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Sounds like you have a good start. Fish blue quills with zebra midges dropped off of them. DEADLY on SPRING CREEK EARLY. Small blue quills 22-18 is what I had the best luck with. My science teacher put me on these flies in highschool, and hooked me up with them.

I had a ton of luck last year on some big ugly stoneflies. Similar to the ones on the other stonefly thread but tied with squirrel and rabbit dubbing. Not sure if these big bugs were matching the stones in the stream, as I imagine they would not yet be that big, but some have longer life cycles, but they were hammering size 10-6. I was tossing these as anchor flies to get my favorite nymphs down. I wasn't complaining.

I have decent luck with caddis larva as well in the early season. A simple olive, chartreuse, or brown vinyl ribbed body with peacock legs, and either a bead or thread head always does the trick.

copper johns work well for me as well.

I like using crystal meth type sucker spawn as on occasion. I just picked up some while colors like blue, and some crazy pinks and orange pearl braids for this very reason.

I didn't see any walts worm listed on your list either. Some swear by green or orange weenies but I have yet to catch a fish on one of those things. Others I have tied for have had luck, just not me.