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Kilwell,

That is a bit of a "loaded" question. As far as over lining your rod by one wight depends much on the rod, your casting abilities and the casting situation. I think over lining works really well when you need to load the rod quickly especially for site fishing. I am don't think at the end of the day that you will be throwing all that much more line. Having said that, I have a Redington CPX 8 Wt that throws a 10wt line beautifully and I think the rod is far too stiff for 8wt line.

If I were you, I would head up to your shop and throw a 9 wt line in the parking lot on the rod and see how it feels compared to the 8wt line. Not sure if anyone else has a better answer to that one, but for me it is much about how the rod feels when it loads and how I can shoot line for the circumstances I am trying to fish.

One mistake I have made in the past in the surf is thinking that I had to throw 90 feet of line to get to the fish. Often they are practically swimming around your feet picking up bait in the wash.

Good luck and tight lines!