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Re: Do you consider it ethical to advertise small streams?

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The problem on this issue is that the premises of the "keep it quiet" crowd is questionable. There can be nothing unethical unless "broadcasting" actually: 1) drives anglers to the stream or stream section; 2) drives an excessive/unbearable amount of anglers to the location; AND also drives anglers who will intentionally or not, harm the resource.

There is just way too much assuming going on to derive an ethical norm that is anything more than a prejudice.

When this topic comes up, I always say, and I think it bears repeating, that people do not get upset at the mention of stream or small streams in general, but they get upset when *their* special stream is mentioned. Now, there are a few sanctimonious exceptions, but that does not create a social norm.