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Re: Donegal C&R FFO: fall fingerling RT stocked,,Mike

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Chaz wrote:

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As an example, I was pretty certain that I knew how the wild brook trout enhancement regs, which were applied to select streams outside of SE Pa, would affect wild brook trout population abundance and size structure in the "treatment" streams based on personal observations of angler usage and later by the results of the statewide wild trout stream angler use and harvest study. Had one of those streams been in SE Pa. my thoughts certainly would not have affected the way that I would have conducted the study. In fact, scientifically speaking, finding out that I am wrong is as interesting as learning that I am right, and sometimes even more interesting.

Could you explain what you meant by this please?

My take is that Mike, from his knowledge and experience as a fisheries biologist, was of the belief that the WBTE regs (C&R for brook trout) would have little or no effect on the abundance and/or size structure of the ST population. But, even with that mind-set, if the program was in his region, he would have done everything to assure the study was conducted in the proper way. And, if he were proven wrong, he would take it like a man, eat crow, and learn something.