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I think, then, you are both\* seeing in the discussion what you want to see. The results were posted; some praise was lavished on the stream; then afishinado suggested it was a possibility that cropping was occurring and that is another explanation for the 14" drop-off. Sal said he was "thinking the same thing" and then by means of rolling eyes emoticon, insinuated once again the unspoken accusation of the broad conspiracy the PFBC conducts to screw catch and release anglers; next comes two claims of "anecdotal evidence" of alleged cropping.

It was at this point that I showed the Spring Creek results, suggesting for consideration that 14"+ trout in small or medium sized (though extremely fertile) streams may not be capable of sustaining the same high population as smaller, but still decent-sized trout, etc. Each of my replies have focused on that issue-- that is, whether the drop-off of 14"+ fish is more likely to be the result of typical trout stream dynamics or the nefarious effects of permitting harvest of large trout.

Now, if each of your alls' replies, etc., were really just arguments about what "would be nice" to have as regs on that stream, I apologize, but then I would humbly suggests that you owe me as much an apology for saying something (at least until just now) that was entirely different.

\* now I can include Sal, too. Will Ken join soon?