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If your interested in fly fishing the Kinzua Tailwater you should stop in at Allegheny River Fly Fishing Company in Warren, they know where to go and how to get you rigged up for musky. I tie all the flies they stock so I can guarantee you they have the very best. If you have an 8 wt. I would suggest throwing a 6-8" double deceiver in brown trout or gray/white coloration or any large articulated streamer. A 7" fly will not only attract musky but everything else in the river that eats meat; trout, bass, walleye, pike. Leaders for musky are real simple, I use a 5' section of 60 lb. hard mono followed by a 12" section of 20 lb. hard mono (to act as a weak link if you hang up so you don't break the fly line), and a 15" bite guard of either 80 lb. flouro or wire. It's hard to cast large streamers effectively when wading, casting flies at the bank is much more effective from a boat. Wading safety on the Kinzua Tailwater is something I can not emphasize enough, it is a big river and wading shouldn't be attempted by anybody but an experienced wader. Ideal flows are around 1500 cfs but you can wade up to 2500 but that can get tricky. Always go with a friend and wear a life jacket.

Hope this helps.