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I've never experienced a lack of trout in the Little Sandy. Only a lack of holding water. As far as wild trout go there are plenty in that stream, just not o much in the C&RFFO area. Again habitat is a likely issue there. Yeah there's probably poaching there and a million other places too, but if there is a lot of poaching going on it's being done by piss poor fisherman IMO. FWIW, the wild trout population in LSC seems to be a lot more robust than many streams in more remote settings, some of which get a good deal of discussion on this board.

I can't imagine that this is any sort of move to deter poaching. I think the economics of stocking fingerlings is a more a likely motivation. Even then these streams are only a drop in the bucket of the total stocking program. I'll wait for the PABC to comment on the motivation for this change, until then it just makes sense to me that they'd start it in areas where they'll recieve the least resistance.

Kev