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I would think that Salmonid has it about right - most medium sized streams probably have 22-24" fish that you'll never see in daylight, but 30" is rare anywhere where wild trout live.

I'd think you'd be looking at fish that are almost completely nocturnal who mostly feed on crayfish, sculpins, chubs, shiners and trout parr, and live in what Charlie Brooks called a bomb shelter near deep water.

Reading through the old literature it seems many of the monsters in the old days came from the deep pools below junctions at night, or below dams, weirs or hatchery gates.

The fish have to be able to safely access a constant stream of protein otherwise they'll just drop down to a larger river or lake or even run to the sea to meet their needs, or they'd just probably get caught by a predator like us.

Aaron Jasper seems to write a lot about east coast big brownies, it might be worth reading his articles on the Croton etc.