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Mike

Absence of Evidence is not Evidence of Absence. I hope you understand that statement? As WulffMan said, it doesnt take a many anglers to hurt wild trout populations with a 5 fish creel limit at 7". This is obsurd that our fisheries management people can make such statements about such a precious resource. I have read both Wild Trout and Stocked Trout reports. And the management strategies in the Wild Trout report is a "stretch" to say the least and IMO will not boad well for healthy wild trout populations in PA. Where this is all coming from within the PFBC is unknown to me.

Another surprising tidbit I found that may shed some light on PA's fisheries is that for a state that has more trout water than any other in the US (I think that is right?), PA out of state licenses sales are not all that impressive. What does that say about our fisheries? It says to me that in general, anglers are not overly interested in fishing in PA. Some may like it that way but it says alot about our fisheries and how "appealing" they are to anglers elsewhere.....WHY???

For example, Arkansas, a state with very little trout water, almost doubles the amount of out of state license sales than PA. Cost of a license in both states cost within 5-10 dollars of each other.

So why do people go to Arkansas to fish and not PA??? Its not a hard question to answer, in my mind at least.

LR.