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After fishing for bass the other day for a while the reel seat on my Cabela's Three Forks 8' 6" 5 weight started coming loose.

Had to file off some of the old glue and rough up the finish a little. That is, what little glue was there. And I'm not quite sure why a rod maker would put smooth finish on an area that is not visible and where glue is to be applied. I think the lack of glue / smooth surfaces caused the failure. I took great care in preparing the area to be glued hoping it will be a permanent fix.

I've been using Gorilla glue for a while now on everything from shoes to glueing the little magnets back into my foam fly boxes. You know the ones that keep them closed.

The stuff works really well. It expands a little, so just little bit does the trick tightening things up real nice and filling the spaces. Use just the right amount or you'll be cleaning up a little.

Rod looks great, repair went well, nice and tight ready for action again.

Just wonder if anyone else has had this issue. I've never had a loose reel seat on any other rod.