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I carry them, the kind with the curved end. I mostly use them for warm water fishing when I don't necessarily fish barbless. I use the curved end to tie my surgeons loop - stick the curved end through the loop to guide the ends through. Saves from having to use a long tag end, and waste a lot of leader. Rarely use them on a trout stream since I fish barbless - but like others have said, sometimes a trout will take a streamer deeper than normal, when drifting buggers. For stripping streamers, the hook is almost always in the corner of the mouth.