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I've been in full blown salmon fever for several weeks now due to my tying spree. The steelhead fever for me never ends. My temperature just gets higher at the appropriate time of year. I hate to admit it, but I don't think I'll be up much this year. 2 little kiddos have stunted my fishing in general, but I'll still be up a handful of times this season.

The cooler weather will come, it's the rain we have to worry about. I'm actually not TOO worried about it. There's a small water table up in Erie, and 1 or 2 good rains will put us in prime position for the run. The streams rise quickly and fall quickly due to the small table. Someone posted a picture of it a year or 2 ago and really opens your eyes as to where all the water comes from that runs to the lake. It's not very much, so it won't take much rain to get us square on good water levels.

I have yet to catch a brown up there. Was my goal last year and didn't achieve it. Hooked one 3-4 pounder and saw 1 or 2 others. I'm hoping the stockings work out and we get a good handful in, but it hasn't been too promising so far. They were hoping for a 1-10 ratio of browns and steel.

Cold water temps, and good reports from the walleye guys are when it really starts going, and the charter boats have been catching steel pretty consistently with the walleye lately. I give it 2 more weeks and we'll see some small pods come in and out, and the first week of October we'll see the first big run.

I need to find a job that I only have to work about 9 months out of the year. October-December are too important to be working.