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My view is that the Salmon R is the most reliable - from mid September through mid May you can be pretty sure that something will be in, high water or low. That is why the crowds are there as well. Plus it is easy to find info on the Salmon. There aren't any secret spots on the Salmon. I guess that's the same for the Niagara, but it is so big it is intimidating to me.

The smaller tribs all have fish and are a blast. First issue is that you need good water levels for them to fish well. Too high or too low and it is tough and the fish will run back out if conditions aren't right. Also, the smaller the trib the harder it is to find information about it. Sound like native brookie fishing? Therefore, generally need to do some exploring on the smaller water. That takes time, but it is something most people don't do and you may find a hole with a pod of fish in all to yourself. However, on occasion if the word goes out a bunch of locals can crowd a hole as well. Some tribs coming off the Tug Hill Plateau look like mountain brookie streams. Catching 10 lbs fish in a stream where a 10 incher is usually considered a big fish can be a riot - if you catch it.

You know there will be fish in the Salmon - but so does everyone else. The smaller tribs take more work to uncover, but have their own rewards and less crowds.