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Re: Steelhead guys
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> BradFromPotter wrote:
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> > freestylefisher wrote:
> > High water does not mean a lot of wt it means a lot of mending never steelhead fishing do you need more then a few bbs..... Chunking and dunking is not flyfishing its lining and snagging
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> If you have over 1200 cfs & your're fishing a 6-8ft deep slot ....you can do all the mending you want with a few bb's & you not going to get it down where it needs to be.
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> I did not say you had to "Chunking and dunk"' Nor am I lining and snagging. I'm curious at when do you go over into "Chunking and dunking" as far how much weight?
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> How many years of Steelhead fishing on the Salmon River do you have under your belt?

I agree, try fishing the PM in MI for steelhead or salmon when she's flowing at 1000cfs. These 6-8' deep holes are often only a few yards long. There is no way to have a drift long enough to get an offering down with a couple of BBs. In Erie, that is true but not on larger systems.

Lining is lining and when someone is doing it...it's really obvious. And while I try to avoid chuck & duck fishing in big rivers, sometimes it is necessary. If you chuck and duck and let the offering actually just drift through a run and are not jerking at it the entire time it is legit as any other method of presenting an offering to fish in those situations as any other. And, on those systems that tend to hold a high number of fish in small runs, you are going to occasionally snag fish, even when you are doing it right. Handle it right, release the fish, and move on. Just because it may not be your way, does not make it the wrong way.

Now, I will agree that chuck and duck fishing is hardly beautiful fly casting, it is not. But it certainly is fly gear landing...and we all enjoy that.