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Re: Fishing access: A story of people, property and profits

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Yeah, migratory fish are tough. For normal stocked waters, if a landowner posts it from the public, they just don't stock it. If there are wild fish, well, good for the landowner. He's still not benefitting from fish supplied by public funds.

But migratory fish are different, they move. Sections of stream are public and others are private, so either you let the private sections benefit from public funds, or you take away the fishery in the public areas too.

I do sympathize with landowners who post for reasons other than procuring a private fishery with public fish. Litter, privacy, idiots parking on their lawns, etc.

The ideal solution, to me, in these situations is that if an owner excludes the public at large, that's fine, he has every right to do that. But that water becomes a no fishing zone, for everyone. The water itself, and those fish, are not privately owned. They are publicly owned. We have every right to do that. To me it's a fair solution.