

Subject: : Stream Reports

Topic: : Donegal Creek, Lancaster Co, 12/1/12

Re: Donegal Creek, Lancaster Co, 12/1/12

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Quote:

dc410 wrote:

I guess referring to it as the fall stocking program was inaccurate from my part (as I was referring to the fingerling stocking that they tried this year). I did not catch any holdovers either, however I only fished a very short time period and covered very little water. I may have to spend some more time this winter covering more stream to get a better feel on things. The main point of my last post was that what may seem annoying to you could possibly leave a indullable mark in a young anglers mind and maybe kick off their flyfishing career. Donegal Creek has changed a whole lot since I started fishing it in the early 80's. However, it still offers us decent access to a special regulation section of a limestone spring creek in Lancaster County which I still feel is worth a lot. It's a very dynamic world we live in and some things that we feel we should have more control over, in the big picture, we really don't. Hope you get a chance to get into some holdovers this winter. Tight lines.

Agree on all these points - I wasn't trying to demean the fingerlings or the "sport" they offer. My youngest daughter was thrilled to reel one in (and that experience is worth it regardless of the size or species of the fish). My personal preference would be to target the adult trout that are present and the presence of the fingerlings made that difficult. I am interested to see how they hold up over the year, how they move around, and if a surprise viable fishery might develop, especially if the locals realize they're just stocking "dinks", which are hardly worth poaching.