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Re: Summer Heat & Water Temperatures
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> pwk5017 wrote:
> I dont want to undermine the "respect the temps!" theme, but its really more about DO than temps. I was fishing the yough down near connellsville this weekend--bass fishing i might add, so dont jump on my back about temps! Anyways, if you look at the gauge, it would have said like 72-76 degrees, surely trout must have been dying left and right, BUT look at the DO chart. Levels have been getting into the high 7.0s in the MORNING. Trout really need 7.0 and above to comfortably survive(ive read that 6.0 is when death occurs). That part of the river becomes inhospitable for trout later on, but the point is, the stocked trout in that area would have been in warm water, but healthy living conditions. Also, just because temps are lowest in the morning, doesnt mean the DO is highest in the morning. Complete opposite actually. Algae produce o2 throughout the day and use it at night. Just before dawn, the DO levels will be lowest. Just some food for thought on the topic.

Trout don't die right and left at temperatures higher then 70, they just stop feeding and start losing weight. it take temps of 79 and 80 degrees to kill trout outright. But that doesn't mean you can still fish for them, however in stocked streams if you want a last chance to harvest a few leftovers, have at it.