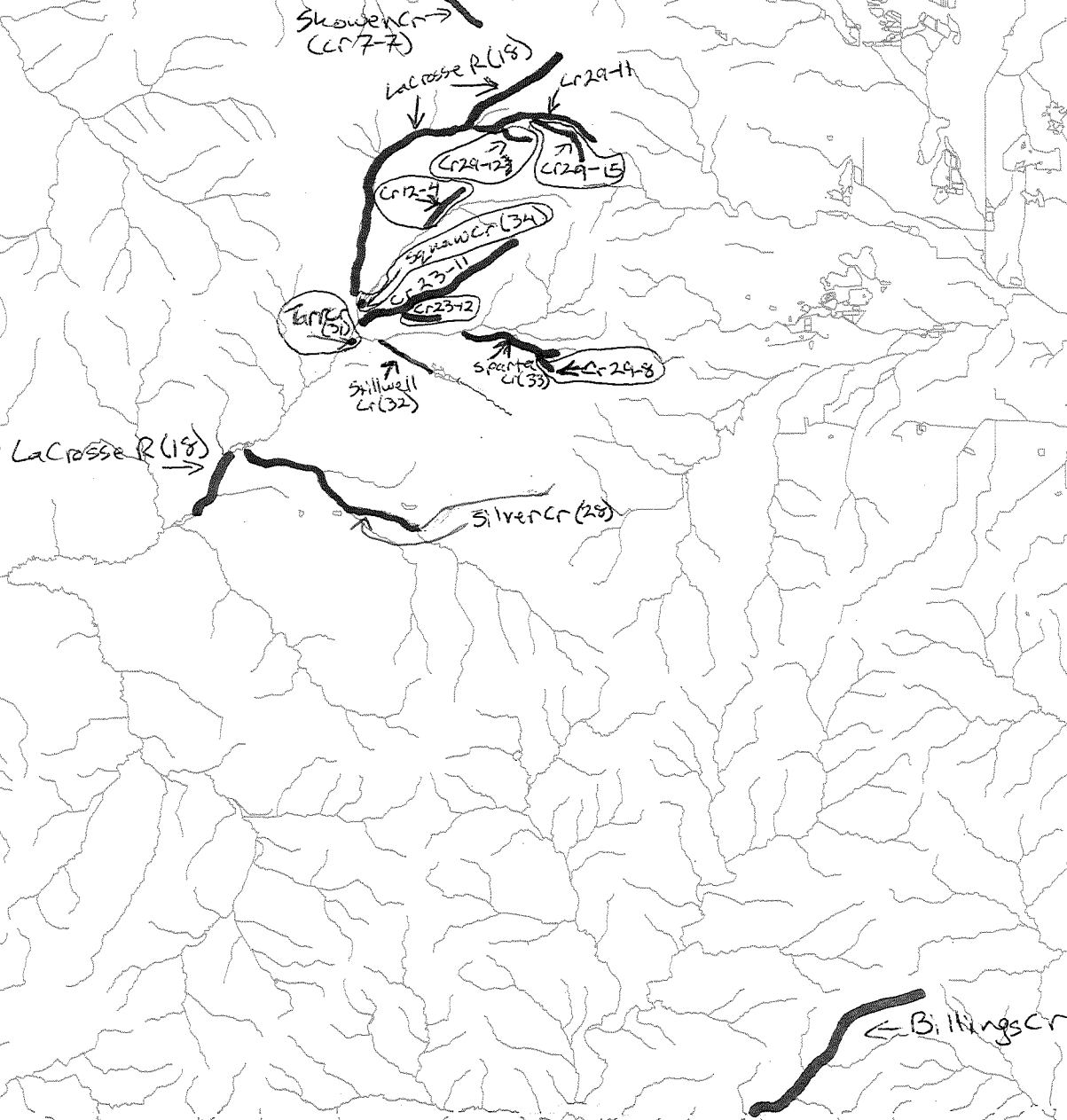
Signed: Author of Checklist Cindy Koperski
Regional Supervisor David Wilson

Monroe Co 2003 Trout stream changes

16 total

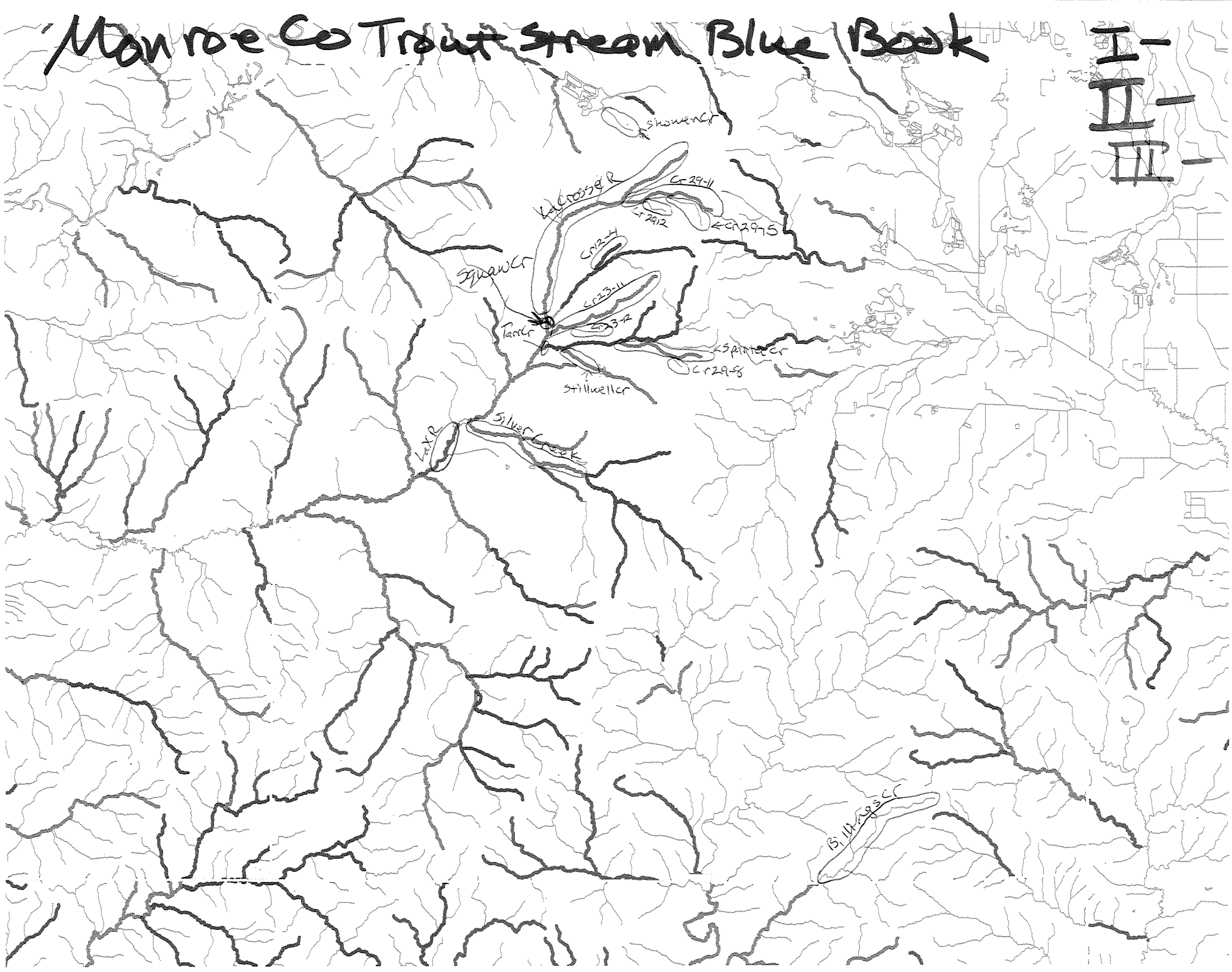
- I-
- II-
- III-

(#) corresponds to Trout
Stream Map Book
No # means it was
not previously classified
a trout stream



Monroe Co Trout Stream Blue Book

I-
II-
III-



La Crosse, WI--- Two Monroe County streams will be classified based on their ability to support natural trout reproduction, according to David Vetrano, Department of Natural Resources Senior Fisheries Supervisor, La Crosse. The classifications are based on water quality and fisheries studies conducted during the past several years in the county.

Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 1.02 (7) (4) requires the Department of Natural Resources to give public notice of the stream classifications or reclassifications. The Department shall waive any hearing requirement on any new classification unless a written request is received by David Vetrano, Senior Fisheries Supervisor, 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse, WI., 54601 before October 3, 2003. He can be contacted by telephone at (608) 785-9009.

The Monroe County streams are:

Billings Creek (Wellington Township)

CURRENT: Non-trout entire length (3.6 miles)

PROPOSED: Class II brown trout, entire length (3.6 mile)

Recent surveys show Billings Creek has some natural trout reproduction but not enough to utilize available food and space. Therefore, stocking sometimes is required to maintain a desirable sport fishery. This portion of stream shows good survival and carryover of adult trout often producing some fish of better than average size. Billings Creek flows into Vernon County where it's entire length in that county is currently Class II trout water. Billings Creek is a tributary to the Kickapoo River.

La Crosse River (Angelo and Sparta Townships)

CURRENT: Class III between Perch Lake and Angelo Pond (2.0 miles)

PROPOSED: Class II brown trout between Perch Lake and Angelo Pond (2.0 miles)

Recent surveys show the La Crosse River between Perch Lake and Angelo Pond has some natural trout reproduction but not enough to utilize available food and space. Therefore, stocking sometimes is required to maintain a desirable sport fishery. This portion of stream shows good survival and carryover of adult trout often producing some fish of better than average size. The La Crosse River is Class II both downstream of the City of Sparta as well as upstream of Angelo Pond.