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I suggest the Colton Slipstream XS rod. This is a new rod design by Colton. The 6wt has a small fighting butt too.

I have this rod, and I am casting a Rio Gold WF6F line. This is a fast action rod. The stiff butt section of a fast action rod comes in handy if you hook a larger fish in heavy current. The tip flex also allows you to put more line in the air when casting. This is why I chose the Rio Gold with it's 47-foot head. The 47-foot head section weighs 266 grains, so you'll need a fast action rod for optimal performance. I like to throw the smaller #4 Clousers with this setup, but it also works with the #2 size Clouser.

I also use a 7wt Colton Tradewinds rod for throwing the larger 1/50 oz #2 Clousers. The line I use with this rod is the Rio Cold Water Clouser WF7F.

I usually use the 6wt. I have tried a lot of different 6wt rods. Take my advice. Get a fast action or tip flex rod. Any brand name will do, but make sure it's a fast action rod. In my experience, these rods are the best for throwing Clousers and larger poppers.

I like the Colton rods and believe they are an excellent value. Also check out Flying Pig Performance Fly Rods or the TFO TiCr series.

Or the newer TFO BVK series.