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Several times in recent years when I've fished the public Harvey section of Spruce, I've seen large bows (likely from club water) spawning. This is usually in Sept. I'll bet you've seen it too. Over the same period, I've also caught a good number of tiny bows in this section that I've always assumed were the wild progeny of these spawning attempts. Doesn't it make sense that some of these little bows could find they way downstream to the LJ? Or, perhaps, these big bows could be spawning in the J just as they do (or try to do) in Spruce? Perhaps the clubs are stocking fingerling bows, but I find this unlikely (and really don't care what the clubs are doing).

The obvious answer - in my view - is that bows are establishing wild populations in Spruce and that this appears to be spreading into the rest of the LJ watershed. Is this good or bad? I'm inclined to think it's a good thing. Time will tell.