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Re: Tulpehocken Creek, Berks County?, 7/3/2012
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Yes, the Tully temps are marginal. Yes, the flows at times are not ideal. Yes, it is a low gradient stream that does not look like a typical PA mountain trout stream. Yes, some sections lack optimal cover. But for Southeastern Pennsylvania the Tulpehocken is a large stream that has significant number of holdovers and provides a good year round trout sport fishery. I do agree that when the temps get marginal one should not fish. When the temps drop you will find significant numbers of trout are still there. The PFBC's electrofishing studies reveal substantial numbers of holdover trout.

When the Tully was stocked with fingerlings the presence of holdover trout was obvious. Your electrofishing studies revealed the number of holderovers.

Section 5 – 1200 foot section – Fingerlings with NO Tackle Restrictions
5 studies between 1981 and 1984 (between 1980 and 1984 bait was allowed)
Number of Trout – 7 to 31 trout
Number of Trout greater than 12 inches (holdovers) 3 to 15

Section 5 – 1200 foot section – Fingerlings with DHALO regulations
5 studies between 1985 and 1993
Number of Trout – 134 to 195 trout
Number of Trout greater than 12 inches (holdovers) 20 to 58

20 to 58 holdovers in a 1200 foot section of stream – what more do you want.

When it is hot and dry most trout fisheries get stressed especially in Southeastern Pennsylvania.