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I was hoping the thread would take off on it's own.

Personally I like the way a slower action handles a larger trout on the line but would prefer a little faster action for casting and distance. So I guess I have to say a medium action is good for me. I still like the relaxed way a medium/slow action casts though.

I have a little 7' 5 weight for all around small tight streams and throwing big buggers and weighted nymphs. Man that thing is like the musky rod of small stream rods, it feels fast. I can really zing them big ones with that little short stout rod. It'll throw a great 30 foot roll cast with a big clouser crayfish on the end. And being so short for a 5 weight, it still feels ok with a smaller 10-12 inch trout on.

For fishing smaller trout say 7-10 inch wild trout I'd prefer a medium action rod in a 2 weight, somewhere around 7 feet. That is if I were exclusively fishing tiny streams for small trout.

I gettin' ready to go out and have a few drinks, so take the ball and run with it. Like I said, I was hoping for this topic to gather some steam as rod selection is pretty important topic for a beginner interested in the sport.