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I've been tying and fishing the Green Weenie for years. It is one of my go-to nymphs. I usually fish it as a lead fly with a trailing nymph consisting of a Pheasant Tail or GR Hare's Ear. The trailing fly can be a beadhead or just a regular nymph depending on how deep I want it to go. I tie all of mine on a #10 Mustad 3096B and heavily weight the body with lead wire. I also smash down the wire after I have covered it with thread to make it flat. This makes the fly have a sort of rocking motion as it dead drifts. I also make a small loop tail which I also think gives the fly some action.

The fly excels in dirty or stained water, but I have caught trout on the Green Weenie in gin clear spring creeks too. I have also caught them on the Green Weenie using it as the nymph on a Dry/Dropper rig. I typically fish it dead drift with a yarn indicator. Sometime almost all the fish hit the dropper, sometimes it is 50/50 and sometimes most of the fish hit the Green Weenie. It works equally well on wild Browns as it does on stocked Rainbows.

I don't know if it ever scares any trout, but it might sometimes. I do think that sometimes it catches their attention and then they hit the dropper. Any that is just my 2 cents. Good luck.

Tom