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Re: Plague of Locusts Coming

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Quote:

troutbert wrote:

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dryflyguy wrote:

After checking out the cicada mania website, it looks like this brood is gonna be confined to a pretty small area of western PA:

From Pittsburgh north to I-80. And stretching eastward to around Indiana.

Missing the Laurel Highlands area

Cicadas don't like infertile soils. They probably never occur in the real mountainous areas in the Laurel Highlands.

I've seen this here in Centre and Clinton Counties. The cicadas are thick where the soils are good. Where the soil is thin, rocky, and acidic, you don't find cicadas.

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Actually, they emerged in the Laurel Highlands two years ago - although they were very spotty.

I remember driving in certain areas - seeing and hearing them. Then suddenly, it got quiet and I'd see none for awhile. Then suddenly, I'd start seeing them again.

Your soil fertility factor would certainly help explain why that was.

I did find fishable emergences of them along certain sections of Laurel Hill and Dunbar Creeks - and the Yough River