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Re: Need help with a downstream approach

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I am presuming you are talking about a dry fly situation. I grew up fishing Green Spring Creek which had many downed willows trees. Wouldn't you know it that many of the nicer fish held in front of or in the middle of these dead trees. Through trial and error, I found I could get a natural drag free drift by casting the fly high (10 feet) above the water to impart the maximum amount of slack in the leader. Two keys are getting well above the fish since they will be raving you and waiting a second after the take before rising your rod. A British friend of mine would say "God bless the queen" before striking. I've also had some success with dries by pulling them under the water surface at the end of the drift. Discovered this by accident, but it