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The most important danger in backcountry fishing is driving there and driving home. I'm not joking about this. Nothing else is even remotely close.

Second would be deer ticks = Lyme disease.

Snakes, bears etc. are WAY down the list.

Backcountry fishing is my favorite fishing and I've been doing it for about 35 years. I've never carried a gun, and none of my fishing buddies ever has either. And never had an occasion where one was needed.

I like to travel light, but if you are going to add weight, the best things to carry would be:

Rain gear and a fleece top, to prevent hypothermia if you get caught in nasty weather, and you WILL sooner or later if you do a lot of this.

A couple of Power Bars, for energy if you get lost and spend the night in the woods.

A Bic lighter so you can build a fire, if you spend the night in the woods.

It's good to go with a buddy, so if you break a leg, he can go get help. Falling is a danger out there. Take your time, don't rush around.

In many of these areas, there is no cell phone coverage.