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I took my kids to Middletown Reservoir late Saturday afternoon. My kids are young and I knew the sub freezing temps wouldn't make an enjoyable trip for them in the AM. I fished the DHALO on Manada Creek in the morning and drove by Middletown Reservoir on the way home right around noon. I would have been hard pressed to find a place to get off of the road. I counted 57 vehicles there.

I returned with the kids just before 4:00. It was still crowded but nothing like earlier. Within an hour and a half, the kids had caught eight fish and kept two each that had swallowed the hook. We quit fishing after they each had two on a stringer.

I didn't see many people catching fish, so I don't know if there were a lot badly hurt fish released. The problem I saw was a good number of dads fishing. I saw dads actively fishing whose kids weren't within 50 yds of them. I fully understand that kids need help but I don't see any excuse for what I witnessed on Saturday.

Overall, what I saw was a success. My kids had a fantastic time. It was my son's first time fishing and my daughter's first time for trout. I think it is a great opportunity for kids. It's just a shame that some people are so willing to take advantage of a day like that... at least they weren't catching fish.