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You definitely want to keep the hook gape open. During the 2008 emergence I tied some on size 8 hooks and I had the hook gape closed too much, and missed a lot of strikes.

I started tying them on size 6 hooks and that solved the problem.

You could very likely tie them on a size 8 hook, but just tie the fly a little more neat and trim than I did, being sure not to close the hook gape, and that would probably work fine too.