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I own a switch rod that I built several years using that same blank (7WT) in the same length. Matching it to an appropriate line for two handed casting has been a mystery. Currently, I've got it loaded with a scandi taper spey line that I chopped down the head slightly (can't remember the grain weight but the line was sized for a 9-10 spey rod). It works okay for two handed casting but my sense is this rod may just be too short for effective two hand casting with the more aggressive lines designed for two handed applications. To be sure, I'm not very experienced at two handed casting technique and perhaps this has limited my own ability to figure out this rod. There are companies that offer "switch" lines for rods of this size but they're way more expensive than I'm willing to spend on fly lines.

With respect to learning two handed casting, there's a ton of stuff on Youtube etc.....just be aware that you need a good match between your rod and line to make for an effective two handed set-up.

If you figure it out, by all means let me know.