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Who does the proposal benefit... how about the valuable resource that is naturally reproducing trout? Stocked trout compete for resources, dilute genetics, and suppress wild trout. It's been proven in studies. The fact that these wild trout thrive even though they have been stocked over is more reason to protect them.

To answer the question of why are there so many wild trout. They obviously found a niche in the biotic community that's allowing them to survive.

To answer the why now question. Why would the PFBC waste their money and further dilute a valuable resource? Maybe they're taken their motto of "Resource First" to heart? Maybe it's as simple as this stream just got assessed and it was now brought to the agency's attention? Maybe something changed in the biotic community to allow the trout to thrive in these streams?

You say "they [PFBC] get people that fish for stocked trout and people that fish for wild trout". As a wild trout enthusiast, if I'm targeting wild trout and I know they put pelletheads in a stream, said stream is no longer in play.