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Re: Panfish invading a trout stream!
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> Aside from feeding the bigger browns, it would seem that alot of the spawn would get wiped out by these gangs of sunfish. Am I missing something? Seems like 30-40 2 inch bluegill sharing a pool with a few 7 inch trout will make it hard on the trout. BTW, I thought about tossing the sunnies I caught but thought it futile.

I was thinking the same thing about the spawn of the trout being effected. I guess only time will tell....

And the thought of the panfish competing for food with the trout also crossed my mind, but I noticed that if there were any hungry, non-spooked trout in a pool they were the first fish to attack my fly, not the sunfish. After I caught/missed/spooked the trout the only fish left in the pool that were interested in my flies were the sunnies. So pretty much the trout had first shot at my flies, and if they didn't want them then the panfish could have at it. Just an observation.

Next time I visit the stream will probably be either this winter(if it's not too icy) or next spring sometime. Definitely want to see what the panfish situation is like then.

fwiw, you can keep(not "toss on the bank") 50 panfish a day. With that said I'd be interested in seeing how mother nature handles it..