

State of Alaska  
 Department of Fish and Game  
 Public Review Nomination for Waters  
 Important to Anadromous Species

Addition

Deletion

Name of Waterbody (if known): FISH CREEK

Location:

Anadromous Waters Catalog Volume and Number 83-1424  
330-00-10840

USGS 1:63,360 Quadrangle \_\_\_\_\_

or 1:250,000 (if 1:63,360 not available) HARRISON TAY B-3

Species	Date(s) Observed	Stage(s) (Spawning, Rearing, Migration)
ARCTIC CISCO	Summer 82, Winter 82	M ?
ARCTIC CHAR	Summer 82	M ?
PINK SALMON	Summer 82	M ?
CHUM SALMON	Summer 82	M ?

Comments: Please provide any clarifying information in addition to identification on Anadromous Waters Catalog Public Review Maps.

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by Nuliasut fishermen during '82 season; fishery  
location is from the mouth of Fish Creek up to 30 miles  
upstream Fish Creek with some limited use of Ublutwoch  
river and Judy Creek (tributaries to Fish Creek); catch figures not  
available.

Name of Observer (please print) SVERRE PEDERSEN

Date: 2-28-83

Signature: Sverre Ped

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 all 3 rivers.  
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HUMBACK WHITEFISH	Summer 82	M?
LEAST CISCO	Summer 82, Fall 82	M?

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NUIQSUT



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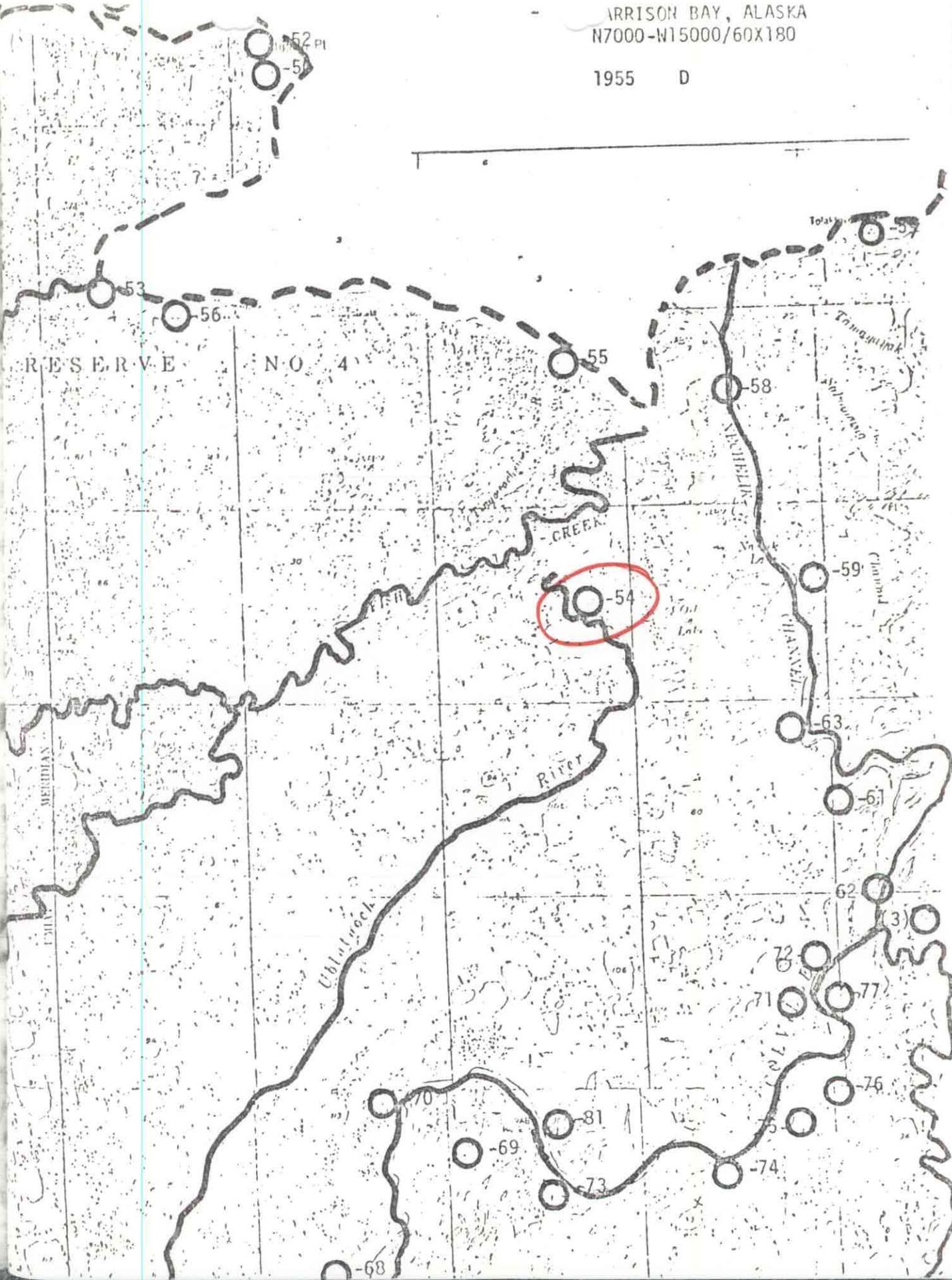
RIVER

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WESTMAN  
LUMBER





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SITE

SIGNIFICANCE

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1. Ugiin (Harrison Bay, F)	1, 3 Eguakaq's Cabin.
2. Knifeblade Ridge (Kimikpak) Ikpikpak River, F)	2, 4, "Old" grave located on September Creek, marked grave.
3. Katairuak (Ikpikpak River, A)	Coal
4. Nigligiak (Tasikpak, C)	4
5. Kignivik (Tasikpak, C)	6
6. Kingatak (Tasikpak, B)	4, 6
7. Kuulugruak (Tasikpak, A)	4
8. Igluparak (Barrow)	4
9. Tungagavik (meaning place with devils) (Tasikpak, E)	4
10. Kunguliurak (Barrow)	4, 8 (roots)
11. Kungulik Point (Barrow)	4, 8 (roots)
12. Tulimanik (Barrow)	3, 4, 8 (roots) Flooded sod ruins.
13. Isuliumanik (Tasikpak, D)	2, 4, 6 Graves of Harriet Pausanna, Kalayouk, Nayukuk parents.
14. Shuglak (Tasikpak, A)	4, 6, 7 1958, left by Shugluk
15. ALAKTAK (Tasikpak, C)	1, 2, 4, 7 Reindeer corral-ranch owned by the Brower family on Chipp River. Tom Brower's cabin. Dorcas Ungarook's grave. "Old" graves.

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44. Ikaluuruak (Harrison Bay, E)	1, 2, 4, 7 Fish - Anaaliq; cabin built in 1927 by Harold Itta; (2) graves of Itta grandfather and Leavitt; (2) cellars - Harold Itta and Chester Lampe.
45. Niġlivik (Harrison Bay, E)	4, 6, 7, 8 (nesting)
46. Agki (Harrison Bay, E)	3, 5, 6 Sod house ruins, one of Uġruak.
47. Taglii (Tasikpak, A)	4 Fish - Annaliq, Ikalusaak, Igalukpik; Fishing trail follows river west to the Ikpikpak River Trail.
48. Nuyapisut (Harrison Bay, E)	5, 8 (driftwood)
49. Saktui (Harrison Bay, D)	2, 3, 4, 5 Trading Post long ago belonged to Edwardson; erosion of inland; Grave of Tuġruk.
50. Qiqiktag	4, 5, 6
51. Tikigaqmiut (Eskimo Island) (Tasikpak, A)	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 "Old" cemetery mostly of Pt. Hope people who were kept from going ashore by area residents. Eventually, these people were starved to death on this island.
52. Atiġruk Pt. (Amaulik) Harrison Bay, D)	2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Grave of Amaulik's (great grandfather Okakok)
53. Kanjgluq (Harrison Bay, D)	3, 4, 5, 7 Sod ruin (1) belongs to Iguagak; Trail joins Igkalluupalik River, joining Uvlutuuq into the Ikpikpak River Trail; being considered an archaeological site, 7 sod house ruins.
54. Niaquqturuq (Harrison Bay, B)	3, 4, 8 (duckhunting & nesting)
55. Nikruapaitch (Harrison Bay, B)	6, 8
56. Ikkalipik (Fish) (Harrison Bay, B)	3, 4, 5, 8 Koganak used to live there.

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## BAYS, RIVERS, CHANNELS, CREEKS, LAKES

<u>SITE</u>	<u>SIGNIFICANCE</u>
Tigmiasivik River	4
Ikałłipik Creek	4
Fish Creek	4
Igkaluapalik Creek	4
Uvlutuuq Creek	4
Igligaq Lake	4
Kiatun Lake	4
Uuigalik	4
Tulugak Lake	4
Pittasuk River	4
Killavaak River	4
Natvaguak Lake	4, 6
Sagavanirtok River	4, 5, 6
Itkillik River	4, 6
Niglik Channel	4, 6

# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

Harrison Bay

Bill Sheffield, Governor

Subsistence Division  
1300 College Rd.  
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March 1, 1983

Phil Koehl  
Habitat Division  
Dept. of Fish and Game  
Anchorage

Re: Subsistence Use of Fish Creek

On January 11 you sent me a memo requesting information on subsistence fishing activities and species caught in Fish Creek near Nuiqsut. I subsequently (Jan. 17) sent you a reply memo with some references I hope you found useful.

Recently I returned from fieldwork in Nuiqsut and while there I collected some information I would consider relevant to placing Fish Creek on the updated anadromous stream catalog.

In general, the following species are caught in Fish Creek by Nuiqsut fishermen:

<u>Species</u>	<u>Season Caught</u>
Round/Broad Whitefish	Summer, Fall, Winter
Humpback Whitefish	Summer
Least Cisco	Summer, Fall, Winter(?)
Arctic Cisco	Summer, Winter
Arctic Char	Summer
Arctic Grayling	Summer, Fall, Winter
Chum Salmon	Summer
Pink Salmon	Summer
Rainbow Smelt (only at the mouth of Fish Creek)	Summer

I have no detailed information on resource selection or level of catch other than that it appears, from informal discussions with selected fishermen, that they seek round/broad whitefish, grayling, least cisco and arctic cisco in particular. Several households still have sizeable holdings of broad/round whitefish in their ice cellars, both in the community and at fish camps, from fishing efforts last summer and fall (personal observations, Feb. 83).

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With respect to fish camp locations on Fish Creek I can offer the following, based again on informal discussions with Nuiqsut fishermen. Fish camps are accessed by small outboard powered boats in summer and early fall. These camps are located from the mouth of Fish Creek and as far as 20 to 30 miles upriver depending on time of year and which tide people go upriver on. Most camps, however, are located between the mouth of Fish Creek and 10 miles upriver, and are concentrated in locations where large lakes are near the river. These fishcamps usually have permanent drying racks set up near the fishing location. I recently (Feb. 83) observed a number of these structures on the lower reaches of Fish Creek.

Late fall and early winter fishcamps are accessed by snowmachine. Fishing occurs in numerous locations on the mid and lower reaches of Fish Creek. No permanent site structures are associated with this fishery.

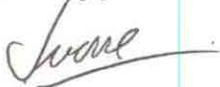
The North Slope Traditional Land Use Inventory only mentions two sites in the area, numbers 1 and 54. Only site #54 is listed as having a fishing component (see attachment).

Summer and early fall technology involves mainly monofilament gill nets and some hook and line. Fall and winter technology involves hook and line as well as some gill netting.

The above information is somewhat sketchy but should suffice to place Fish Creek on your updated anadromous stream catalog, a first step towards protection of the river, resource and fishery in the face of rapid industrial development in the area.

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact this office. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,



Sverre Pedersen  
Resource Specialist II

P.S. Attached are some filled out nomination forms, and a few relevant pages from the Nuiqsut TLUI.