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Re: Cicadas

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Fishidiot wrote:

Testudo,

The 17 year cicadas are spotty depending on where you live and it's not always clear where they will emerge. I have found the published "brood" maps to be inaccurate (at least in my neck of the woods). Here in Adams County, we had big emergences in 1987 and again in 2004 and I was able to fish the "hatch" both those years. However, it was not county wide. In the immediate Gettysburg area the trout streams had 'em and the fishing was good. Up on South Mountain, they did not emerge. My records from 2004 indicate that I first saw them on May 14th and that withing about a month they were gone.

Here in central PA, the distribution was also very patchy. In some places they were very heavy, and other places there were just a few, and in other places they just weren't there at all.

They seem to be more common where the soils are deep and either very fertile (limestone country) or at least moderately fertile.

The real rocky, thin, acidic soils types of places don't seem to have them.