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I have know idea how they would shock the wide open flats of the river in reference to the Trib article. Most of the fish would spook once you get within 15-20 feet, especially if your not in stealth mode. According to the article they found 1 trout between Ramcat and the Casselman in 1994. This year 2 trout. I know it's just a sample, but that is crazy.

I've walked the banks and could count dozens of trout in certain sections. Many being 18"+. At the right time of a hatch you could see 20+ rising trout in certain areas. I started fishing that river 22 years ago by canoe and wading and have landed over half of my largest stream caught trout from the Yough. The fish are larger and more numerous now than 22 years ago.

A part of me wants the river to be recognized for the great river that it has become, but in the back of my mind I like it the way it is. (Except that I believe it should be catch and release from the Casselman to Ohiopyle.)