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I fished Muddy Creek FFO section Sunday afternoon with a friend, from about 1:15 - 5:15. Water temperature was about 45 degrees, which just about matched the air temperature. There was some slight insect activity but nothing that I was able to see close-up and positively identify. Last year, I encountered little stoneflies, so maybe that's what was emerging.

The water was extremely clear; the rain and drizzle from the day and night before did nothing to add any sort of turbidity to the water. We definitely moved fish but I found most of them short striking, especially if I could see them. I surmise they could see me as well 😊 The areas that I did well in were in mostly deeper water, where the current moving would block their view of me. The wind was definitely strong at points, making casting difficult, and it reminded me that it is still winter time.

I caught my fish (no wilds, all stocked) on white sucker spawn and olive wooly buggers. I had many half-hearted takes at the sucker spawn, again, especially with visible fish. And I had many half-hearted stabs at the bugger.

With the exception of Opening Day, and maybe a trip to some presason DHALO or FFO sections, this will probably be the majority of my stocked fishing. However, I felt the fish were well distributed and saw quite a few larger 16"+ fish, perhaps more so than I've noticed in recent years.