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@Crotalus - my rod broke also (10 wt echo) about an hour after I landed this musky. I was pissed because I saw two mid-40s fish the week before with my wife. I kept fishing but it was hard to cast more than 40-50 feet. Talk about a broomstick -- try casting with a 10 weight that is missing the whole top section.

I've been giving serious thought to a better rod, meaning something that is in fewer pieces. I gave up on four-piece rods for all other streamer fishing (trout and smallmouth). A two-piece rod is a far superior instrument if you want to throw big flies. It's getting hard to find 2-piece rods but they are usually a steal and they out-perform the 4-piece rods by a really wide margin. I don't know how people tolerate rods that come apart a handful of times during a day of fishing.

Even better: G Loomis has one piece rods in the [NRX line](#) and the [crosscurrent line](#). This would be my ideal streamer rod. I'd have to leave it in the Kayak to transport it, but in the long run I think this would be better. I prefer to be inconvenienced when I'm not on the water, as opposed to while I'm fishing.

For the lines I use 18"-24" of 80-LB seaguar fluorocarbon as a shock tippet and 25 lb. leader that is 3-4" long. You definitely need to have a break point to save your fly line.