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I recently acquired 11 acres of property of which contains a small unnamed tributary to Tunkhannock Creek in Monroe County. Typical Pocono tanic brookie stream. This first order stream has a brook trout population. The length of the stream on my property is roughly a half mile. The banks are choked with mountain laurel. There is one stretch about 50 yards in length that has some openings for fishing. I'd love to fish more of this stream but I don't know if making changes will provide more harm than benefit. Basically, I'd like to selectively cut some laurel so I can fish more of the stream. Any suggestions or should I just leave it alone as is?

Yes, I'm aware of bow/arrow casting, dapping, etc... for tight quarters fishing.

Also, there are some log jam pools (as pictured below) that have occurred naturally over time. Is it a good/bad idea to man make some additional holes with hopes of creating better fish habitat?


The pictures below shows the small "open" section and one of the log jam holes where I've picked up brookies.

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