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My standard "fishing" distance is probably about 20 ft of fly line off the tip. Add a 9ish foot leader and that's a 30 ft cast. And I MUCH more commonly go shorter than that than longer.

Up to those distances, the differences between tapers are pretty much meaningless. It's true at long distance, like upwards of 50 feet, that WF shoots better and double tapers roll cast better. But at normal fishing distances there's pretty much no difference at all.

So I don't see a big advantage to either. Other than longevity and the ability to turn a DT around and use the other half. In fact, on my dedicated short distance outfits, I actually cut the line in half and just use half of it, and keep the other half in storage until it's time to replace the line.