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I feel that's a whole lot easier than building a leader.

Oh I don't build leaders streamside. I may adjust them streamside, and of course constantly lengthen and shorten tippet. But I do have pretied leaders with me. If I want to change, it's 1 blood knot. The butt of the leader to the piece of mono which is nail knotted to the fly line.

And in those thick, stiff butt sections, blood knots are especially easy.

For everyday use, I generally carry 6 leaders. 2 of each nymph, dry fly, and brookie. Having a backup is ALWAYS a good idea because when I can get away with it, I don't even carry the Maxima leader materials, just tippet.