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Re: Steelhead guys
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> geebee wrote:
> 7 8 or 9 , you want a rod strong in the butt and soft in the tip, to handle the fish and to protect the light tippets they use up there.

I half shared this earlier in the thread...in reference to this thought, I fished salmon in MI this year with an 11' 7wt switch rod. It gave me exactly what geebee is referring to here and it was awesome. I was discussing this with my TFO rep (I use a TFO Deer Creek switch) and he said that is exactly how the rod was designed. I asked him if I should consider moving up to the 8wt next year for salmon and he implied there is no reason to. If I were going to AK, that would be a different story.

I have to tell you, I love this 7wt switch and have been using it for all of the steelhead and salmon fishing I do. I have a spool with WF floating line that I nymph and dead drift with and another spool I can throw on with running line and a skagit head for when I want to swing in higher flows.

So, depending on how much you are going to chase salmon and steelhead in the future, this is another rod you might want to consider. The only down side to the switch rod is that it is a little heavier, but that will matter less and less to you the more efficient you become with your casting.