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I think the line you use is more important for turning over poppers than the leader is. You need something with a powerful taper (short and heavy) to turn over the big wind resistant or heavy weighted flies used to fish for bass. I've been using a 7wt lined with a Rio smallmouth line. I fish a 9' 2x leader. This rig punches out a size two popper or mouse pattern 50' with ease. If you want a shorter leader to compensate, I would use a 7' leader; 3' of 20 lb maxima ultragreen, 2' of 15 lb maxima ultragreen, and 2' of 2x tippet. You could take it down to 6' if you want, just take a foot off the butt end.