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CORRECTION FORM



CORRECTION TO: ATLAS _____ CATALOG X

REGION: SCN

MAP: Seward 3-7

WATERWAY NUMBER: 244-30-10010-2225

DESCRIBE CHANGE(S): Rename 244-30-10010-2225
AS "Trail Creek" current name
Trail River is incorrect.

CHANGE REQUESTED BY: Johnson

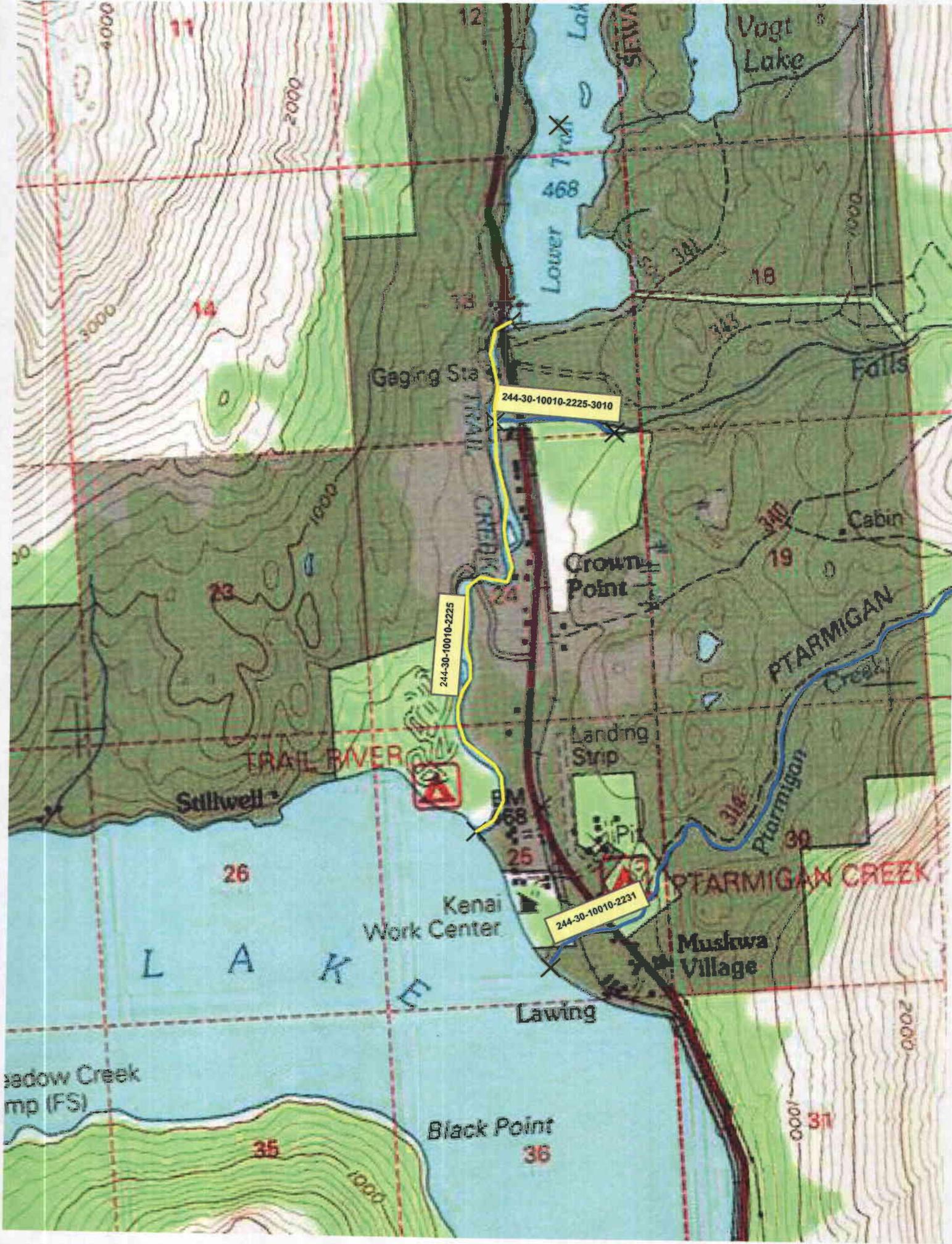
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Vogt Lake

Lower Trail Lake

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Gaging Station

244-30-10010-2225-3010

Falls

244-30-10010-2225

Crown Point

Cabin

PTARMIGAN Creek

TRAIL RIVER

Sillwell

Landing Strip

PTARMIGAN CREEK

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L A K E

Kenai Work Center

244-30-10010-2231

Muskwa Village

Lawing

Shadow Creek Camp (FS)

Black Point

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J -

Enjoy the weekend!

Cheers, AC

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OK... here goes on this one...

On the Seward C-6 and C-7 quads dating from 1953, Trail Creek is used and there is a name card indicating the name was verified with a source, generally it was Mr. Schwartz, the Division Supervisor of the Chugach N.F. at the time. The Advance Proof blue line for Seward C-6 also shows North Fork as the stream comes out of the Trail Glacier. On the Advance Proof blue line for Seward B-7 map, there is a notation to label the stream south of Lower Trail Lake as Trail River. There is no name card for verification for the name. We don't have any materials for any of the later editions of the Single Edition maps. I think a lot of that stuff (some quad reports and names sheets) got tossed because some higher-ups thought that since the map was already made, we didn't need it anymore. Good grief. Anyway, this sort of explains how Trail River got on the map, but it doesn't explain why it continued to be used on larger-scale maps well after the 1966 BGN decision. The Chugach NF maps use Trail Creek above Upper Trail Lake, but don't label between Lower Trail Lake and Kenai Lake. The USGS 250k uses Trail Creek for the entire feature. At least one map shows it correct. I can understand why the Forest Service uses Trail River as its campground name if they think the name of the stream is Trail River. Time to fix the folios on this one too.

Let me know if you need anything else.

Maria

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Subject Re: Fw: Alaska Trail Creek/River Link

Hi A.C.,

At first glance, this would seem to have an easy answer: Trail Creek was a 1966 BGN decision, so that's the official Federal name. The GNIS record even says "23 mi long; Heads at the terminus of Trail Glacier on Kenai Penin., flows WSW through Upper and Lower Trail Lakes to Kenai Lake, 20 mi N of Seward, Chugach Mts.; Local name reported in 1898 by Mendenhall (1900, map 6), USGS." Trail River is listed only as a variant of Trail Creek.

But of course that doesn't explain why the quads published long after 1966 continued to show "Trail River" south of Lower Trail Lake, or why the FS calls its campground Trail River. Can you folks in Denver offer any explanation?

I will check the 1966 BGN decision file when I get back in the office in the morning and see if it adds anything more to the mystery. Let us do some more checking before you give "J." an official answer.

Regards,
Jenny

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Dwight/Jennifer,

Here's another mystery from our colleagues at Alaska Fish and Game.

Cheers, AC

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trail creek/river

Subject



A.C.

Knowing how much you like a good mystery, I've found ya a dilly

Refer to trail_creek_overview.pdf – two creeks in yellow, one below lower trail lake, one above upper trail lake

NHD info for lower creek - dept had called it Trail River based on older DRG - refer to trail_river.pdf

GNIS_ID 01417078
GNIS_NAME Trail Creek
LENGTHKM 1.66
REACHCODE 19020302008574
FType ArtificialPath
FCode Artificial Path

NHD info for upper creek – dept had called this trail creek – w/different AWC # (trail_creek_upper.pdf)

GNIS_ID 01417078
GNIS_NAME Trail Creek
LENGTHKM 0.463
REACHCODE 19020302008588
FType ArtificialPath
FCode Artificial Path

You can see from trail_creek.pdf – (based on newer DRGn Natl Geographic) that Trail River was changed to Trail Creek to reflect GNIS ID & name for each arc

Why is this of a concern to dept? If Trail Creek does run from Kenai Lake thru Lower and Upper Trail Lakes, the dept would need to revise numbering of Trail Creek above Upper Trail Lake. BTW – USFS campground near Trail River/Trail Creek is named Trail River Campground. Any clarification you or your contacts in CO could provide would be appreciated.

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