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I am for the most part a Sage hound and love the selection Sage rods in my arsenal. The ZXL I believe is rated medium-medium fast by Sage.

Having said this, I also own one BIIX, a 10ft 7wt for Steelies. I've also cast the BIIX and really love that rod in the 8-8'6 4WT, which may be the perfect dry fly rod at least for me. Something about that soft Winston feel that I really enjoy..It either sings to you or doesn't.

ZXL at Medium-Medium Fast by Sage does not equate to Medium by Winston Standards. I haven't fished a WT or a BIIT but I have seen them and cast them. I'd say the ZXL is a touch faster, but no where close to the fast action on a Z Axis. From a Sage standpoint, this may be the rod for you to consider, or think about a TXL.

I'm considering picking up a BIIX before they're gone because I like that rod that much, or possibly opting for the newer GVX or testing out a BIIX to see what I think of it. Not sure it's what I'm looking for since it's going to be more like a Z Axis in terms of action.

Good luck, let us know what you end up with and what leads you to your decision.