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Re: Creel limit changes: typically not the effect that you might expect

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Mike wrote:

...You'll see that although there was projected a slight, but insignificant, reduction in total harvest when the creel limit dropped from 8 to 5, it turned out that there was no reduction in total harvest. What had projected to be a slight change turned out to be no change, which is as insignificant as you can get. Under both creel limits the harvest was 138 trout per 100 anglers. Perhaps there was a redistribution of the catch, but I doubt that it was significant. The better anglers probably continued to catch and harvest most of the fish...

I'm guessing that the numbers of fish harvested didn't change much because most license holders typically don't catch more than 5, let alone 8, trout in a day. The change only affected the small portion who regularly catch more.