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In my opinion a mix is bad. It only serves to reduce brown trout, which are currently thriving in the J. There is a carrying capacity for every stream, and based on the the number and sizes of fish reported from the 2010 survey, he Little J has reached that point. In fact it would likely benefit from some harvest. No...I do not typically harvest wild trout, but density dependent factors can limit potential of special regulation areas (for example many small fish). Also, there are very few wild rainbow fisheries in PA. Those that occur and are self-sustaining to the point of garnering a directed fishery are in true limestone spring streams. The J is a limestone-INFLUENCED stream and not a true limestomer unlike the Falling Spring or Big Spring. I just think that it is a "pipe dream" to think that bows will establish in the J or other streams in PA that do not already have established populations. When is a great brown trout fishery enough? This is not Montana. I feel that the J is fine without bows; however, this is just my opinion. Good discussions on this thread!