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Nomination Form  
Fish Distribution Database

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Region Southeast Region I

USGS Quad Skagway B-4

Fish Distribution Database Number of Waterway 115-32-10250-2077-3136

Name of Waterway 37 Mile Creek  USGS Name  Local Name

Addition  Deletion  Correction  Backup Information

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Nomination #	<u>04 082</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>5/13/04</u>
Revision Year:	<u>2005</u>	Fisheries Scientist	Date
Revision to:	Atlas _____ Catalog _____	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>04/27/04</u>
	Both <u>X</u>	FDD Project Biologist	Date
Revision Code:	<u>B-1, C-5, C7, C1</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>10/19/04</u>
		Drafted	Date

OBSERVATION INFORMATION

Species	Date(s) Observed	Spawning	Rearing	Present	Anadromous
sockeye salmon	8/24&31/2000	X			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
chinook salmon	8/25/2003	X			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
chum salmon	9/3/2003	X			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
coho salmon	10/6 - 11/21/2003	X	X		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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**IMPORTANT:** Provide all supporting documentation that this water body is important for the spawning, rearing or migration of anadromous fish, including: number of fish and life stages observed; sampling methods, sampling duration and area sampled; copies of field notes; etc. Attach a copy of a map showing location of mouth and observed upper extent of each species, as well as other information such as: specific stream reaches observed as spawning or rearing habitat; locations, types, and heights of any barriers; etc.

**Comments:** The Alaska DOTPF realigned the Haines Highway out into the Klehini River floodplain between mile 34 and 36 during 2000. As mitigation for this, the mouth of 37 mile was extended several miles (on the inside of the highway) and stream habitat and wetlands were created. As a result, the location of the stream in the atlas is no longer accurate. The new stream mouth is now located (GPS) at N 57.43411, W 136.23643. While reviewing the initial work on the stream in August of 2000, Ben Kirkpatrick and I observed approx. 12 sockeye salmon spawning in the created stream channel. In August of this year, my crew counted 11 and sampled 8 adult chinook salmon that were spawning in the new stream channel. A F&G crew monitoring the success of the mitigation, observed 7 adult chum salmon spawning in the new channel. This crew also trapped juvenile Dolly Varden and coho salmon as part of their monitoring. This fall, my crew sampled over 900 adult coho salmon in this stream for marks (part of a mark-recapture experiment in the Chilkat River drainage).

*Add to stream, change mouth location, renumber streams  
add species where indicated & change C H<sub>p</sub> to pt lower in stream.*

Name of Observer (please print): Randolph Ericksen  
Signature: [Signature]  
Address: ADFG - Div. of Sport Fish  
PO Box 330, Haines, AK 99827

Date: 11/28/03

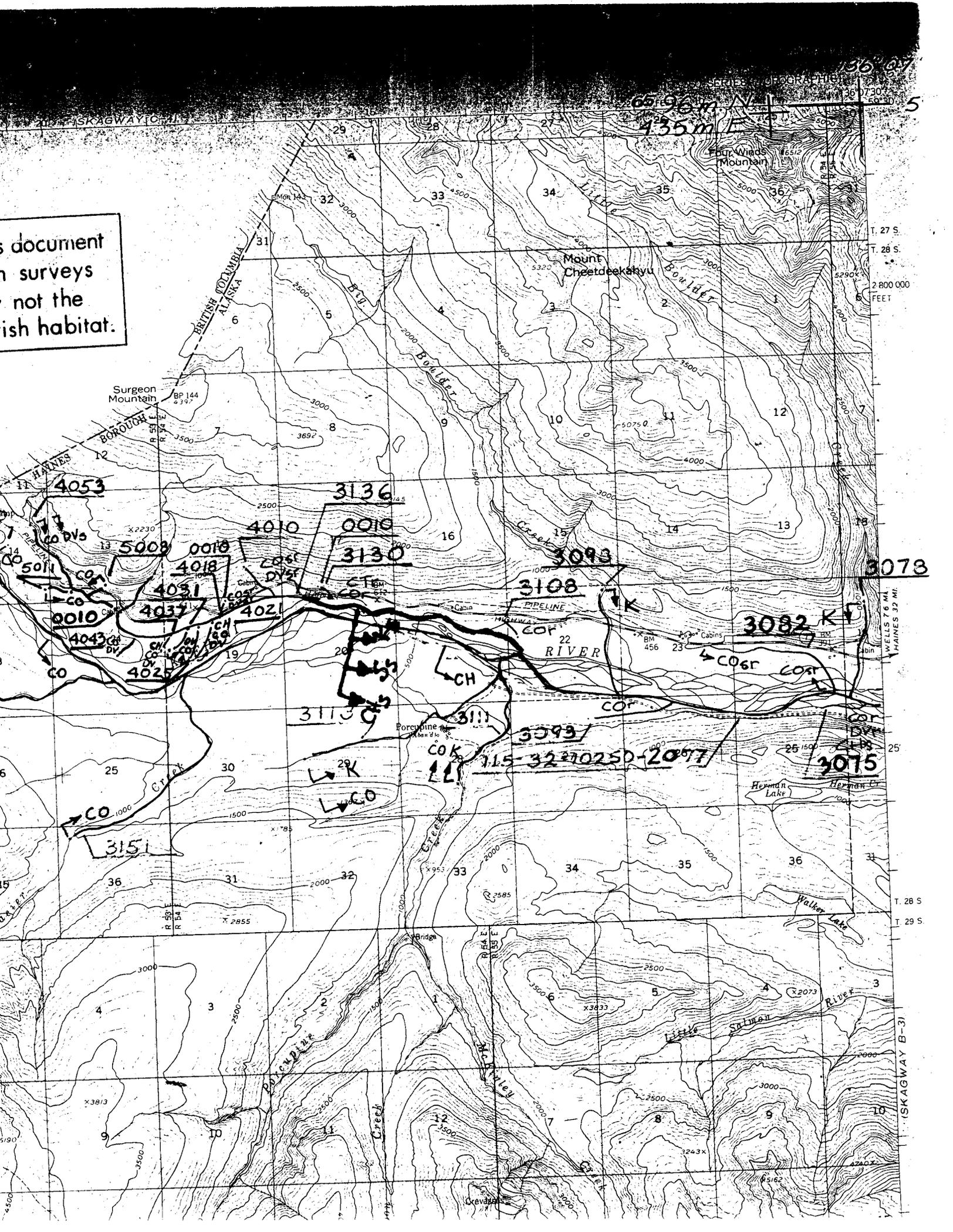
This certifies that in my best professional judgment and belief the above information is evidence that this waterbody should be included in or deleted from the Fish Distribution Database.

Signature of Area Biologist: [Signature]  
Name of Area Biologist (please print): Randolph P. Ericksen

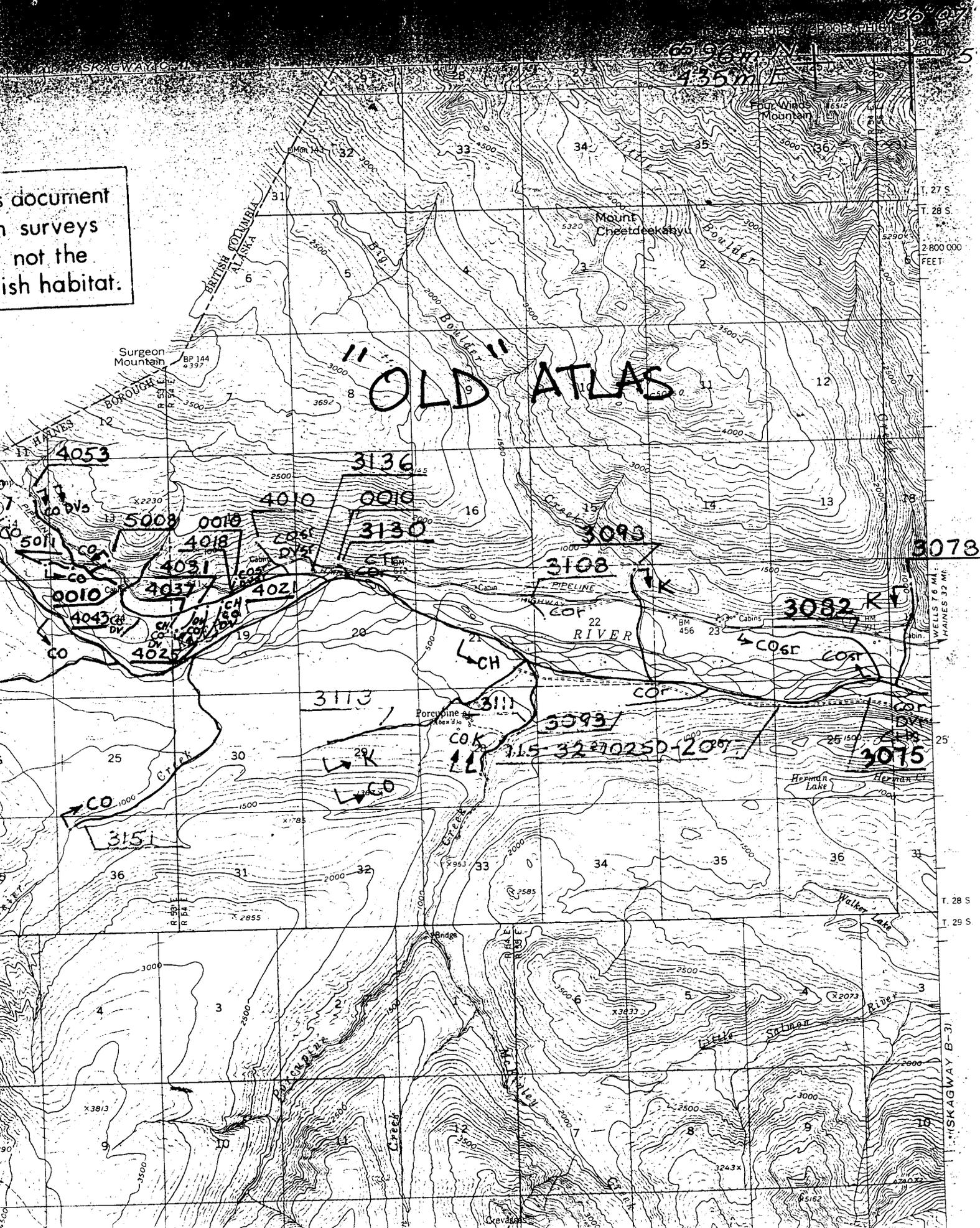
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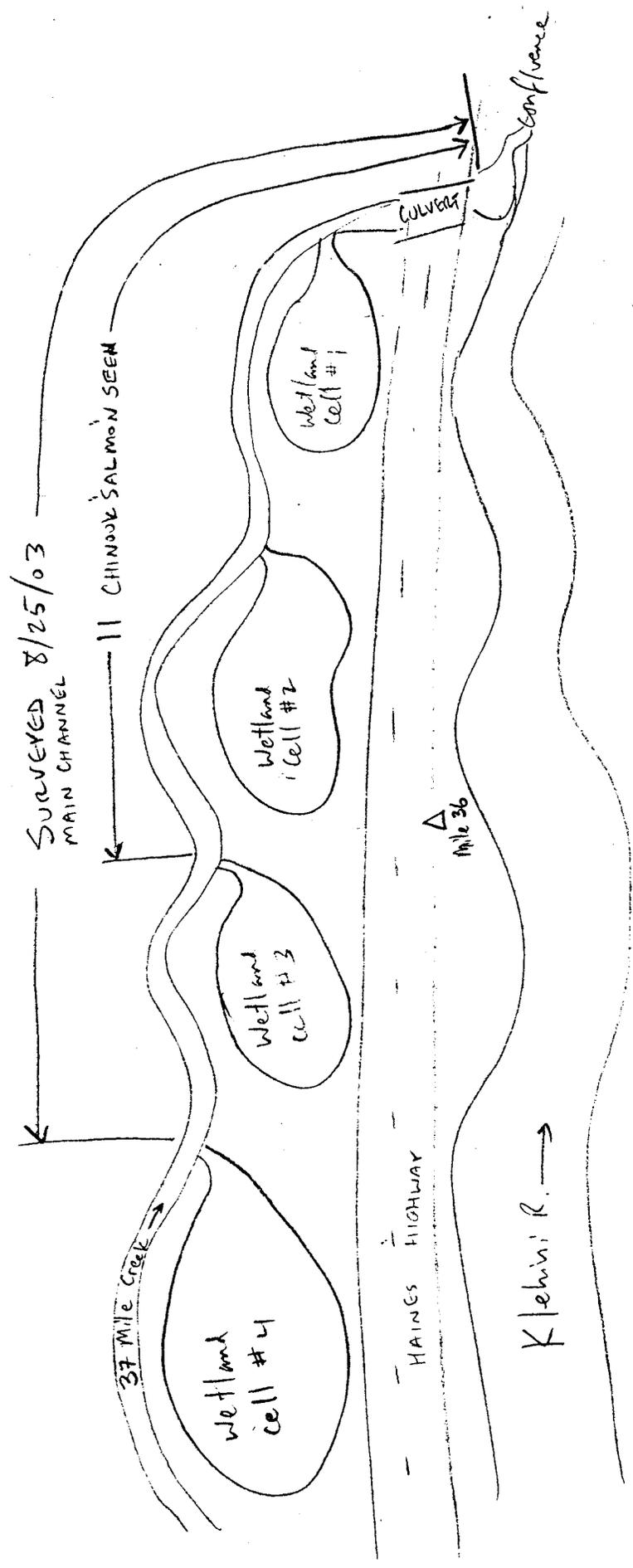
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SKAGWAY B-3

RICHARD GRAY & TED LAMBERT, ADF&G / SPORT FISH

11 CHINOOK SALMON SEEN ON CHINOOK TAG RECOVERY SURVEY 8/25/03

8 CHINOOK SALMON SAMPLED FOR AD-CLIP, SEX, LENGTH, SCALDS, SPawning AND





## Randy Ericksen

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**From:** Ben Kirkpatrick [ben\_kirkpatrick@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 20, 2003 2:23 PM  
**To:** 'Randy Ericksen'; 'David P Gregovich'; 'mark sogge'; 'Randall Bachman'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

I noted chums spawning chums on 9/3/03. I saw 7 chums in a very incomplete survey, but they were from the upper end of the reconstructed area to the top of the first wetland cell. I can bring my notes over to copy.

I would like to get the info from any surveys you or your crew conducted on this creek. Numbers and locations would be great. We'll include them in this year's HH monitoring report. Thanks. ben

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Randy Ericksen [mailto:randy\_ericksen@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 20, 2003 9:18 AM  
**To:** Ben Kirkpatrick; David P Gregovich; 'mark sogge'; Randall Bachman  
**Cc:** Richard S Chapell  
**Subject:** 37 mile creek

ADF&G is currently accepting nominations for changes to the anadromous fish stream catalog through 12/1. The location of 37 mile in the catalog/atlas has not changed since the highway realignment. I am planning to submit a nomination form to change the stream location and update species information. Currently the stream is listed for coho and Dolly Varden spawning and rearing. I know that sockeye and chinook have been observed spawning in the stream. Are there any other species that should be listed? Please send me any observations (visual/trapping etc) with dates and numbers (by species) that you may have for this stream.

Also, does anyone have an exact location for the new stream mouth?

I will compile the information and submit a nomination form. Thanks for any help you can provide.

## Randy Ericksen

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**From:** Ben Kirkpatrick [ben\_kirkpatrick@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 26, 2003 4:59 PM  
**To:** 'Randy Bachman'; 'Randy Ericksen'; 'Mark Sogge'; 'David P Gregovich'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

According to my notes for that day we observed fish in the wetland channels, but no mention of adult spawners. They were still digging up the stream at that time, so its doubtful there would much spawning happening.

However, I will claim that growler, I just found my notes for 8/24/00; after stream reconstruction. I noted spawning sockeyes at sta 770 on 37 Mile Creek. No numbers or other observations though. ben

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Randy Bachman [mailto:Randy\_Bachman@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 26, 2003 2:17 PM  
**To:** 'Randy Ericksen'; 'Ben Kirkpatrick'; 'Mark Sogge'; 'David P Gregovich'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

Your right, it was 2000 since that was the year of the record high mainstem sockeye estimate. I suppose this doesn't rank enough for a growler though.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Randy Ericksen [mailto:randy\_ericksen@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 26, 2003 2:08 PM  
**To:** 'Randy Bachman'; 'Ben Kirkpatrick'; 'Mark Sogge'; 'David P Gregovich'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

You're both full of BS. I think it was 2000. August 31, 2000 to be exact. Unfortunately, I didn't write down anything about sockeye. I recollect maybe a dozen spawning in the stream. I'll buy a growler (or 6 pack) to the first person who can provide documentation to prove or disprove me.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Randy Bachman [mailto:Randy\_Bachman@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 26, 2003 1:36 PM  
**To:** 'Ben Kirkpatrick'; 'Mark Sogge'; 'Randy Ericksen'; 'David P Gregovich'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

I remember seeing them there in 2001 as well but don't have notes on it.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Ben Kirkpatrick [mailto:ben\_kirkpatrick@fishgame.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 26, 2003 1:23 PM  
**To:** 'Mark Sogge'; 'Randy Bachman'; 'Randy Ericksen'; 'David P Gregovich'  
**Cc:** 'Richard S Chapell'  
**Subject:** RE: 37 mile creek

I thought I remember them the first year after it was completed, 2001. Not sure if it was documented or not. I couldn't find any reference in my field book. ben

-----Original Message-----