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Jack,

Depends on your definition of "significant", and it also depends on which stream we're talking about here. Big Poe is a nice little brookie stream in its own right above the lake. It's fair sized down in the Poe Paddy area. Yeah, it holds a few wild fish down there, both browns and brookies, but they mostly stick to near the mouth of cold water tribs or go into Penns itself in the summertime; Big Poe gets kinda warm despite the relatively fast flow and heavy canopy. Thats why its stocked down there and not a wild trout fishery.

To quantify it, you need only to take the temperature above the lake and below it in August. I've done it, I don't remember numbers but it was significant. As for Penns, its not so much that the warming effect from a small trib is all that significant, its that it takes away a needed thermal refuge. The flow from Big Poe hugs that bank the whole way down through that long slow pool.