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Quote:

We have to tolerate impoundments because a larger segment of the populace enjoys boating more than a pristine free-flowing trout stream or river. We have plenty of places to flyfish-- can't we sacrifice a few streams to lake anglers and, more importantly, on the large reservoirs, to recreational boaters?

Jack

Its not about sacrificing lakes for lake anglers/boaters. Nobody said that was going to be done. Its about using what "we have" and provide a better resource.

Yes, we have plenty of places to fish in PA. But how many great tailwater fisheries do we have in PA? A fishery that is considered "blue ribbon" quality? Ones that harbor high populations of trout (ie - Bighorn in MT = 7,000 fish / mile Green River = 10,000 fish /mile) and a good portion of which grow to be considered "large trout? A fishery that is attractive to many trout enthusiasts from all over the counrty? Maybe the Upper D....but that is it. Pa's fisheries are mediocre at best when considering the numbers of trout per mile and the numbers of large, wild trout that most anglers enjoy catching.

A lot of our impoundments already have the infrastructure to create such a fishery, its just a matter of better management of the water.

Jack.....have you ever fished over 7000 fish per mile? Try it, if you haven't.