Illinois Council of Trout Unlimited
2020 Youth Conservation & Fly Fishing Camp

Who: Girls & boys ages 13 to 18

When: Sunday July 26 to Friday July 31, 2020

Where: Head waters of the Au Sable River, Michigan.
(Lodging at the Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center in Roscommon, MI.)

Included: Food, lodging, transport, & a fly fishing outfit
(A fly rod, reel & line is awarded to each camper upon successful completion).

Fly fishing for wild stream trout on the pristine Au Sable River (the birth place of Trout Unlimited).

Field studies with university professors and Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources biologists.

Cost: Camp tuition is $575.
Scholarships are available based on financial need.

Field Studies Include:
Fly fish for wild stream trout on several sections of the Au Sable
(Instruction from skilled TU Guides on casting, fly fishing tactics, safety & more tailored to each camper’s experience level).

Capture & identify stream insects with a Western Michigan University Professor to understand the trout food chain.

Conduct an electro shock survey with Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources biologists to assess the trout population & health.

Work on a stream conservation project supervised by a professional biologist & crew to improve trout habitat.

Tour old growth forest and study the impact of logging on the Au Sable & its trout with naturalists from Hartwick Pines State Park.

Study trout anatomy with a Michigan State University Professor.

Learn fly tying at a TU supervised workshop.

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Visit our web site: obtu.org
(Find the camp presentation and an application form by following the “Youth Outreach” tab to the “Youth Summer Camp” web page).

2020 will be the thirteenth annual edition of the Illinois Council Youth Camp.