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As owner of Harman's, a few basic things need to be identified.

(1) Our business is a private lodging business. The property and the land is posted/private for guests, because they pay to lodge at our log cabins. It would be private with/without trout fishing stream access. It is only fair to our lodging guest(s), who pay for privacy.

(2) Our busiest months are July and August (not trout fishing months). Our biggest group of clients are on vacations/honeymoons, and outdoor recreational fun. July and August as an example, 95% of our trout have died. A small spring holds about 200 trout, but eagles, otters, and other predators are hard on these fish as they bunch up to survive.

(3) The trout fishery was created by Harman's stocking program. If we stop stocking trout, within months to 1 year no trout will be found. And this question will not longer be asked, because there will be "no trout".

(4) Harman's stocks trout to provide a fishing experience to our lodging customer's. Again, without Harman's this stream will not have trout, so we believe we have improved the fishing both at our property and up/downstream.

(5) To fly fisherman who do not fish over stocked trout, only wild trout, you should consider other properties for trout fishing, but many of those great streams are in PA. WV has streams that hold a wild population of trout but they are (1) often decimated by sportsman keeping trout (2) Predators. (3) drought. Our local TU works very hard to keep these streams open/active to the public. We have a great relationship with WVTU and support 6 different regions and their annual event at Snowshoe, WV.

(6) Finally, Harman's is a great place for everyone, especially girlfriends, wives and kids to R&R at a log cabin along a beautiful stream in the heart of Wild and Wonderful WV.

Aside:: During the tourney the stream was running at 600cfs, today its at 9000cfs. Trout are being scattered all along the north fork river.

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