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Well, as I've said here before...if you want it to be like the golden olden days of yore that none of us ever experienced, you're gonna have to dam the stream back up again and create a series of brookie ponds to recreate that fishery. And you could do this in the ditch since the breastworks still exist, then we'd be fishing from the paved road and where you stand now to fish the ditch you'd either be treading water or sitting in a float tube. This stream is nothing like what it used to be, and nothing like what it was when it first earned its reputation, those days are long, long gone.

The rainbows are there to stay in BigSpring, folks just need to realize this and accept it.

And regarding heritage strains, there is a study currently happening to determine this. Samples are being taken for comparision to what PFBC feels is a true example of heritage brookie for the watershed. It's my understanding that this was done previously many years ago, and they found only 60ish% purity of something or other, don't remember the exact details of quantifying this. But that was done 20-30 yrs ago and I would expect the true native population to be even more diluted now. It'll be interesting to see the results of the study, but don't expect it to influence any management decisions with regard to the fishery.

Whoever is banking the rainbows is a small, bitter and ignorant person. Hope they throw the book at 'em.