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Re: Fly fishing the Catskills

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jwatts wrote;

" So if im understanding this correctly, Trout season is over sept.30 but you can fish the No-Kill zones?? Is there still alot of guys fishing these sections in say nov.-mar.? Would you happen to know when the 2013 trout season opens or close to the date? Sorry for all the questions... I live near the Lackawanna river in NEPA and it can be pretty much fished all year long, there are some trophy trout areas, So i was a bit confused with the NY trout ending on the 30th."

I'm only speaking about my knowledge of the open water on the Beaverkill and Willowemoc. The general trout season on those two rivers ALWAYS begins on April 01 and ends (closes) on September 30. I don't know how to be any clearer than that. The special regulation areas (No Kill) on those rivers permits angling, pursuant to the angling regulations for those No Kill sections, to be all year long. If you Google the NYS Fish Commission you will be able to read and print all pertinent data to answer all of your questions.

There are pretty good numbers of guys fishing in September and October but once the weather gets colder and there are no rising fish there are going to be very few guys fishing. Besides the trout kind of hunker down as their metabolism slows down due to the cold water. I've always thought that after November 01 it's nice to give those poor trout a break from the seven months they have been harrassed by every fly known to mankind. Go chase salmon and steelhead up in Pulaski, or in Gowanda, or any one of the streams in NYS that enter Lake Erie or Ontario.

How can a day spent on a famous trout stream ever be a waste of time? It will only be a waste of time if you go there with high expectations and are disappointed if you aren't fully successful.