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Chaz, I agree with Dave.

Heritage strain - true natives, never mixed. How many "strains" there are depends on how narrowly you define the term "strain". But a geneticist with enough background data could test a fish of unknown origins and likely tell you exactly what stream it came from.

Mixed strain - interbred. Could be multiple heritage strains interbreeding, due to man moving them around. It could be interbreeding with stockies. If so, that interbreeding could have happened in the 1920's for all we know, when the stocked strain was VERY different than today's. It does not mean they are interbreeding TODAY. This study shows that the modern Virginia strain of stockies are breeding amongst themselves, but not interbreeding with the wilds in these few particular streams. That's all it shows. It's perfectly feasible for both studies to be correct.