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Mike,

On streams where the state is trying to establish a more wild system of stocking, has planting boxes with wild fish eggs (purchased from Montana or harvested from wild fish stock locally)? What would happen if you stripped eggs from a few letort browns, a few spring creek browns and then hatched them under the controlled conditions of a hatchery? If you raised those fish until they were 5" and then stocked them, would the still keep the wild traits and be successful spawners? It seems that doing something along those lines would produce a heartier fish in comparison to the grain fed ones with a gene pool that's been all but used up. It would be on a pretty small scale so that you don't cause fish number problems on the waters where you capture the adult egg producers. Just curious.