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My experience with mid-summer Smallies in deep, slow water is very similar...they're very tough to catch. They're not spooky...they'll cruise by within feet of you, but they won't hit anything you throw at them. As some of the previous posters have mentioned, try targeting some of the mid depth runs with more current. Look for almost "Trouty" looking lies. They won't get as good of a look at your offering in that kind of water and will generally be more aggressive to strike this time of year. That much current will usually be enough to keep the Sunnies away too - they don't like direct current.

I had a very similar outing this week...Smallies cruising the deep, slow holes right in front of me but the only places I caught Smallies were mid depth, moderate current runs.