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Re: Little J No More

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Good debate.

I find it fascinating how different the general ethic is so different in the two "bloodsports" I do regularly....fly fishing for trout and hunting deer.

This past year, there was an organization (The World Hunting Federation) who wanted to have competitive "catch and release" hunting by shooting deer with tranquilizer darts and keeping score of their rack sizes. This was resoundingly declared unethical by the hunting community because it inflicted pain and caused stress on the animal with no purpose except entertainment. In hunting, inflicting pain on animals without harvest for food, hides, etc is generally considered unethical.

I then contrast this with my C and R fly-fishing.....I inflict pain and degrade trout habitat for nothing but my own jollies.

Needless to say, it all makes me very conflicted.