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Re: How do you explore new waters?

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Sometimes a trip is much more of a scouting expedition than an actual fishing trip.

yup. i learned that long ago. thats why i tend to scout more in the mid summer and mid winter, rather than 'waste' a valuable fishing saturday or sunday in the spring and fall (be it trout or salt..).

in summer, the low flows mean you can see stream bed structure, and in winter there's a lot less brush, foliage - often meaning bushwacking in is a lot easier because you can see the creek or at least the vee, and no ticks either.

plus its cool to come back 4 months later and see it all grown out.

for bushwacking i always recommend a gps though.

in terms of parking, I sometimes look for an Elementary School lot near a creek (many back right on) - its unlikely to be used on a weekend, and if the guardian sees you with a rod they figure you may be odd but not a dangerous kind of odd.

Similarly on a weekday i'll look for church lots - where once I was challenged by a kindly pastor, and who i pointed out to gently that Jesus chose Fishermen as his Apostles and he should let me proceed accordingly...lol. (he did)

in the evenings, look for businesses that close at 5pm - hair salons often have an empty lot.

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