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Re: Wild Brown Trout and Special Regs

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>>I would think that it has more to do with the trout water in surrounding states. Arkansas is in an island in an otherwise trout free region, where as the states neighboring PA offer some destinations.>>

Sorta, kinda...

Actually, Missouri has some high quality wild trout fisheries, just not a whole lot of them. Eastern OK, in the Ouachita Mtns. also has some trout water, although it is pretty much all a planted fishery.

I'd say the major reason AR does this well with NR licensees targeting trout is that it is a big fish destination. I think the current world record brown trout is from Arkansas, the Little Red River. They also have a coldwater program that is on the upswing in both quality and popularity, as does MO, for that matter. Interest in trout fishing and the innovative improvement of cold water programs in the northeast are, at best, in stasis

Pennsylvania's trout fishery, while very good and especially quite varied, is not really that dissimilar from that of the rest of the states in the region in terms of quality and realistically, does not offer even a quarter of the truly large trout opportunities of the Ozark waters.

You should be glad it is so, IMO. More solitude...:0)