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Re: Youghiogheny River, Fayette/Sommerset Co. 9/08/2012

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Thanks again, Dave, for showing me a great float trip on a great river. It had been several years since I'd fished the Yough and, despite the downpour, this trip was one of my best fishing days in recent months - finally shook out of the slump. 😊

I was indeed surprised that streamers didn't produce more fish considering the dark skies. It's a rare day that I get more trout on dries than subsurface. I was also pleased to see the many shucks of golden stoneflies along the shoreline not to mention the other bugs. I did get out my kick seine and do a brief macro survey on Sunday morning by the bridge in Ohiopyle and then again up at Confluence just below the dam. The results were very poor so the river, obviously, remains infertile based on what little I saw. Nevertheless, it's worth remembering that a generation ago that section was virtually dead.

It's also been awhile since I've hooked good sized bows in a large river and had forgotten how hard they fight! Hearing the scream of a fly reel drag and watching the line zip away and the rod bucking.....good stuff. 😊

The fish in that river also looked as good as they fought. The rainbow DaveS is holding was probably about 18" and, as you can see, a real beauty.