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The Codorus Trophy Trout designation arrived at by the PF&BC when the special regulation reduction occurred in the early "2000's". It was originally under selective Harvest regulations allowing for harvest of browns over 12" and Brooks over I believe 9". The Brooks are gone now...

Trophy Trout regulations were the only "fit" for harvest restrictions that also allowed artificial lures and excluded stocking. (which the codorus does not need since its a Class A wild Trout Stream.

Harvest does indeed occur there as well as the use of bait.. Though I am pretty sure the actors are stealthy but sloppy in their techniques. They leave styrofoam bait containers lying on the gravel bars of the big holes. Local Kids mostly...just enjoying a day on the water.

Back when I was semi-retired I used to fish it during the week and was assured a 1/2 dozen to a dozen dish in a couple hours fishing short beats. It got to the point that it became a pitch and putt. A birdie would be a 12+" fish in an undercut bank or tree root hole. You had to weed through the small "Sentry" fish at the backs of the holes to get to the big fish feeding in the riffles.

One day working a familiar beat I did everything right. and could not find the "pool bosses" in four consecutive holes...I was confused but also surprised at the amount of footprints on the gravel point bars adjacent to the holes. Then I got to the last hole and the on the gravel bar were two empty worm containers...