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Actually I thought it was still OK in 2000 - 2001 but not as good as some earlier years. Having it made a 'Heritage Stream' helped it I believe. Does it still have that designation? Back in the 'good old days' an 18" fish was seldom returned and honestly, I never liked the lower creek and so can not say that I ever caught an 18" fish from Slate.

I always considered 14" to be a real dandy when fishing there and I always estimated size with some reality thrown in to go with my estimates. There could have been a couple larger ones who came unbuckled from my hooks but 14 - maybe a 15 or so were big fish. I'm talking about brown trout when I site those sizes., I can count the wild brook trout over 15" that I ever caught in PA. on my fingers and maybe need just one toe to sum up the fish. I did catch one that was killed and measured a full 18" back in 1973 but not at Slate Run. Do you guys really believe that the number of big brown trout that drew so many anglers to those holes behind the old Manor Inn and upstream for the first 2 miles were getting that big and populous by natural means? 🤔

Sure some fish from Pine come in to spawn in the fall but there were always too many reports of way too many huge fish being caught by out of the area anglers who had hired a guide for me to believe. Fish like brown trout who grow to 18 or 20 inches in a small creek like Slate don't get caught every day by some guy standing at the shoreline casting a San Juan Worm, not unless the fish are planted I believe I know the rest of the story there but it would be a case where I would need to be water boarded before I would tell all on a forum 🗣️

Any way it's good to find Bob on his home forum board and good to hear from all you other fellows.

Ard