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Was on Vally Creek casting to a couple of trout when I noticed a disturbance a little out of my sight that I thought was a trout rising. Turns out it was about a 3 foot fairly skinny water snake that had grabbed a trout – not a small one- about a foot long brown. He had ahold of the fish's back near the rear and I watched as the trout kept pulling him in the water while struggling to get away. This went on for 30 yards or so before they went out of sight around a bend. I'm not sure how it ended but my guess is snake 1, trout 0.

Also unfortunately saw a Styrofoam nightcrawler cup that I didn't see yesterday. It's legal to fish them where I was but then again I'm guessing a trout deep hooked on a size 6 hook isn't going to make it when released. I'm assuming it/they weren't released and that's not legal.