

Main Branch Black River Saunders



Fish Species

Brook Trout

Species Description

Brook trout are the primary trout species encountered at this location.

Geographic Coordinates

Lat:45.061633 / Long:-84.454717

Noteworthy

This is relatively new land within the state forest system. This upper reach of the Black sits adjacent to the unique Black River swamp. Access to this site is a long hike in off a local county road. The dam and old camp near the dam were removed in 2013. Gradient in this reach is limited, and the bottom is predominantly sand and silt. Saunders Creek, a coldwater tributary, offers some additional thermal refuge for fish in this reach. Brook trout of all sizes can be found here, but you may have to fish long reaches to come across quality waters. Fishing with all gear types is a possibility.

Fishing Regulations

This site on the Main Branch of the Black River is a designated Type 1 trout stream. Please refer to the Inland Trout and Salmon Stream Regulations in the current Michigan Fishing Guide.

Directions to Site

From Sparr Road east of its southernly intersection with Gingell Road, turn north on Gingell Road and continue to its end at Saunders Road. Turn right (east) onto Saunders Rd and follow bend to the north until gated parking area is reached within 0.6 mile.

Regional Visitor Information (URL)

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