



COPPER COUNTRY CHAPTER – TROUT UNLIMITED

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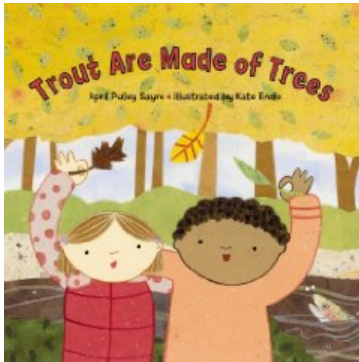
Dear Educator,

The Copper Country Chapter of Trout Unlimited (CCCTU) is a local conservation organization whose goal is "conserving, protecting and restoring the Copper Country's cold water resources". Some of the recent projects spearheaded by our Chapter include:

Huron River Watershed Assessment – This ambitious project will provide a snapshot of the health of the river and its fisheries. With the watershed covering much of Baraga County, many chapter members are involved in taking measurements at 24 monitoring stations.

Pilgrim River Improvement Project – For several years, chapter members have been stabilizing and restoring stream banks on the Pilgrim River in Houghton County, as well as repairing damage caused by spring floods, to improve the already excellent brook trout fishery on this stream.

One activity that is critical to reaching our goal is to educate and share information with residents, visitors and our area youth. To that end, we have taken on the project, "Reading in the Classroom – Trout are made of Trees". The book is an introduction to the life cycles of nature and the impact of humans on the delicate ecosystem. As described by Amazon.com:



How can a leaf become a fish? Join two young children and their dads to find out, as they observe life in and around a stream. Energetic collage art and simple, lyrical text depict the ways plants and animals are connected in the food web. Back matter provides information about the trout life cycle as well as conservation efforts that kids can do themselves. A Junior Library Guild selection.

Our goal to read the book to the area 1st grade classes and discuss key points with the students about the interrelations trout have with their environment and how we do as well. It is never too early for children to realize how humans affect the world in which we live. With completion of the approximately 30 minute visit, CCCTU will donate the book to your school library.

Please contact Bob Page at (906) 483-0454 or rpage@chartermi.net to confirm your interest in having CCCTU visit the school and to arrange a date/time. If you have any question regarding CCCTU, you can contact me and or visit our web site at www.coppercountrytu.org

Thank you for your interest and support,

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