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I understand the statement "don't stock over wild trout populations"
and I mostly agree with it.....I think the issue that the PFBC runs into is most anglers don't fish for wild trout. Particularly brookies that mostly run 5-8 inches in the streams in my area. Some class D streams fish well, some class A streams don't. It is very difficult to delineate what gets stocked just by class and being on the natural repro list.

For instance; I live in Clearfield, PA. Great native and wild trout fishing exists all around me. But within 20 miles of town there may be about 8 ATW give or take. All of these ATW hold native populations (except maybe the West Branch of Susq). I wish most of them weren't stocked, but I also realize license sales and revenue for PFBC from this area would drop off a cliff if these streams weren't stocked. The best native fishing I have found recently is actually not on ATW so it doesn't bother me too much that others get to enjoy something I don't really agree with.

Overall, I am in the minority and I know this. The country/state/local government is run by the majority (or is supposed to be). It is completely out of line to think that my opinion as a wild/native fly fisherman trumps all of the other trout fisherman in my area.