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I fish the green inchworms in the small, medium and large sizes and all work. Overall, though, I think the ones that are about 1 inch long are better than smaller ones. Even on small streams, wild trout and low, clear water.

For mountain streams, Stimulators are really great. I fish mostly size 14s, but it's good to have some size 16s and 12 also. The ones with yellow bodies work great. I don't know if you even need other colors, but I've also had good luck with the ones with light brown bodies.

Also great on mountain streams (and other streams) are parachute dry flies. Again light brown and yellow are two very good body colors. Sizes: 14 and 12.

Standard nymphs are things like pheasant tails and Walts Worms. A beadhead Walts Worm, with a copper or brass colored bead is a very good pattern. Sizes 16, 14 mostly. Size 12 when the water is high and chalky.

Elk hair caddis, with a tan body, size 16 especially, but also size 14, are a must. One of the best dry flies ever, IMHO.