


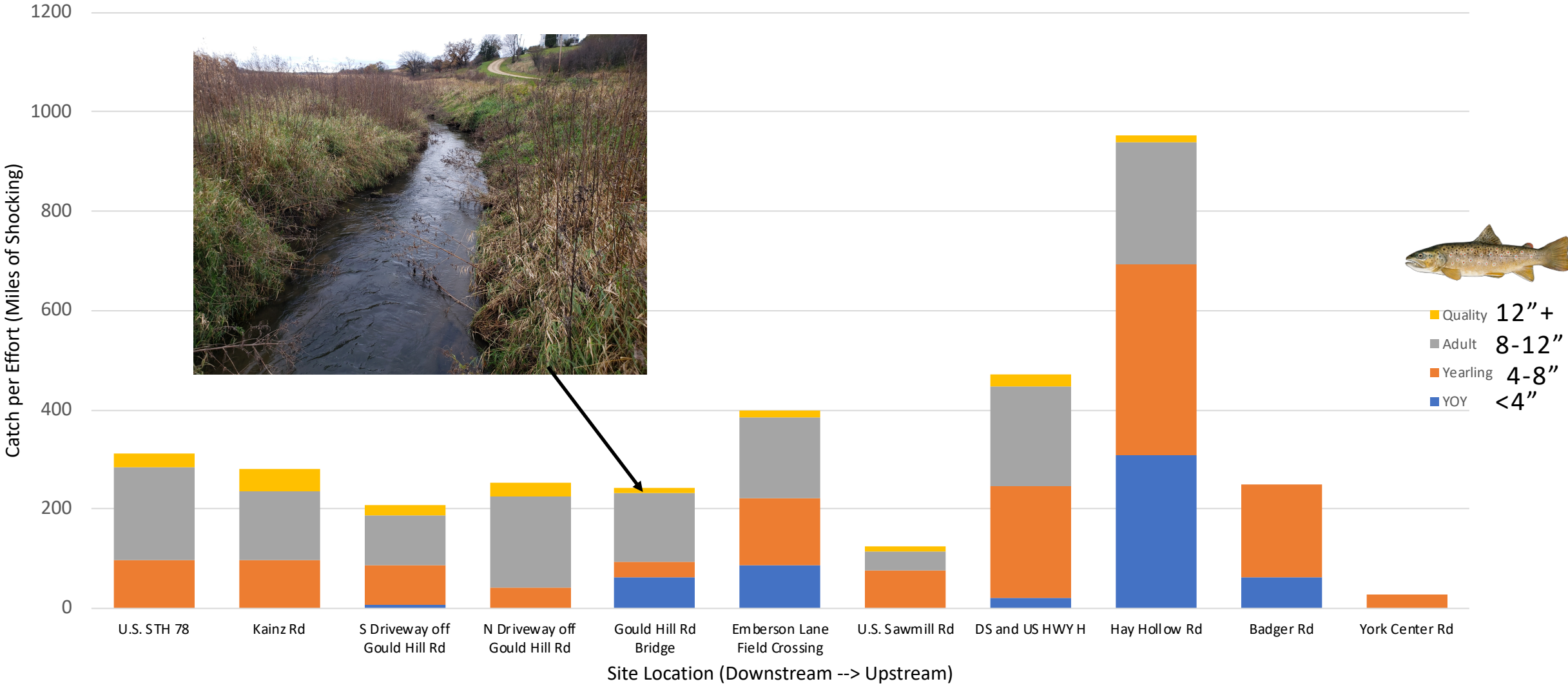


# Brown Trout Status and Trends in Area Trout Streams

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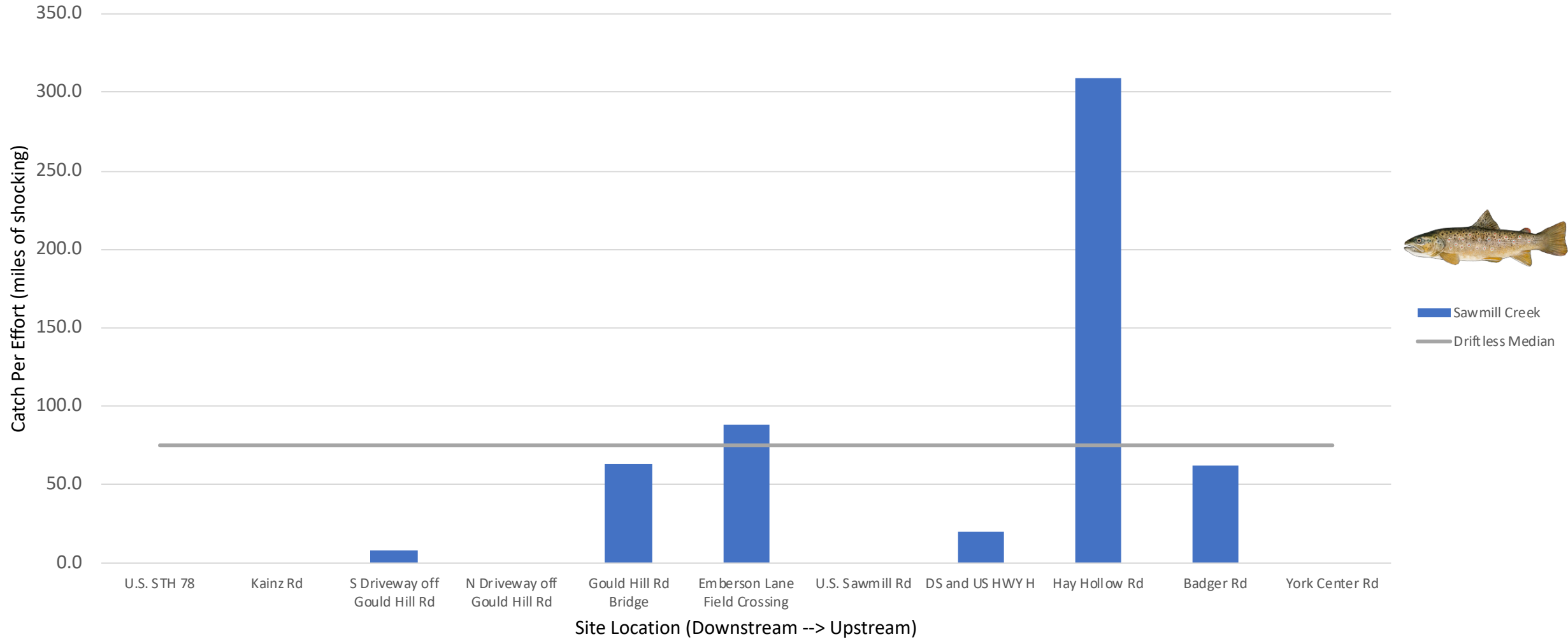


# Sawmill Creek Size Specific Catch Rates 2018



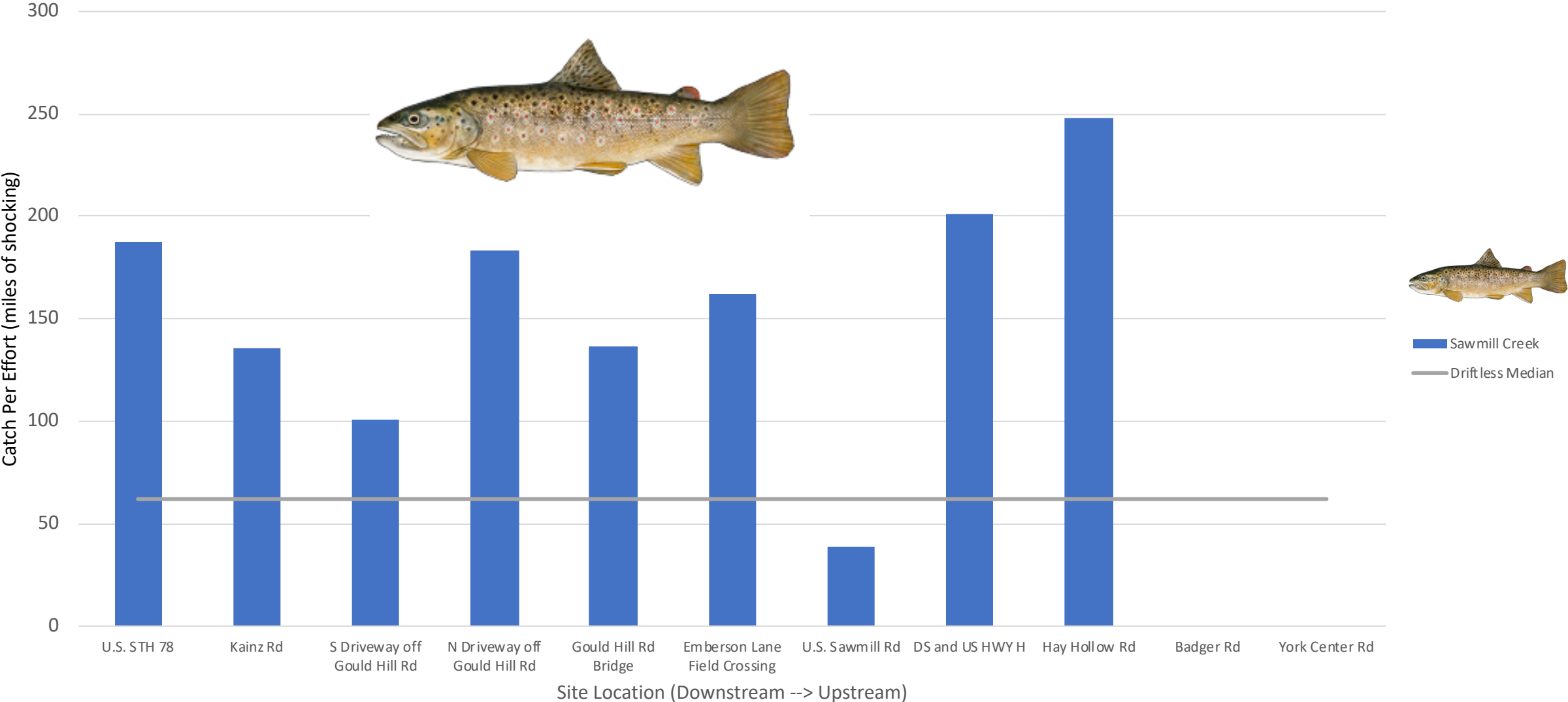


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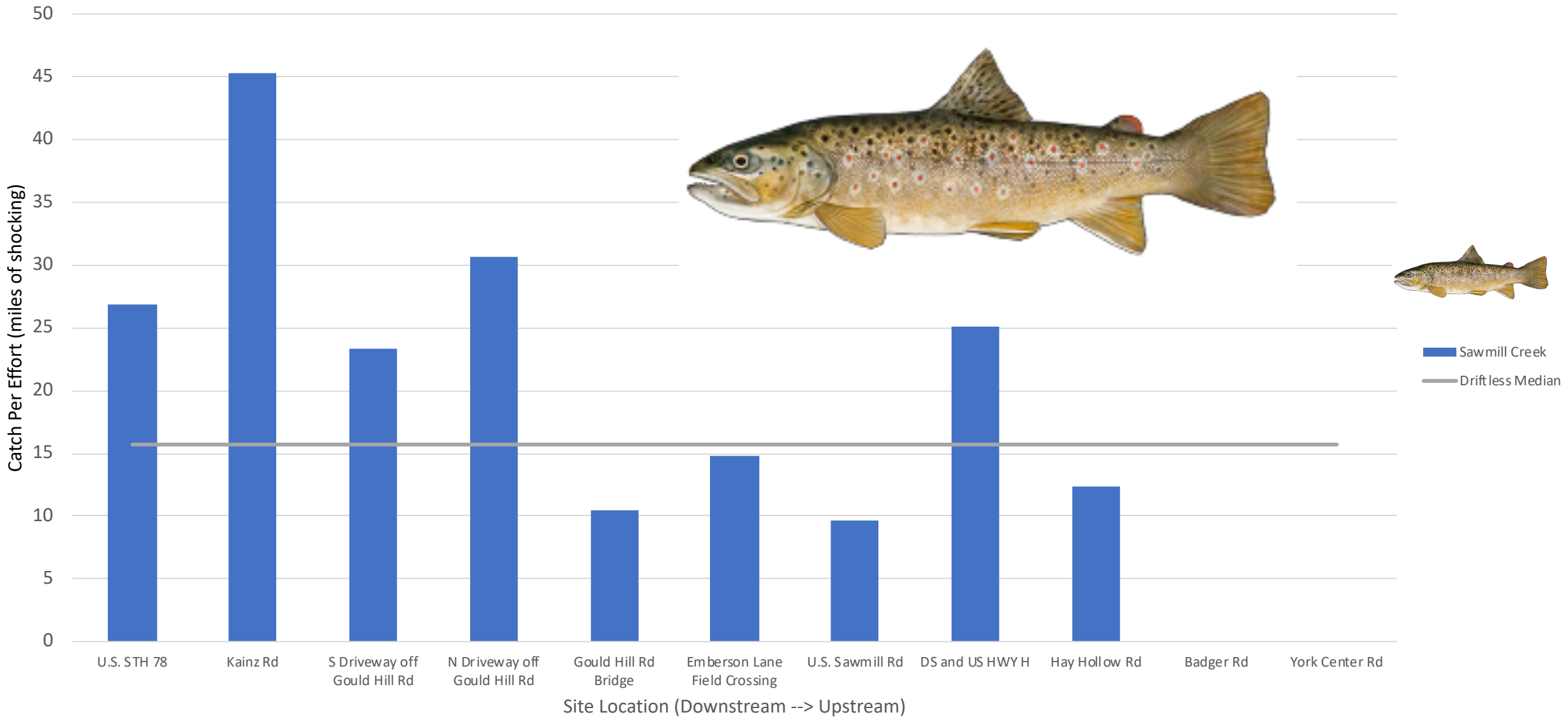


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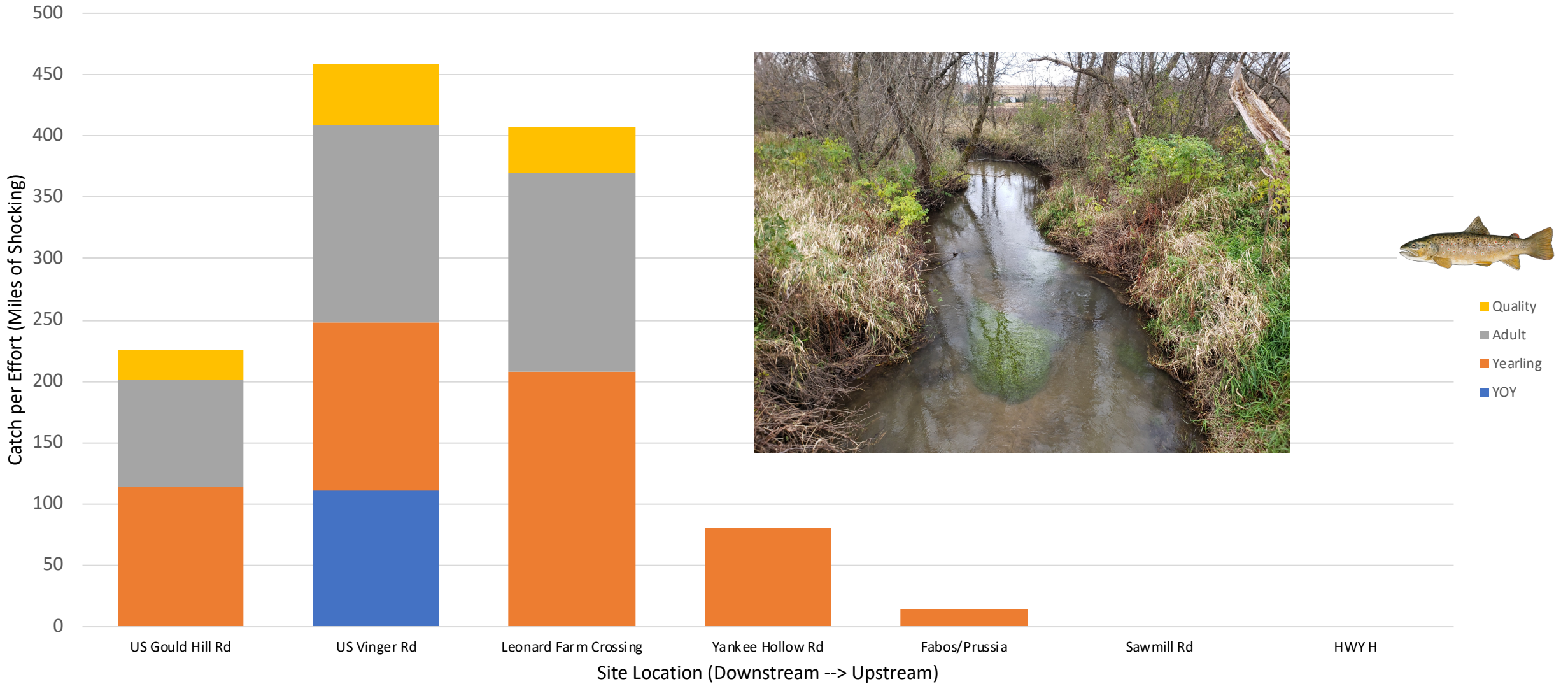


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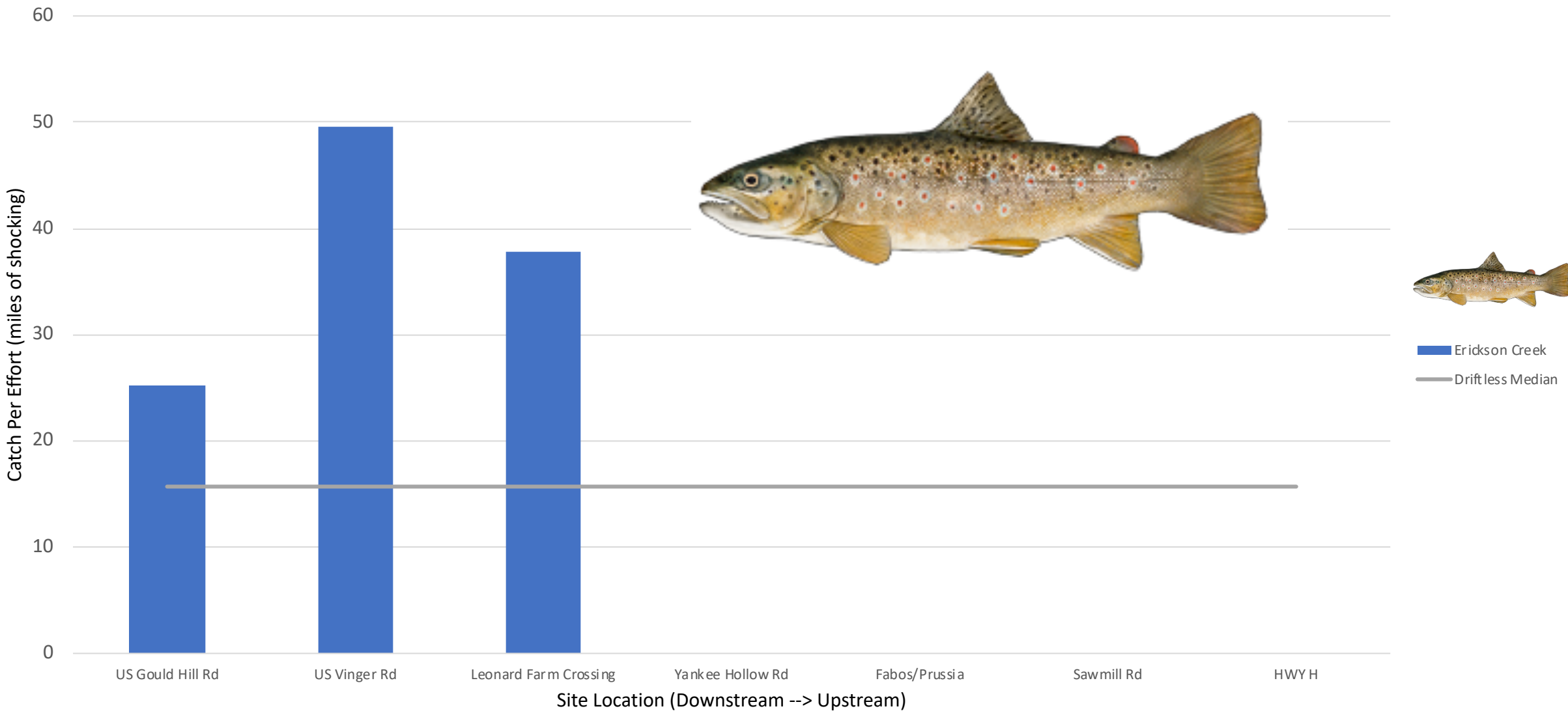


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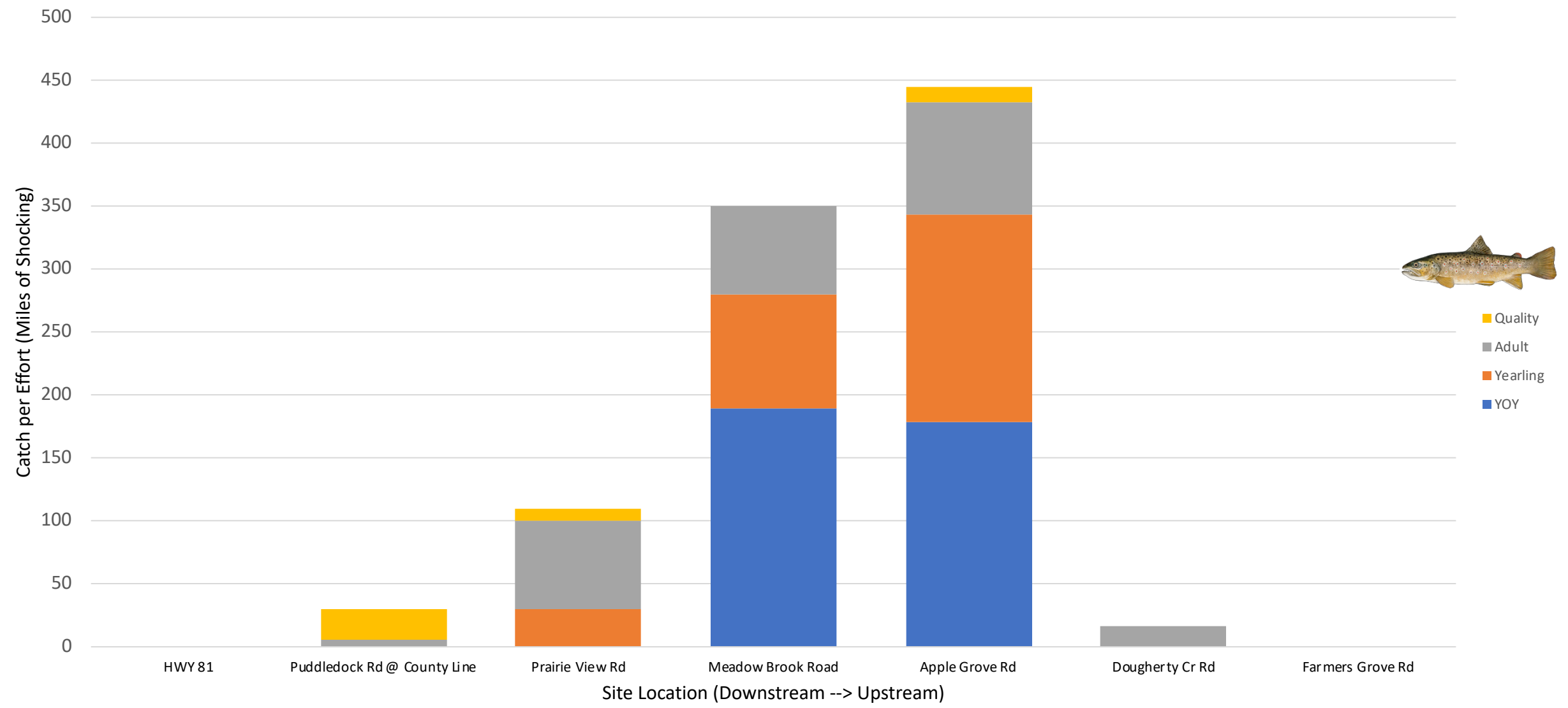


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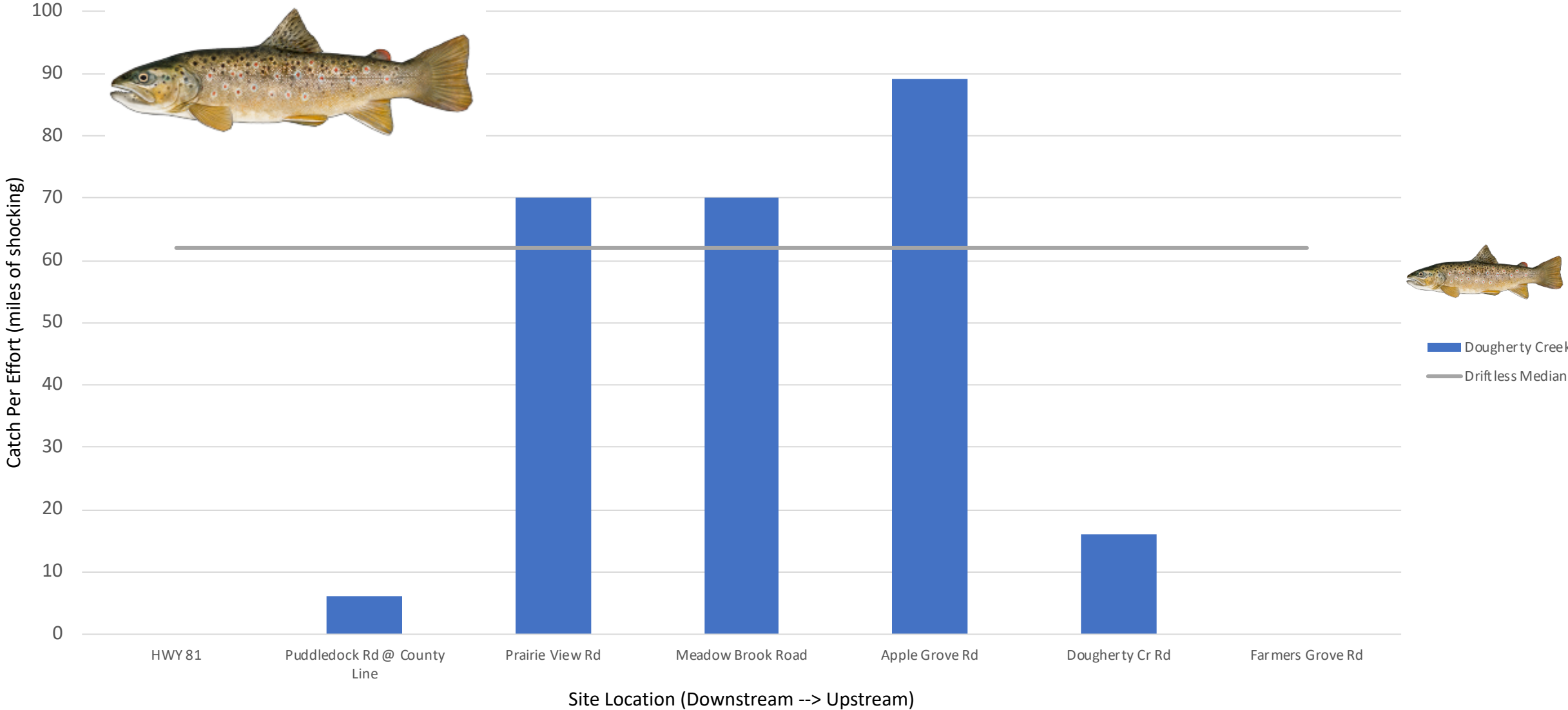


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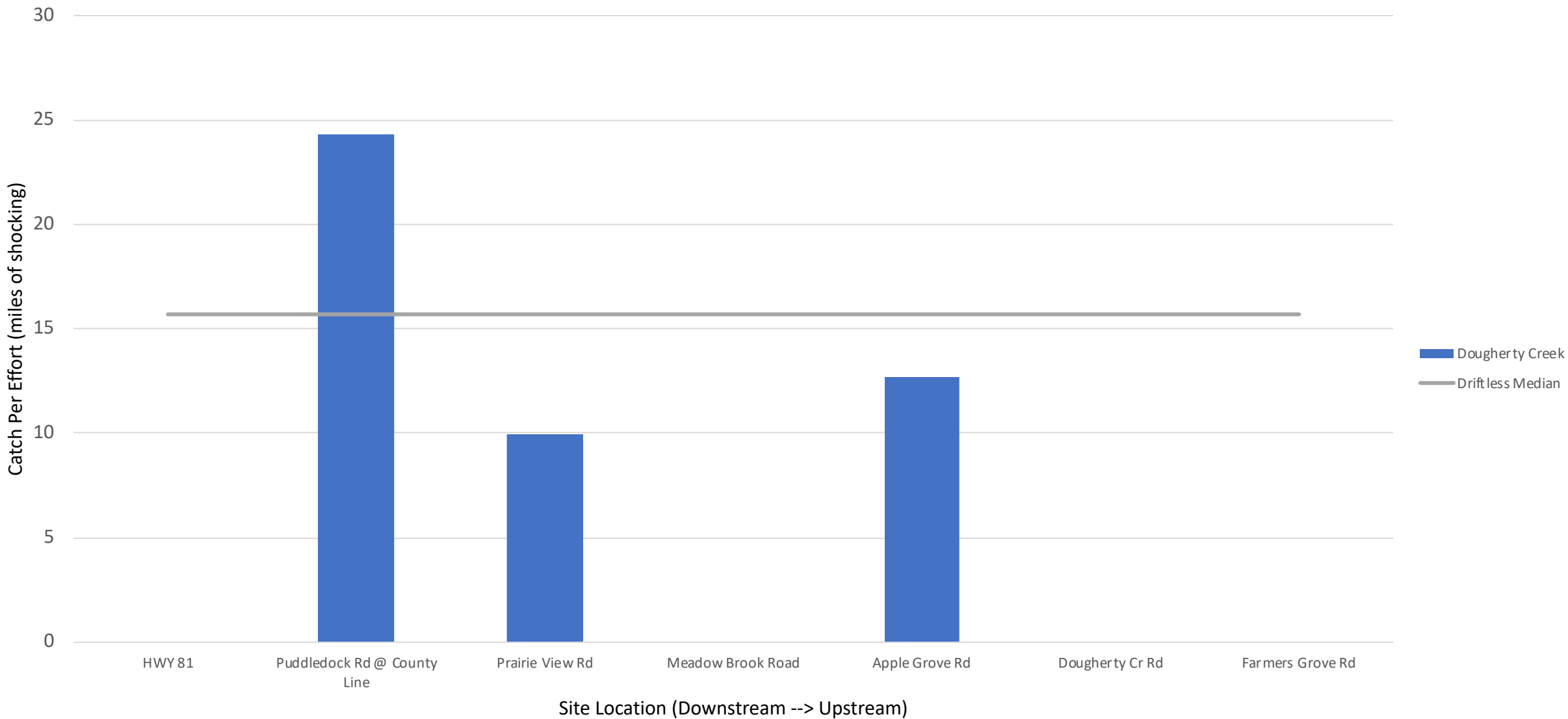


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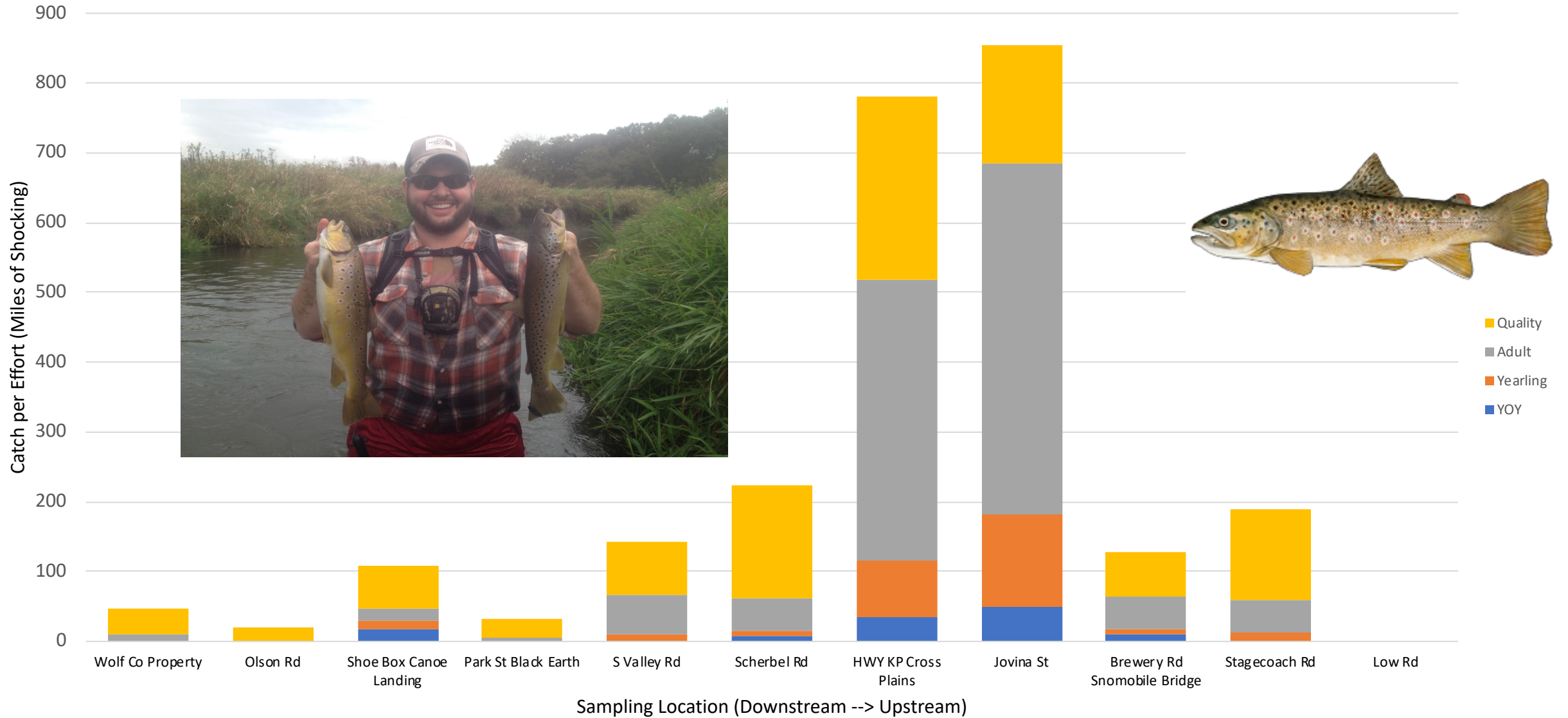
# Brennan, Bushnell, & Prairie Brook...

- Brennan & Bushnell had very few trout overall
- Prairie Brook 0 trout and 0 cold water species



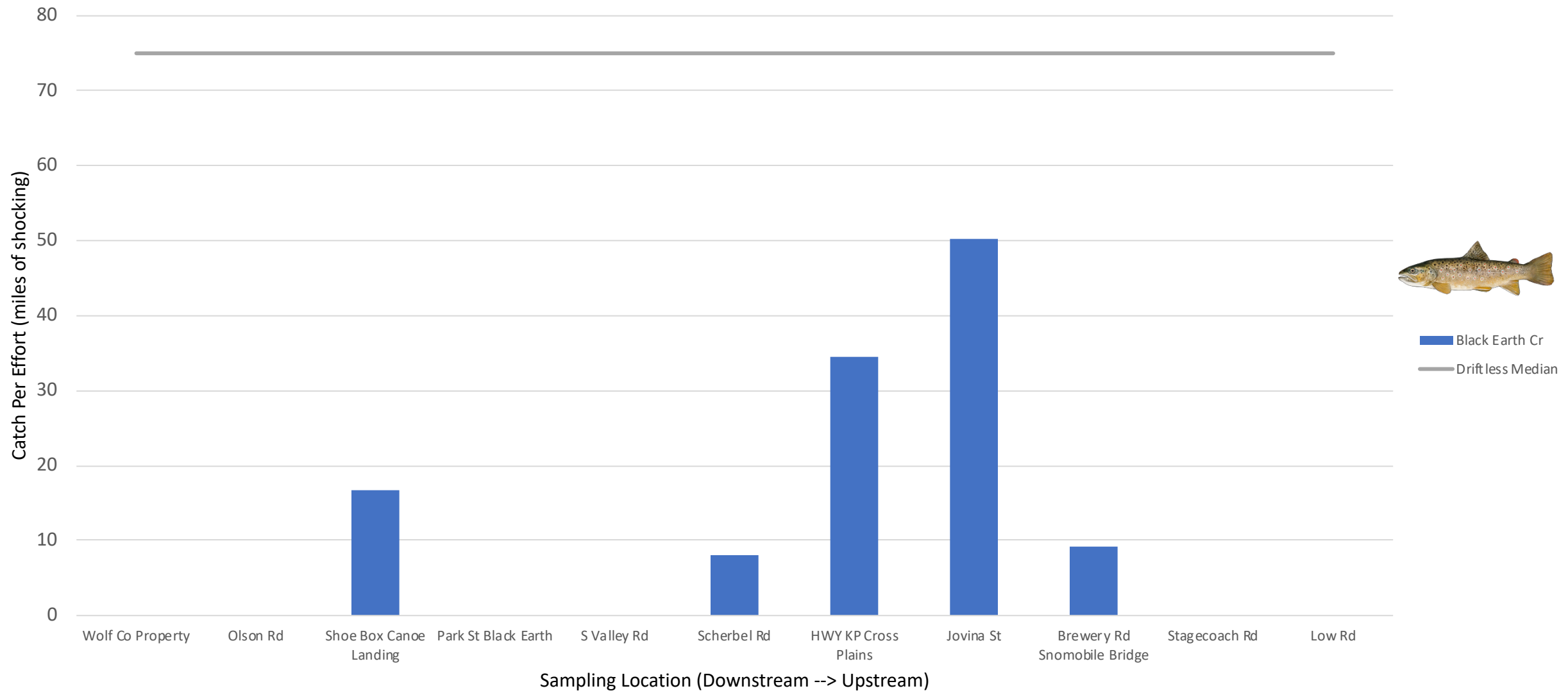


## Black Earth Creek Brown Trout Size Specific Catch Rates 2019





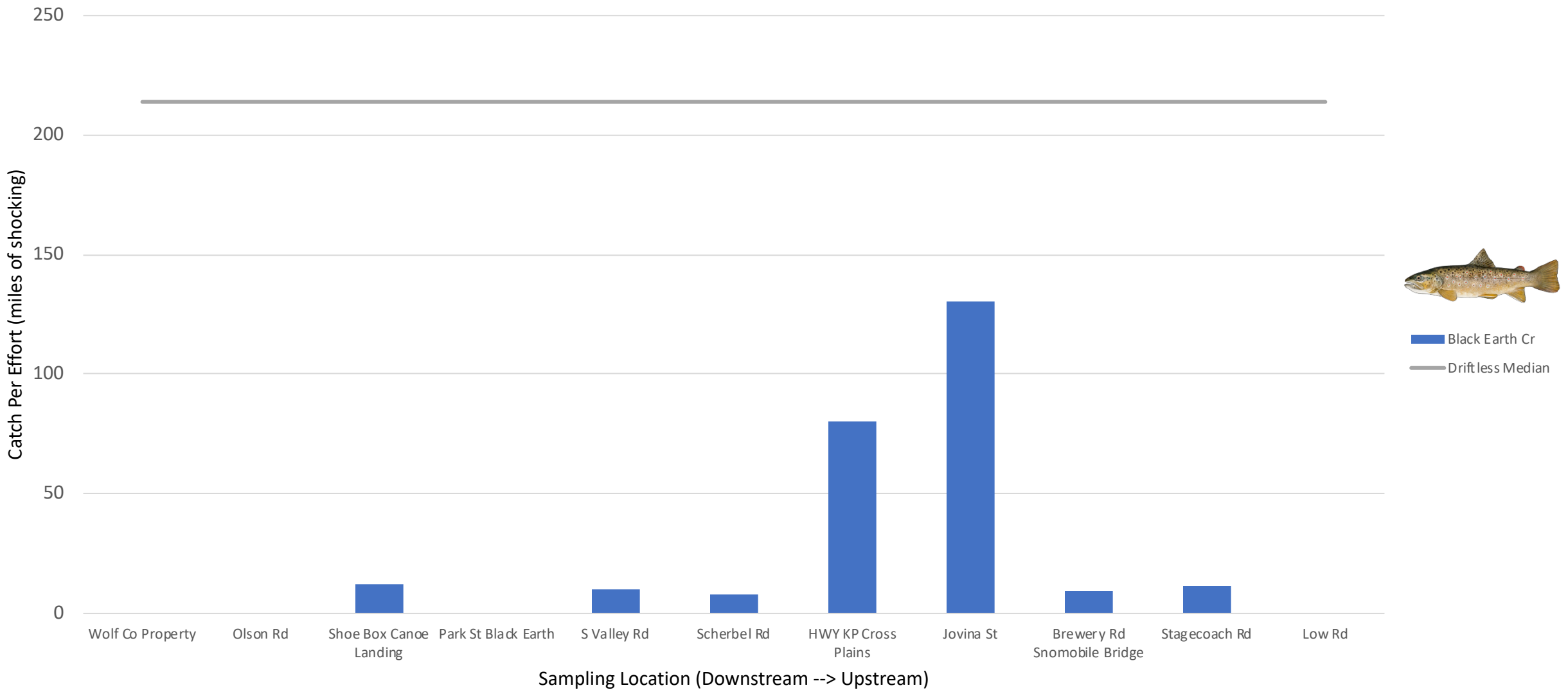
# Young of Year (<4 in) Brown Trout Catch Rates, Black Earth Creek 2019



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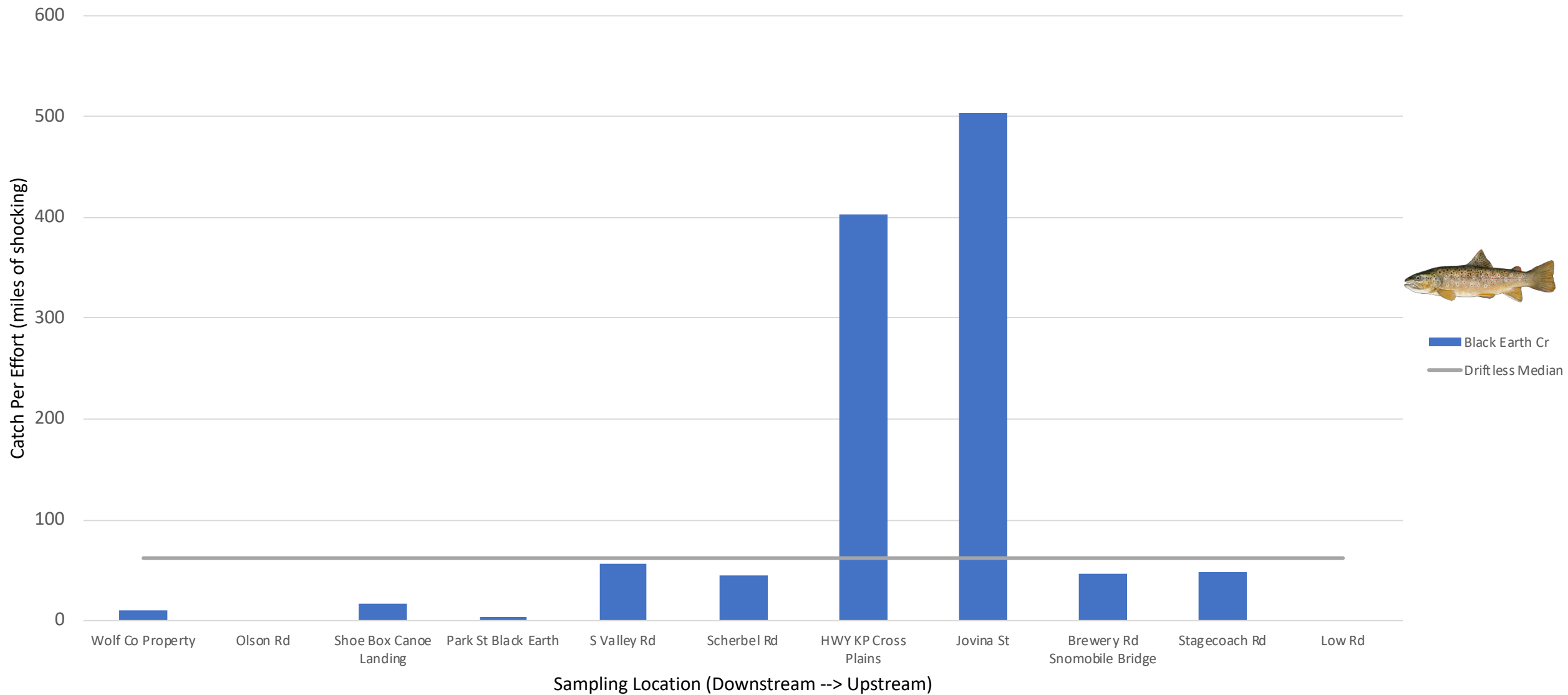


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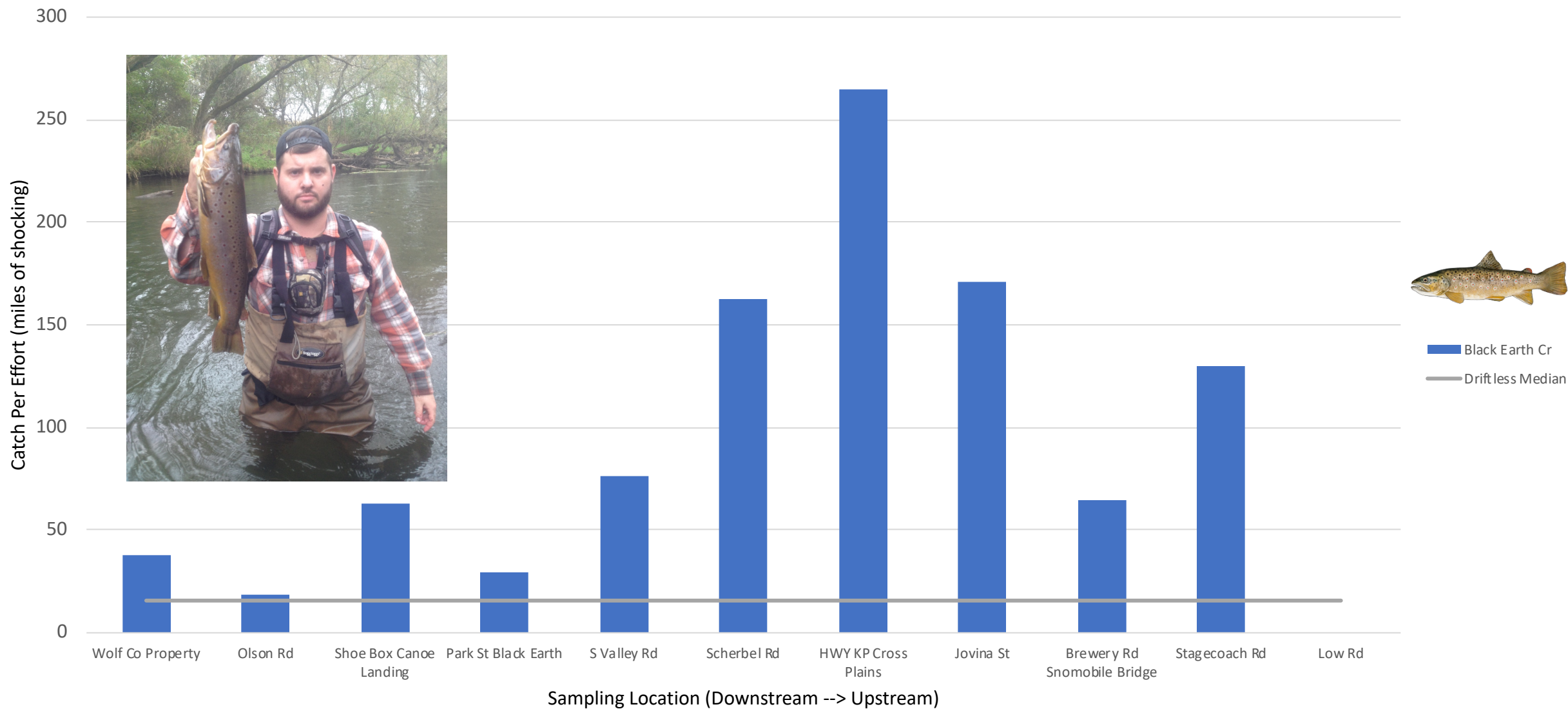




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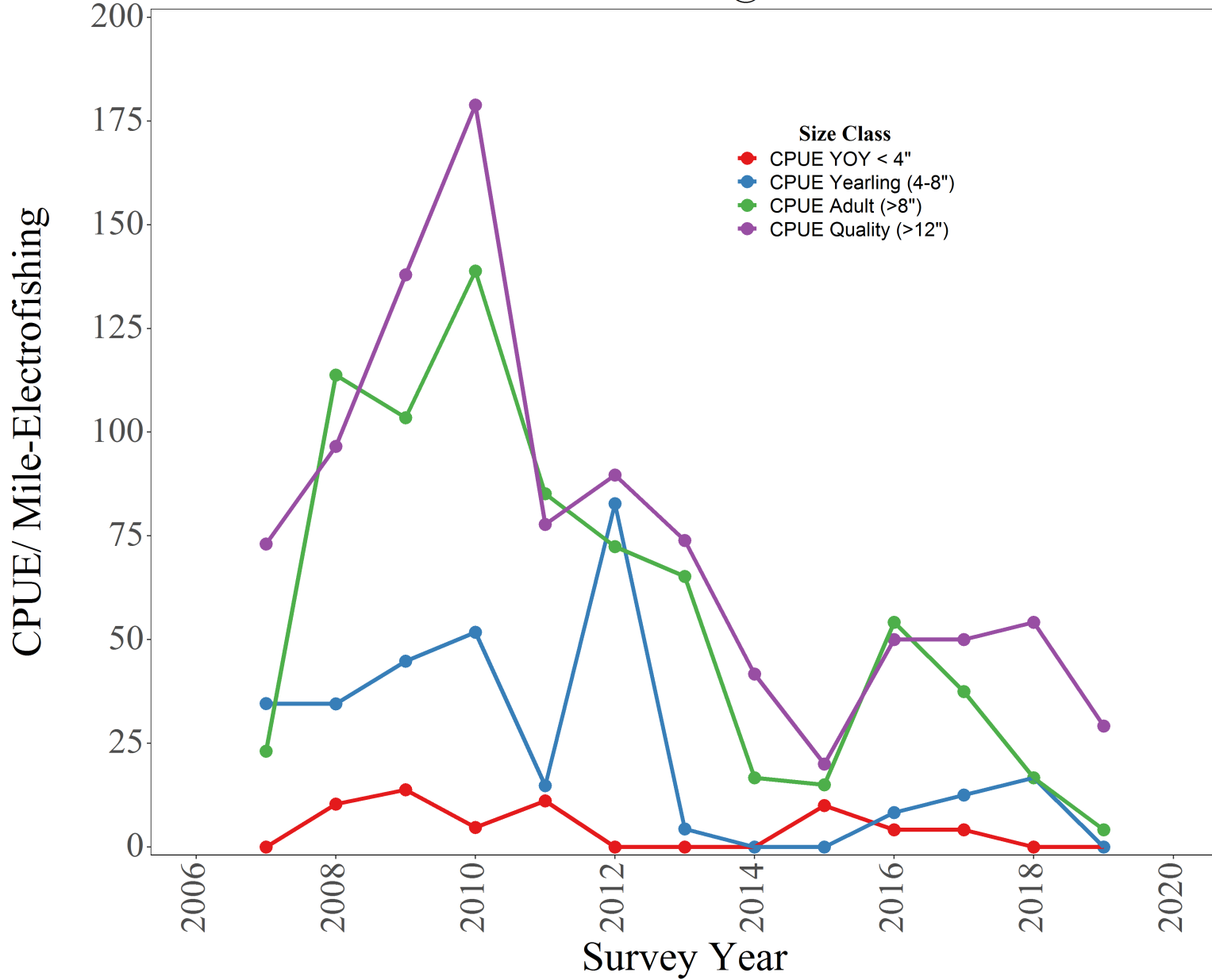


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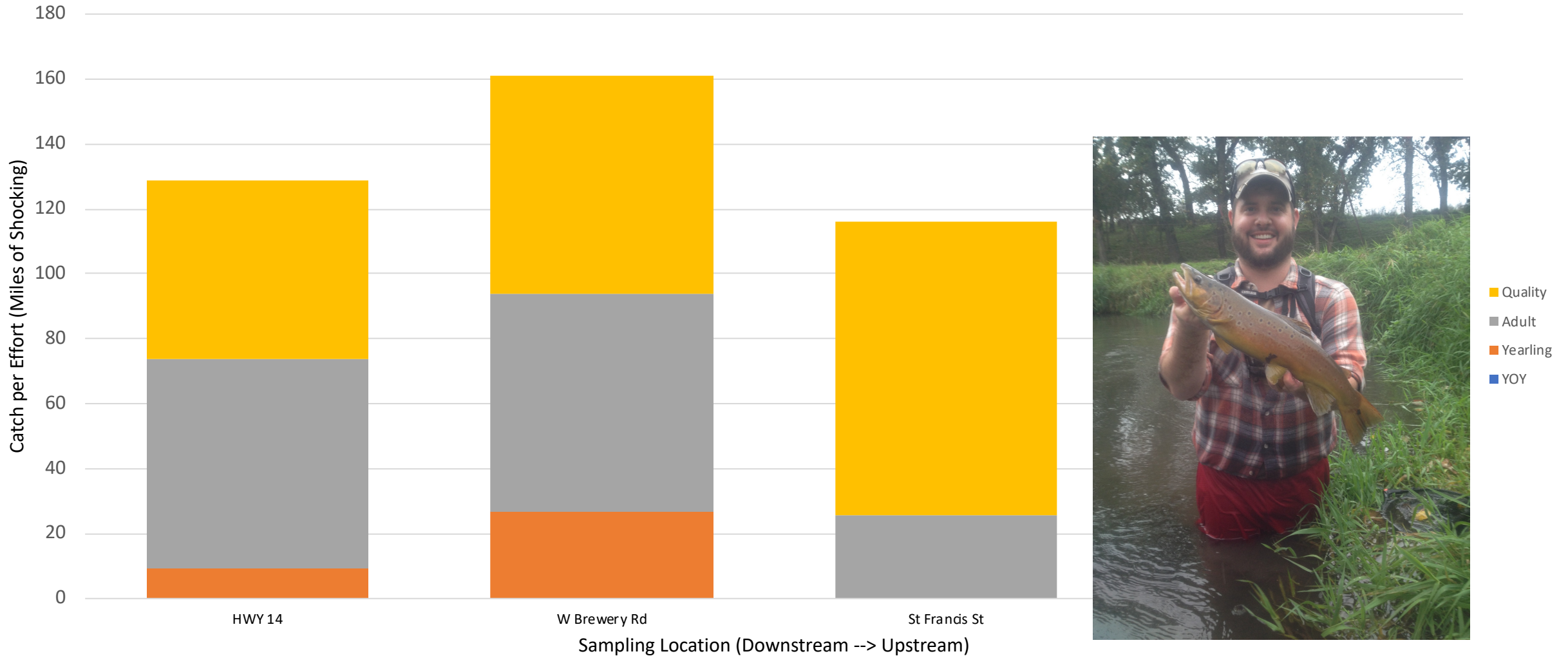


# Black Earth Creek @ Park Street



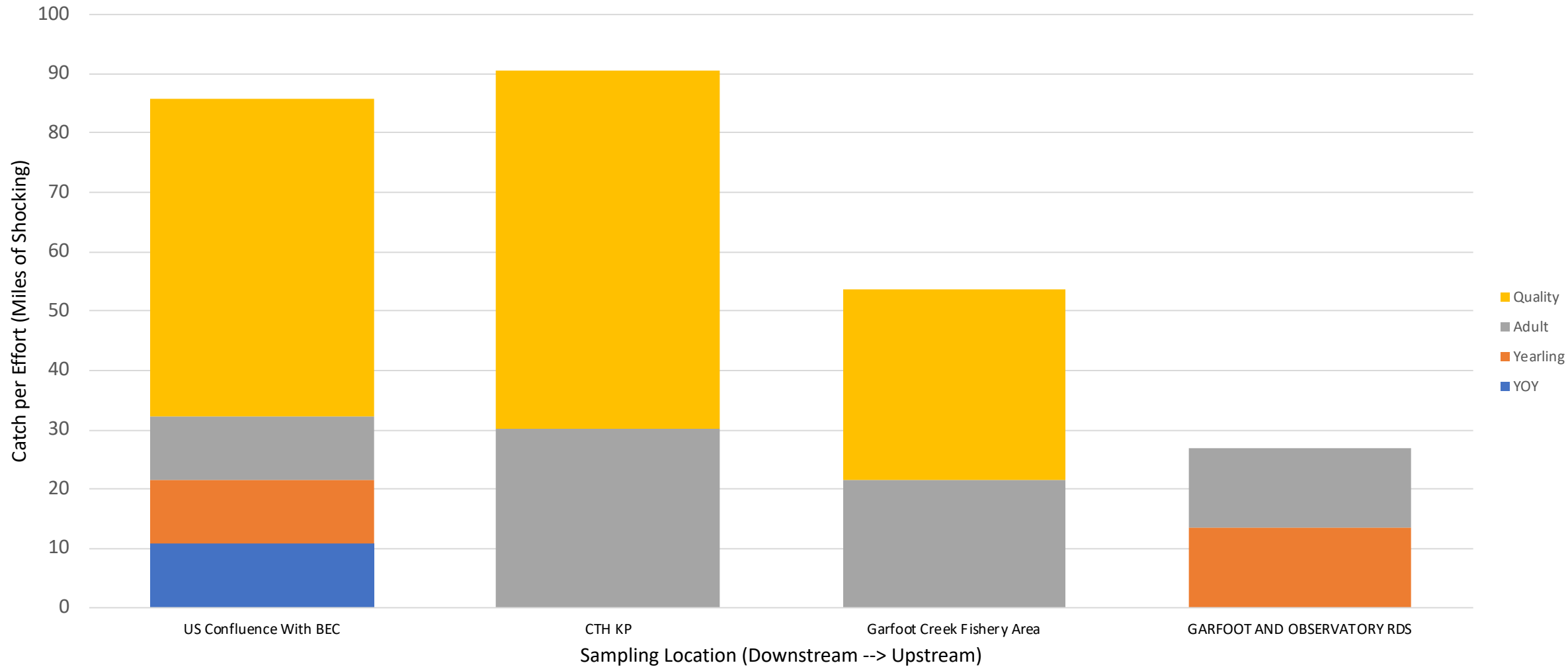


## Brewery Creek Brown Trout Size Specific Catch Rates 2019



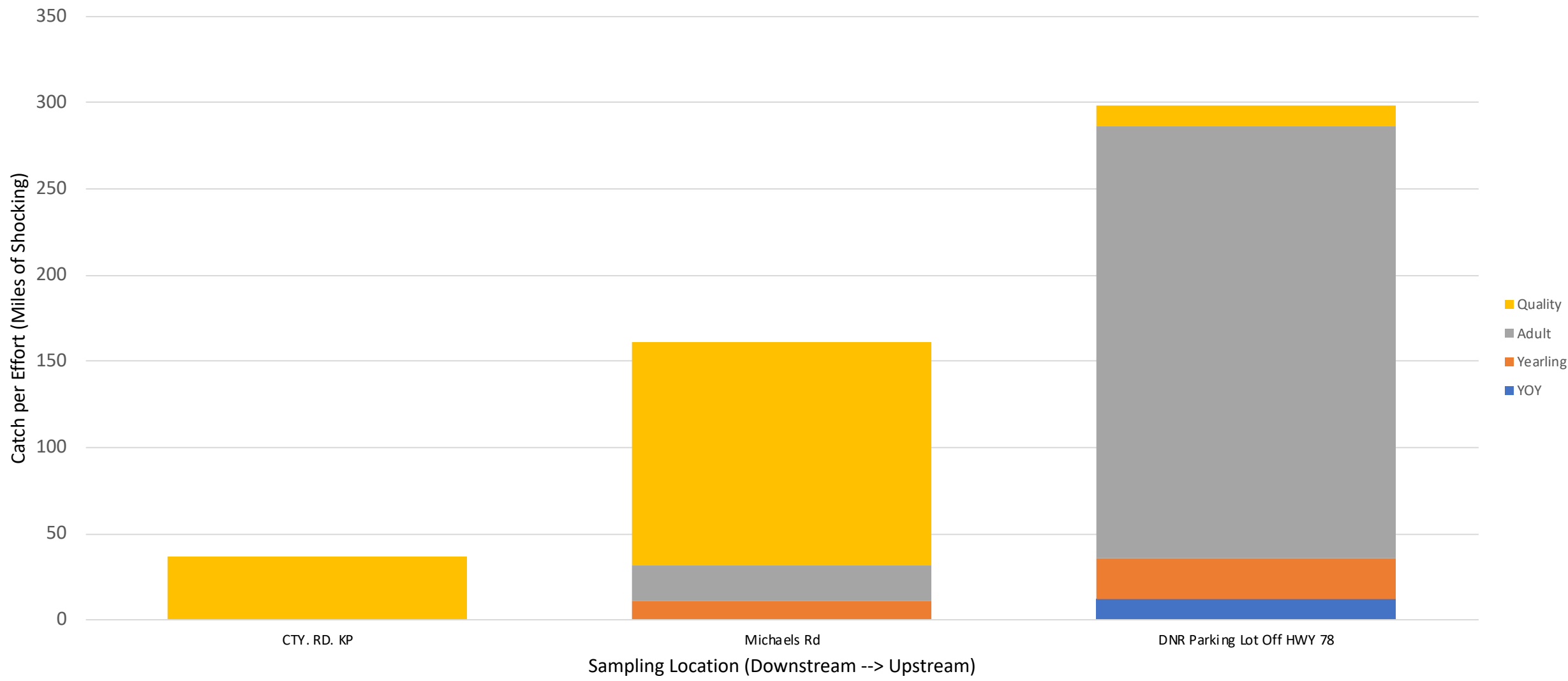


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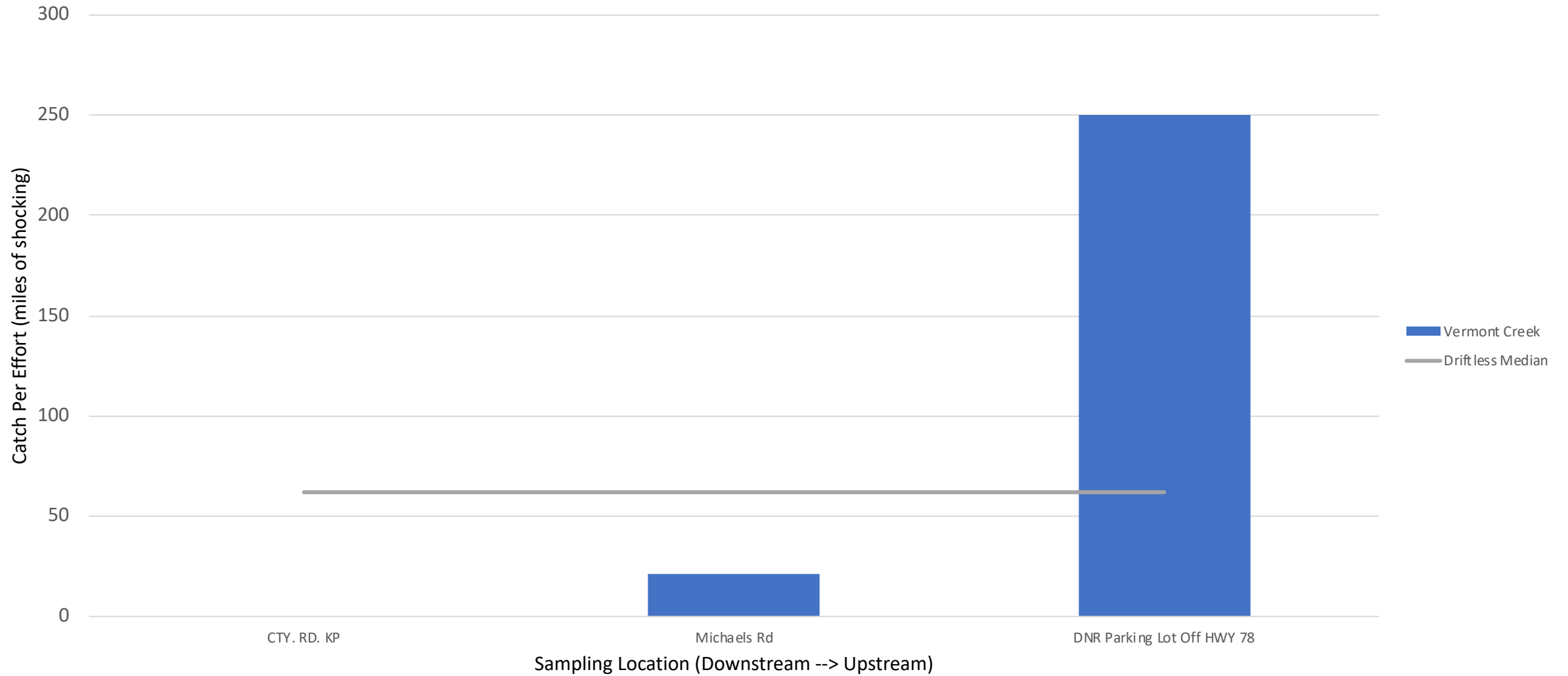


## Vermont Creek Brown Trout Size Specific Catch Rates 2019



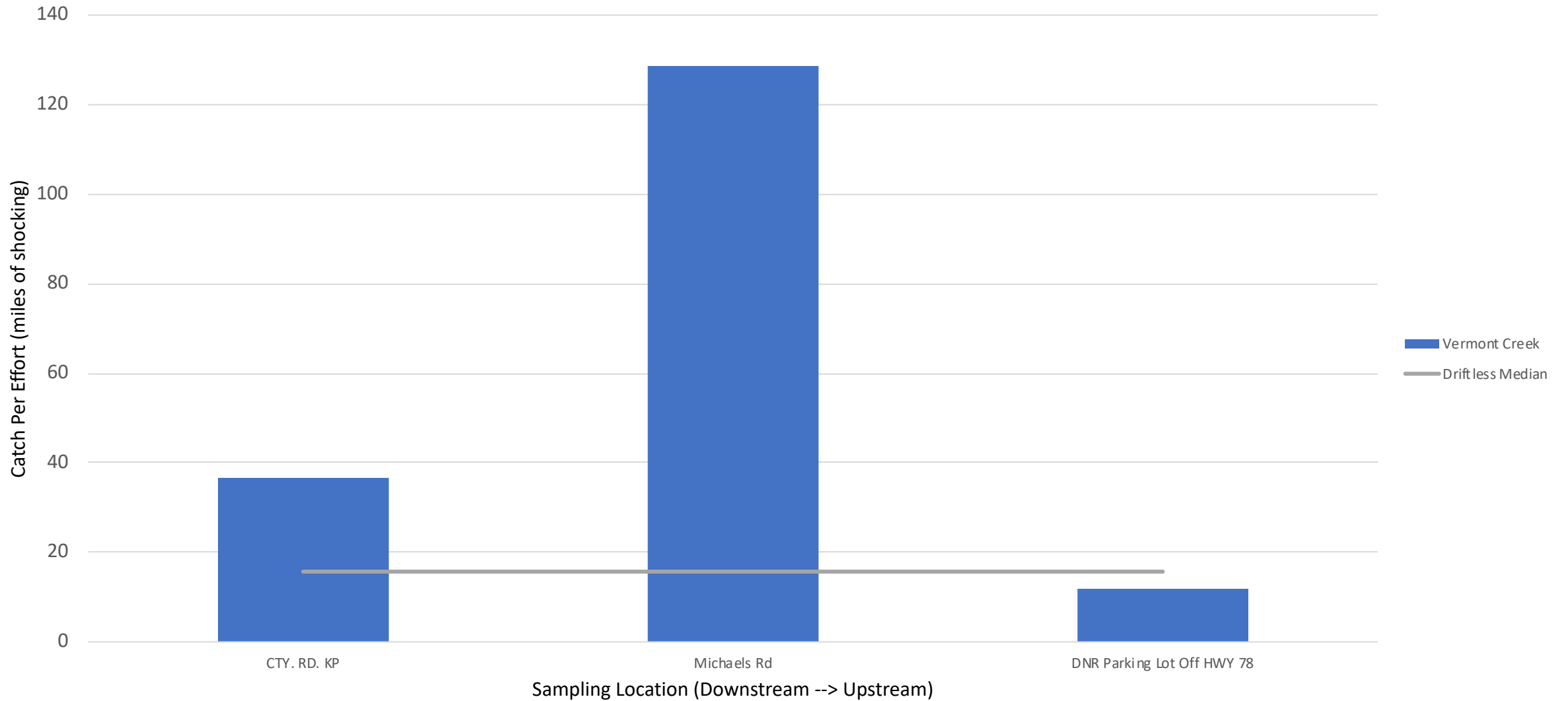


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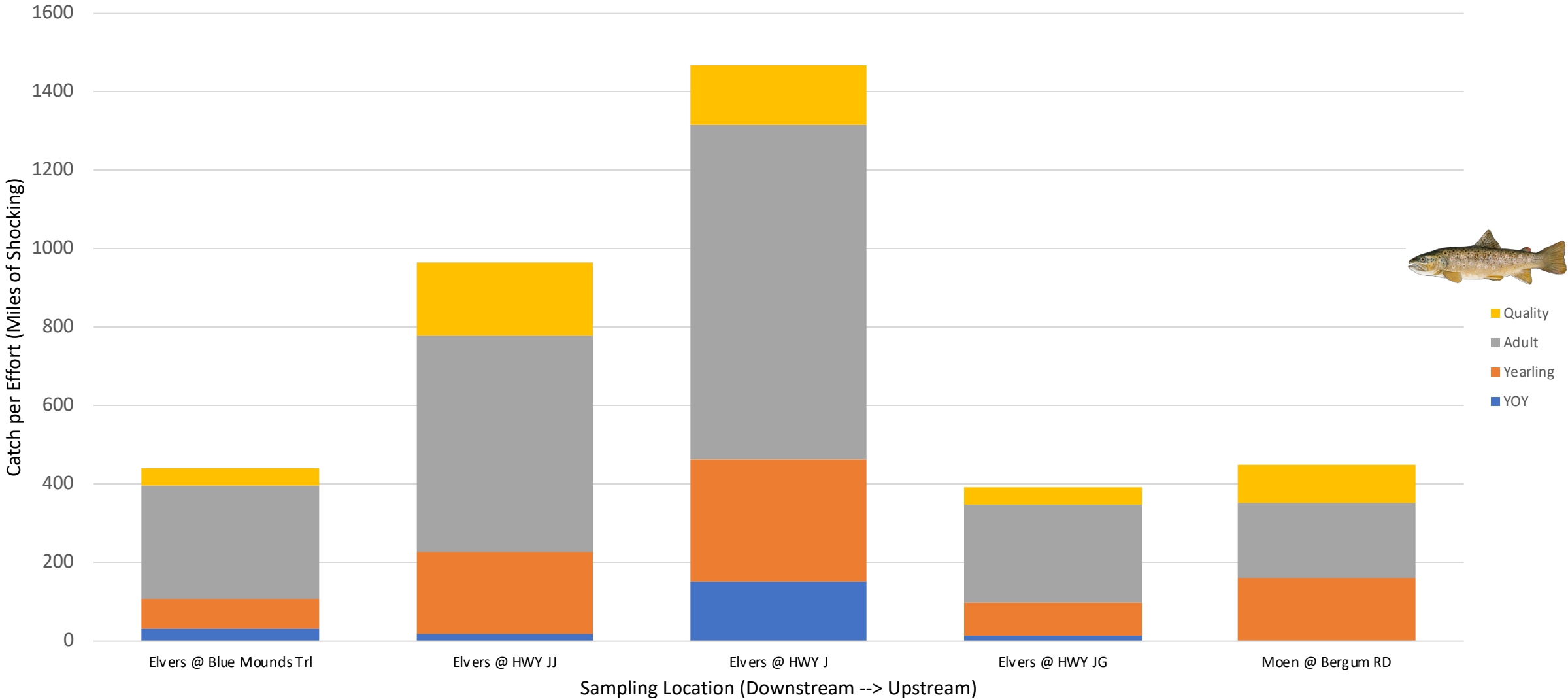




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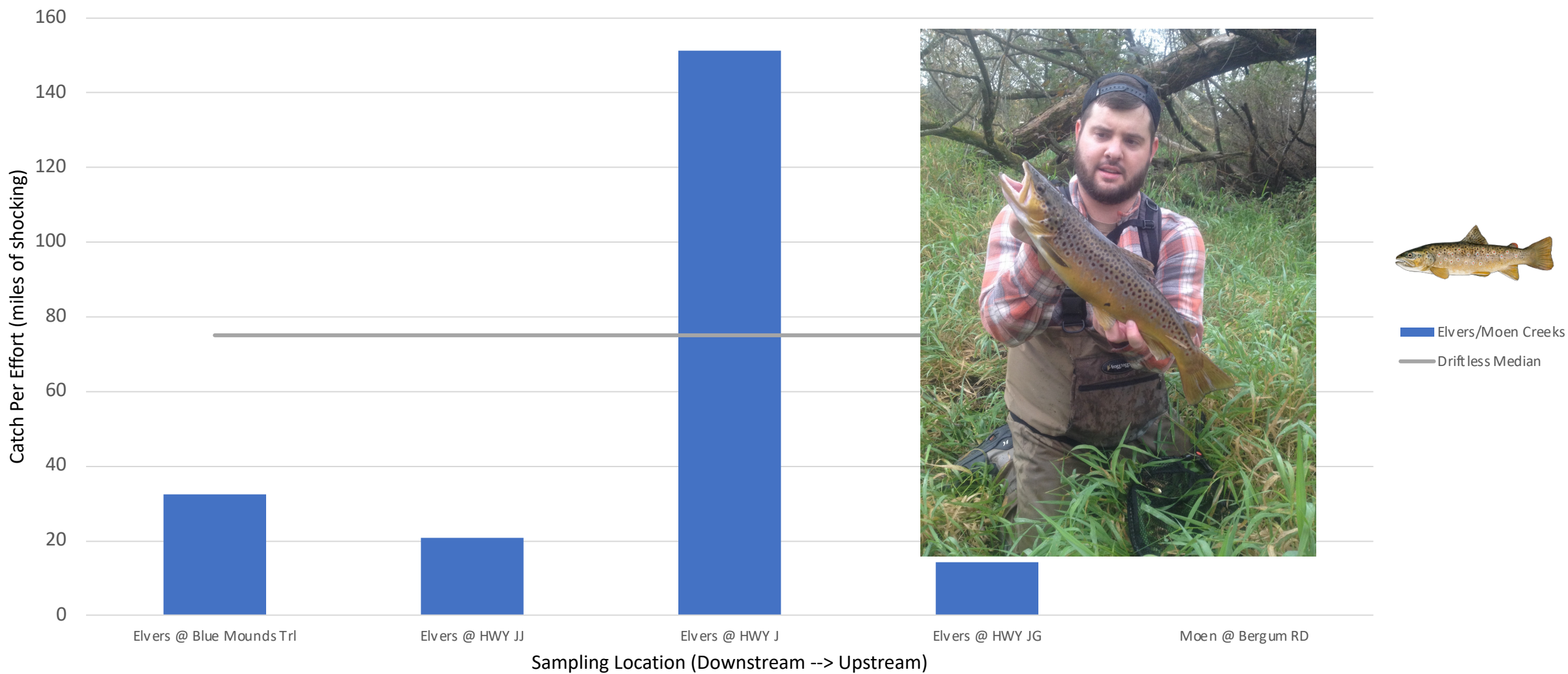


# Elvers Creek and Moen Creek Brown Trout Size Specific Catch Rates 2019



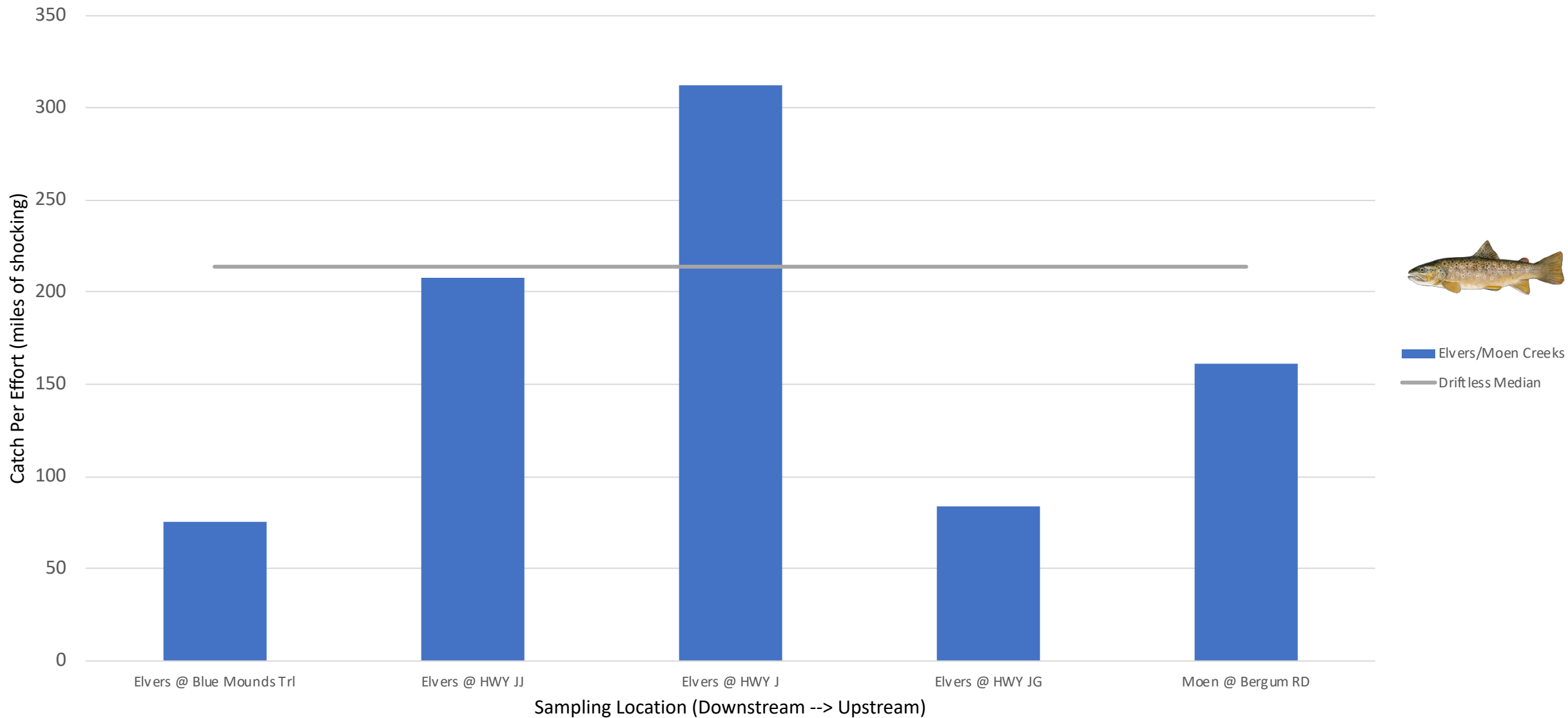


## Young of Year (<4 in) Brown Trout Catch Rates, Elvers Creek 2019

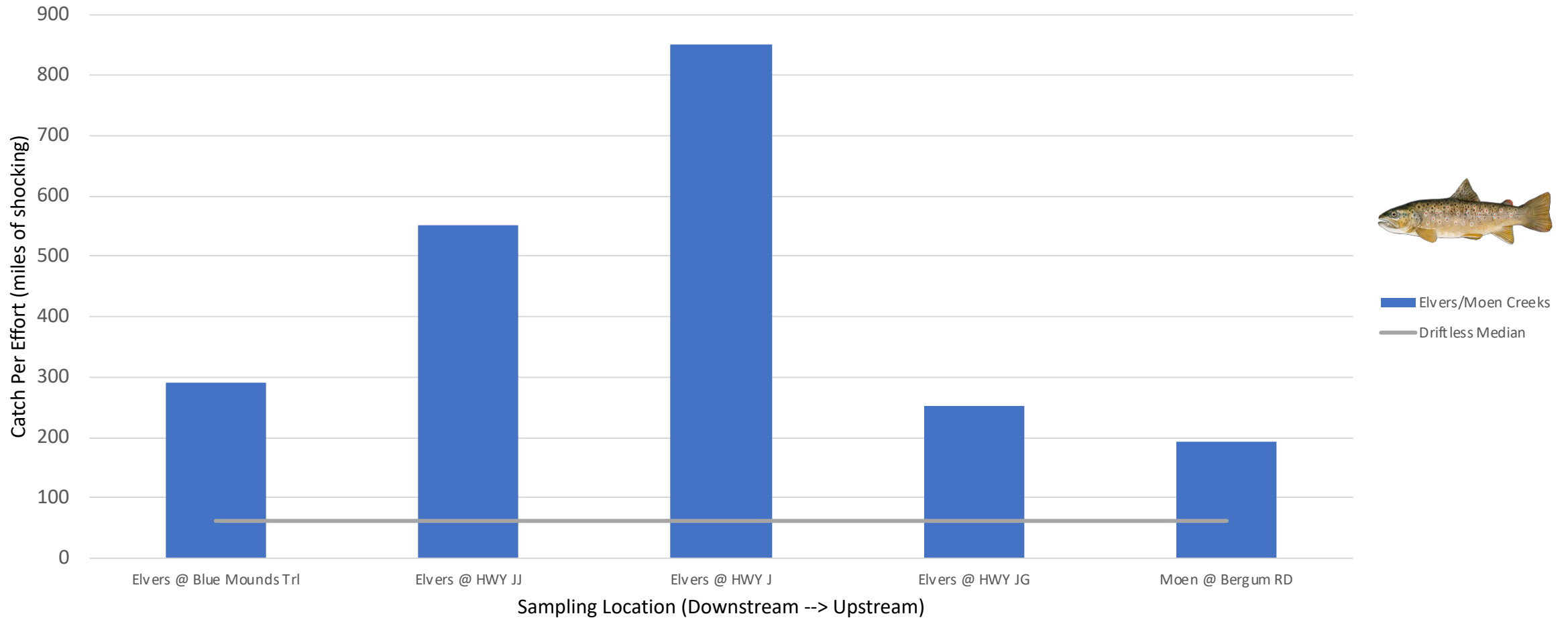




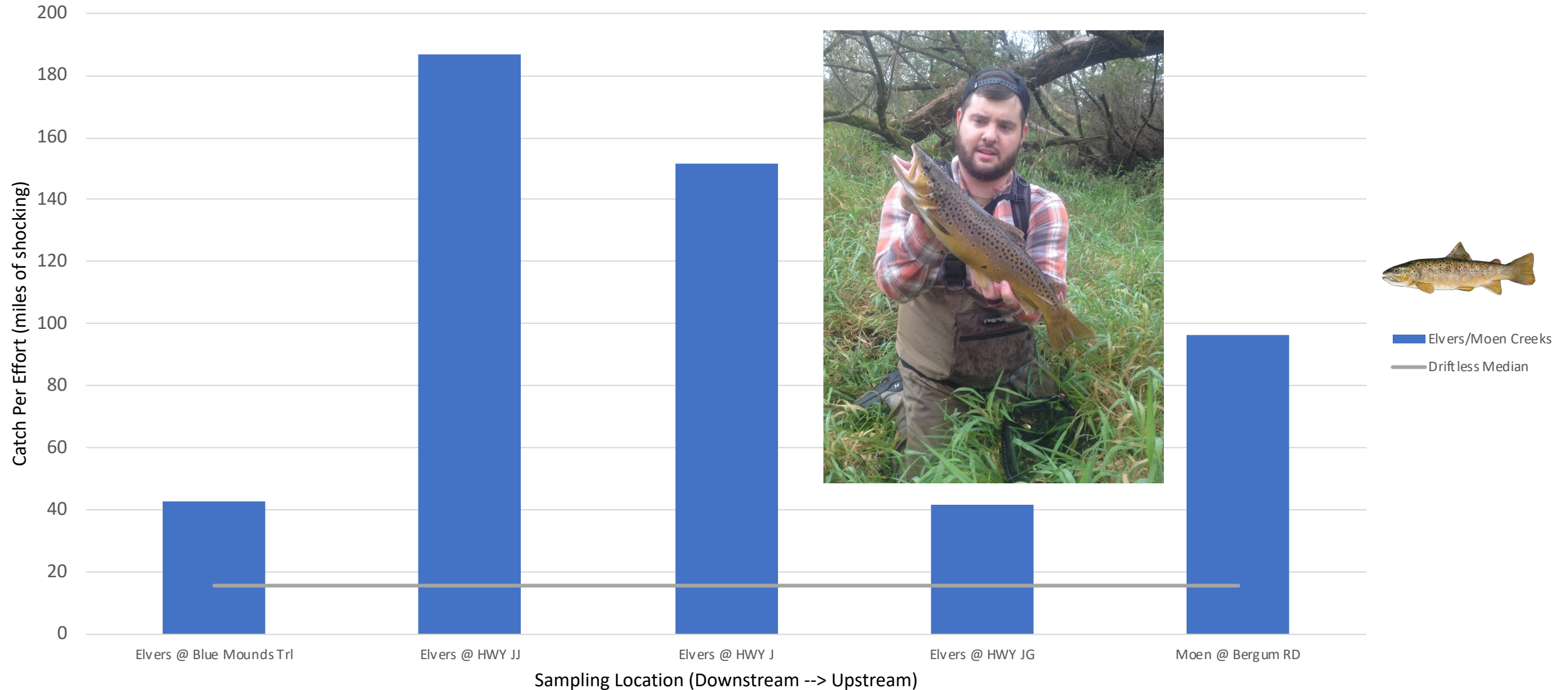
# Yearling (4-8 in) Brown Trout Catch Rates, Elvers Creek and Moen Creek 2019



## Adult (8-12 in) Brown Trout Catch Rates, Elvers Creek and Moen Creek 2019



## Quality (>12 in) Brown Trout Catch Rates, Elvers Creek and Moen Creek 2019



# 2020 Sugar River + tribs



# Habitat Projects









# Trout Stamp Funded Habitat Projects: thank you for your \$\$ support

- Dane County- Kittleson Valley Creek @ Drammen Valley Road
  - 3,000 ft Bank sloping, overhead woody cover, replant trees 2021
- Black Earth Creek tree planting: Fishery Area @ HWY KP entrance
  - April 8-10<sup>th</sup>-ish.
  - ~ 200 trees to be planted
- Richland County:
  - 2020-Willow Creek along Smythe Hollow Road:3,000 ft bank sloping & habitat
  - 2021-Mill Creek along CTH E, north of Boaz-bank sloping & habitat
- Grant County 2019-2020:
  - Grant River north of Lancaster, HWY K
- **\$\$ Temperature loggers is a need and worth TU consideration, each logger is ~ \$35-40, would need 30-50 to canvas a watershed.**





# Public Fishing Easements

- TU sponsored dinners have resulted in several large acquisitions
  - Langfoss & Prebrotten parcels in Kittleson/ Gordon System
  - Easements on Sugar River w/ Dane County
- Large parcels pending in Dane, Iowa, and Green Co
- Future outreach events planned-thank you for your support



## PUBLIC FISHING ACCESS

*Access easement is on private property.  
Treat with respect.  
No hunting or trapping without  
landowner permission.*

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A DANE COUNTY LAND & WATER LEGACY PROJECT

- TU sponsored habitat crew will be in Dane, Green, Rock, Columbia, Sauk in 2020
  - Crews inspected 38 miles of stream in 2019
  - -Summary report coming soon



Easement Property	Counties	Stream Length Worked On (Feet)	Activity
Knapp Creek	Richland	1,217	Brushing
Steiner Creek	Lafayette	770	Brushing and Mowing
Elk Creek	Richland	2,307	Brushing
Pompey Pillar Creek	Iowa	2,239	Brushing
Big Springs Creek	Iowa	1,141	Brushing and Mowing
Trout Creek	Iowa	16,189	Brushing and Mowing
Gordon Creek	Iowa	595	Brushing
Kittleson Valley	Iowa	1,637	Brushing
<b>Total</b>		<b>24,878</b>	

# Discussion/ Questions



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