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

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Well Dan touched on it. I think what Mike is saying is that it don't matter what the creel limit is the same number of fish get harvested. Something to ponder...

- the study if done in 2002 co-incided with a 20% reduction trout stocking across the stare. So thats less available trout to harvest yet still the numbers remained the same.

I am pretty sure Mike is just making an observation...not telegraphing policy changes. Of course his supposition is that we are all FOS and reducing the creel limit was not necessary. But stats can be whatever you want them to be as in..the total trout stocked was reduced and there was no decease in harvest...meaning the trouts were utilized more effectively. Furthermore. Closing hatcheries and eliminating second stockings and removing streams from the stocking list has very little to do with havest rates.

Meaning: if we remove all the class b streams from the stocking lists there will be no significant changes to the number of fish hanging from a stringer of those wishing to harvest.

In other words it don't matter how many fish are put in or where they put them the proficiency of gut hookers has peaked. Thats how I read it.