

MEMORANDUM

State of Alaska

TO: Phyllis Weber
Habitat Biologist
Anchorage

DATE: July 7, 1983

FILE NO: *Wiseman*

TELEPHONE NO: 344-0541

FROM: Durand Cook *DRC*
Habitat Biologist
Anchorage

SUBJECT: Dick Emerson
Slate Creek Follow-up
83-1397

I have been following up on a phone call between Mr. Dick Emerson, a miner in the Coldfoot-Wiseman area, and Ron Regnart, AYK Regional Supervisor, Commercial Fisheries. Mr. Emerson called wanting to know the possibility of opening a subsistence fishery on the middle fork of the Koyokuk River. Ron did not get an address from Mr. Emerson but was given the impression the chinook sightings occurred in the lower portion of Slate Creek. A check of salmon distribution from the Anadromous Water Atlas show chinook and chum salmon in the lower 2½ miles of Slate Creek. I contacted Al Townsend, habitat biologist, Fairbanks, to check if Mr. Emerson could be located from a mining application. Al said he has no application from Mr. Emerson. Al also pointed out that a historic trail going up to Myrtle Creek crosses Slate Creek about 30 times in the first 3 miles above the documented upper reach in the Anadromous Waters Atlas.

It appears at present Alaska Department of Fish and Game has identified chinook salmon upstream migration as far as presently possible without additional field surveys.

Attachment

cc: R. Regnart
A. Townsend

MORANDUM

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TO: Louis Barton
Fishery Biologist
Commercial Fisheries
Fairbanks

DATE: June 21, 1983

FILE NO:

344-0541

TELEPHONE NO:

FROM: Ron Regnart *RR*
Regional Supervisor
Commercial Fisheries
Anchorage

SUBJECT: Slate Creek

A Mr. Dick Emerson, a miner in the Codfoot-Wiseman area, called regarding subsistence fishing in the middle fork of the Koyokuk River. He knew this area is closed to subsistence fishing but wanted to know if there were any possibility of opening it up soon. I indicated that this was doubtful unless salmon runs in this area increased. The point that I'm trying to get to is that he took two kings on a rod and reel in Slate Creek last July. He also indicated that he observed a total of about 6 kings in the river. I thought you'd need this information for your stream catalog.

cc: Andersen ✓
Francisco ✓

contacted Al. Townsend

DOT

identified as histon

30. time in 1st 3 mile

*McNally
Mogann
Yellow River*

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