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If you can't palm a fresh steelie on a clicker in the Salmon River (running 1250 cfs), your a bad fisherman. Blah, blah. To each their own. My personal position is to get the best you can afford. Any of the higher priced gear (waders, reels or rods) have been great 'investments'. Never a malfunction and hold value in the event I would ever sell or trade them. If you go cheap on your gear and it breaks, , don't come on here griping about the lack of quality in your purchase.

Swattie, "even on the mighty D" was a bit excessive. I'm assuming you have never hooked a 22" wild fish, in heavy water on 5x from a boat. The fish bolts up river while the boat continues down river. A good reel with a smooth / strong drag can be the difference between landing the fish or tying on a new rig. For 90% of fishing in this area, a \$10 throw away reel will work fine. Never seen a 5" brookie or a 11" stockie spool anyone in a creek that's 15' wide.

Bottom line.... go cheap, don't complain if it breaks.