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Re: Valley Creek, chester co., 4/11

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Downstream tactics have their place, but I nearly always try to fish upstream, and not downstream, especially in small streams...here's why:

Since the fish face upstream in the current, they are more likely to spot you or become spooked by your casting movements.

And again, since the fish are facing you upstream, you are much more likely to pull the fly *from* the mouth of the fish rather than into it and in the corner of the mouth when fishing downstream.

All the disturbance in the water and silt are carried downstream when wading, the same direction you are fishing.

When drift your fly downstream, your fly is drifted over and past the fish until it drags, so you are showing a dragging fly to the the fish you will be targeting next, when travelling downstream. And worse yet, you must pick up your line for your next cast right over those fish.