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I do have leader spray issues sometimes, either knotted or unknotted. I can't say for sure which is worse but if someone tested it I wouldn't be surprised if knotted leaders are a little worse. But it's not like you can escape the problem.

When dry fly fishing, I just try to make my first false cast or two in a different direction than the fish.

For everything else, shortrod is SPOT on. To repeat.

Yeah, you can probably double up a section here and there, but you can't overdo it, and is one knot really making that much of a difference?

In my experiences, fish are drag shy, not line shy. Sure, they can see the knot. They can see 9x flouro too, don't kid yourself. But if there were no drag, I think they'd hit a fly attached to a freakin rope.

Wind knots, for me, are less of a problem with my own leaders. Fly hangs up on knot, rather than slide the whole way down and knot.

Never had a leader knot break. Tippet knots, yes. Even if a leader knot is a weak point, it's not weaker than the tippet or tippet knots.