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## TIME TO GET A LINE WET

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A few weeks ago, state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) biologists were wading in a number of area creeks weighing and measuring rainbow trout as part of the annual samplings that help monitor fish populations in Finger Lakes tributaries.

It's one of the annual and much-anticipated preludes to the opening of trout season this Wednesday, April 1st.

"The fish are in real good shape, really fat...The biggest one was just under 9 pounds. Fishing should be really good for the opener," one biologist said, in what can only be music to the ears of all anglers.

Looking ahead to Wednesday, here's to a great season to allow fellow anglers!

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