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Yes you will need a NY license if you are on the upper west. I have to be honest, if you are not familiar with this water this time of the year prepare to be humbled but embrace it and learn from it. You may do very well as I don't know your fishing skill but this time of the year the fishing is ultra technical.

I would advise a 15 foot leader tapered to 6x. You are going to find hatches of small sulphurs 18-20 but mostly size 20s. There are some bigger sulphurs around too so have some size 16s and 14s as well. The bug life is hard to gauge it really depends on the pool you are in. The lower the river the more diverse the hatches normally. The closer you are to stilesville the less diverse and more sulphurs and tiny olives.

Watch riseforms and watch for the tiny olives among the sulphurs during the evening hatch. If you see a trout rise and you didn't see a bug it was probably a pseudo. There is normally a midafternoon hatch up high and an evening hatch more riverwide.

Sorry about being sort of vague but I've taken my lumps on this river and I just feel everyone should before I get specific about hatches and techniques. I am by no means an expert but I have spent a lot of time on the west branch learning and tying my own patterns to match the insects on this river. I have learned more on days that humbled me than days when it all clicks. Have fun and enjoy it it's a great classroom.

I am going for a trip this week so I may have some more info when I get back.