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I try not to get involved in these discussions. However, I felt the need to clarify misinformation regarding the removal of McCoy Dam and Cabin Hill Dam on Spring Creek. In both cases, PFBC staff noted a significant increase in trout biomass after removal of the dams. At McCoy, the PFBC documented a three-fold increase in trout biomass. This was prior to the completion of recent habitat work. We fully expect this trend to continue as fish respond to the habitat enhancement. A detailed report of fish response is on the PFBC website under http://www.fish.state.pa.us/images/fi ... fm/2009/3x03_09spring.htm. I've been involved in over 150 dam removals accross the state. I never observed long-term negative impacts to trout populations only positive responses.

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