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Subject: : Paflyfish General Forum

Topic: : IS this brown a native fish!?

Re: IS this brown a native fish!?

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Quote:

mute wrote:

And as far as the damage to the fish, yea it was out of the water longer then id usually care for, and not treated as delicately as i usually would. But the fact of the matter was i don't expect that fish to live past tomorrow anyway seeing this stream is poached ethically and unethically almost every day.

To preface, I just want to clarify that I was not offended about your post or your question. No way to tell from your video if the brown was wild or not. Just not close enough of a shot to see the details. And to finish off Ryan's point, I caught a 5" stocker brown on Elk last week. I don't even know why they stock them that small. They will not live and they are below the minimum size to keep them. Makes no sense to me...

As for the handling of the bow. Hey, you have to make those choices on how to handle fish. Everyone one this forum has handled a fish like that at some point. We need to do a better job of leading on these topics than beating up people.

Now, here's is the man to man issue I would raise in your above statement: Regardless of what you think might happen to that fish in the future, you can't make that an excuse to handle it poorly today. The reality is, you don't know sure. If you knew your best friend wasn't going to live past tomorrow, you would be very respectful the day before, not treat him worse. So, yea it's a stocker, but why not give the thing all of the dignity you can. After all, you already hooked him in the mouth and yanked him out of his house against his will 😊 That's just food for thought.