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The_Sasquatch wrote:

In the case of Berks, since it's a limestoner my guess is that it always had the potential to be a CW stream but lack of cover and things like that probably warmed it up in the summer. Perhaps there's better cover now? That's just my guess.

last night I was reading through Joe Armstrong's original TU guide to PA limestoners. it seems that in the late 80's, Berks, Bucks and Lancaster Co's had dozens of limestone streams with lethal temps caused by pollution, damming, lack of cover, too much silt etc.

a wild guess would be that water treatment has improved - leaching into streams is now uncommon, cover has grown up, and the floods of 2011 and 2012 washed away much of the silt from historical redds, and the bigger rivers are cleaner allowing larger trout to spawn in the tribs.

I found some passages in the book that were absolutely intriguing - including wild rainbows in a well known Berks co streams trib.

there was a stream in far northern bucks that had wild brookies even back then.

both streams are on my winter walking list.