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While I am personally very reluctant to attempt identification down to species except in the most obvious case, considering what appears as a small elongated hind wing, size, body color and wing color, I would venture that this is a *Paraleptophlebia debilis*. I've seen this critter on other streams at the same time of the year and I've noticed a slightly lighter body and wing color than what I've found on earlier species. Wings have a slightly cream cast to their dun color.

In my discussions with some of the top entomologists in the field they will readily admit that in the majority of cases identification down to species level is beyond that which is possible with the naked eye. Without looking at the genitalia of the image (spinner) under a microscope we're making a best guess. Not my words; theirs.

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