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If I were to harvest a wild trout, it would be a brown not a brookie. A 10" brookie has a strong hold on mating in that stream. And I would prefer to leave that fish spawn with multiple females in that stream for the next year at least. I, personally, would like to have his genes go on. If the only large fish in that stream is taken out, it would be a long time before there is another large fish in that stream (until there is an opportunity for my "shaq" theory -- but this for close fishing buddies only or in private conversations)

With reading the above, now wonder why you only see 6 inch fish in those pictures. Is it because someone comes in and take the larger fish every year or two? This is why people are so protective over releasing brookie streams.

I'm not trying to be negative, I'm just trying to let you know how things work here and why people are so protective. If you want to take a couple brookies, go ahead. After all, you paid \$31 for a license didn't you? We all know that harvesting fish isn't really a factor in fish populations in wild brook trout streams. The largest predator to a 5" brookies is an 8" brookie.