

MEMORANDUM**State of Alaska**

TO: Alex McRea, Director
Sport Fish Division

DATE : August 15, 1962

FROM: Lou Bandirola *LB*

SUBJECT: Auke Lake Hatchery

Steelhead fry were stocked from the Auke Lake Hatchery on 8/8/62 and the hatchery secured on 8/9/62.

The hatchery as you are aware, is composed of three sets of double wood troughs. It was found this spring that the center set of troughs have a three foot portion of dry rot in the lower end of one segment. It is recommended that arrangements be made to

1. have 14 foot aluminum troughs constructed or,
2. make use of the short aluminum troughs which I understand are presently not being used in the Fairbanks hatchery.

Dresser couplings will be ordered to replace the irrigation twist couplings presently used on the pipeline.

The approach to the hatchery from the Fritz Cove road needs some minor work, e. g. top step has rotted out of the stairway; the stairs have a decided cant which should be righted, and the wood landing at the foot of the stairs is in a state of disrepair and all the planks should be replaced. Who is responsible for the servicing of this approach? Should we plan on the repairs or should we contact the Territorial Sportsmen?

Again this year lack of adequate water was a problem. Intake boxes were moved three times without results and a final solution for the last part of the rearing season resulted in polyethylene being placed inside the intake box to give a water proof seal.

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