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Stocking also helps keep streams open to fishing. The PFBC gets permission to stock which they then do which opens up private land for us to fish on. If you look at a stream like Martins Creek whose banks are 95 % private, if it weren't stocked, I doubt access would be allowed. Same goes for stretches of Pocono, McMichael, Pohopoco, Bushkill, Monocacy, Little Schuylkill, et al. All have wild trout of varying degrees and we non truck chasers can fish there only because they are stocked waters.

Also bare in mind streams can only support so much trout and most of their capacity is dictated by flows, temps, food, cover, etc. Stocking IMO has little to no affect on much wild trout a stream holds.