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Welp, with mother nature teasing us with this cooler, rainy, "fall-like" weather, I couldn't take it anymore, so this past weekend, decided to roll out to Erie, and walked up to one of my secret spots on 20 mile. To my astonishment, I was able to find a few pods of fresh steelhead all to myself. Sure enough, got several takes on crystal schminnows and chartreuse globugs, landed 4. Suddenly, had one whack my fly that had to be well over ten pounds, she ran down a few riffles with me hot on her tail, then finally managed to get below her, and get a net on her. Was about to get a photo, when the alarm went off, and it was Monday morning, and I had to go to work :(.

Yes, eventhough it's still a bit early, myself and many of my buddies are starting to get that so called "steelhead gleam," in our eyes, where we start to hit refresh on the USGS water data website on Walnut every time the boss isn't looking, tie countless sucker spawns and other experimental patterns eventhough we have hundreds leftover from last year, and begin to check the FishErie forums and 15 day forecasts for Erie more than we check the forecast for our hometowns.

With all that in mind, decided it's time to start the yearly steelhead thread. Feel free to join.