State of Alaska
Department of Fish and Game
Sportfish Division

Nomination Form
Anadromous Waters Catalog

Region: Southeastern

USGS Quad(s): SKAGWAY A-2

Anadromous Waters Catalog Number of Water Body: 115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013

Name of Water Body: Unnamed Tributary of Sawmill Creek ☐ USGS Name ☐ Local Name

☑ Addition ☐ Deletion ☐ Correction ☑ Backup Information

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Nomination #: **24-527**

Revision Year: 2025

Revision to: ☑ Atlas ☑ Catalog

Revision Code: B-2, A-1, F-1

Adam Reimer — Fisheries Scientist	5-1-2024 — Date
Ron Benkert — Habitat Operations Manager	5/1/2024 — Date
AWC Project Biologist	9 April 2024 — Date
N Hunt — GIS Analyst	5/23/24 — Date

OBSERVATION INFORMATION

Species	Date(s) Observed	Spawning	Rearing	Present	Anadromous
coho salmon (X9)	10/13/2023	✓			✓
cutthroat trout	10/17/2023		✓		✓

~ADD new species life-phase COHO salmon SPAWNING to existing AWC Stream #115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013.

~EXTEND existing AWC Stream #115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013 with COHO salmon SPAWNING.

***Observations documented in this nomination also provide backup supporting information on Cutthroat trout rearing in existing AWC Stream #115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013*

Comments:

A culvert was replaced in this unnamed tributary of Sawmill Creek to improve fish passage in August 2012, and a roughened channel was constructed downstream in 2017. Trapping was conducted on 10/17/2023 to monitor efficacy of this restoration project. Juvenile cutthroat were captured in all traps except for the uppermost. Adult spawning coho were observed upstream of the trapping site at 59.241445, -135.463190 on 10/13/2023, and at 59.240792, -135.463874 on 10/16/2023.
Adult spawning coho should be added to anadromous stream #115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013 with an upper extent of 59.241445, -135.463190.
Please see attachments for more information regarding trapping effort, # of fish captured, etc.

Coordinates (Lat,Long): Upper(59.241445,-135.46319) Lower(59.240077,-135.464116)

Name of Observer (please print): Stacie Evans

Signature: 64.186.123.185 (Web Nomination) Date: 12/05/2023

Agency:

Address: PO Box 1331
Haines, AK 99827

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 Anadromous Waters Catalog.

Signature of Area Biologist: _____ Date: _____ Revision 3/16

Name of Area Biologist (please print):

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Trip Report: Sawmill Creek Tributary - Comstock Culvert

Anadromous Stream #: 115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013 **Permit:** SF2023-115

Date: 10/17/2023 **Technicians:** Stacie Evans, Jeremy Taylor

 # Minnow Traps: 8 **Trapping Duration:** 20hrs

Species and life stage: CTr, COs

Location:

Meridian	Township	Range	Section
Copper River	30 South	59 East	27

Trap Locations					
	Latitude	Longitude		Latitude	Longitude
Trap #1	59.240792	-135.463874	Trap #5	59.24043	-135.464183
Trap #2	59.240554	-135.463882	Trap #6	59.240324	-135.464362
Trap #3	59.240382	-135.46396	Trap #7	59.240143	-135.464292
Trap #4	59.24052	-135.464113	Trap #8	59.240077	-135.464116

Trap Results					
	Species	Fork Length (mm)		Species	Fork Length (mm)
Trap #1	None	-	Trap #5	Cutthroat	150
Trap #2	Cutthroat	130	Trap #5	Cutthroat	135
Trap #2	Cutthroat	90	Trap #5	Cutthroat	115
Trap #2	Cutthroat	75	Trap #5	Cutthroat	125
Trap #3	Cutthroat	125	Trap #5	Cutthroat	85
Trap #3	Cutthroat	80	Trap #6	Cutthroat	105
Trap #3	Cutthroat	105	Trap #6	Cutthroat	75
Trap #3	Cutthroat	100	Trap #7	Cutthroat	95
Trap #4	Cutthroat	75	Trap #8	Cutthroat	125
Trap #5	Cutthroat	110			

Adult coho observed on 10/16/2023 at 59.240685, -135.463885 (above) and on 10/13/2023 at 59.241445, -135.463190 (below).

Notes: A culvert was replaced in this unnamed tributary of Sawmill Creek to improve fish passage in August 2017. Trapping was conducted to monitor efficacy of this restoration project. Traps #1-5 were set upstream of the culvert on 10/16/2023, and traps #6-8 were set downstream. Juvenile cutthroat were captured in all traps except for trap #1. Adult spawning coho were observed upstream of the trapping site on 10/13/2023, and between traps #1 and 2 on 10/16/2023.

Recommendations: Add spawning coho to 115-32-10300-2002-3013-4013 of the Anadromous Waters Catalog with an upstream extent of 59.241445, -135.463190.

Nom # 24-527 Data Sheet

Aquatic Resource Permit report of collection activities – Data Submission Form (dsf).

As required by Stipulation #2 of your Aquatic Resource Permit, this data submission form should be filled out as completely as possible and returned to the Permit Coordinator (dfg.dif.[illegible]@alaska.gov) within 30 days of permit expiration. Include data for ALL fish captured or handled under your permit, including incidentally caught or non-target species.

ADF&G Aquatic Resource Permit #: SF2023-116

The area biologist was contacted on: 7/24/2023

**Click on cell headers (rows 6/7) for description of data to be entered. **Choose from cell drop downs where present. **Scroll right to see all data columns. **See Instructions worksheet and Cell Drop Down List worksheet for further details.

Location ID (optional)	Latitude (decimal degrees)	Longitude (decimal degrees)	Datum	Coordinate determination method	Name of water body	Date	Observer name (the first and last name of the person handling fish)	Fish collection method	Species	Life stage	**Fill in only if data was collected, otherwise leave blank.** Length (mm) (for estimates or ranges)	Length method	Weight (g)	Sex	Age	Age method (sample type)	ADF&G GCL	Additional count (1)	Disposition (1)	Additional count (2)	Disposition (2)	Anesthesia/ Sedative Used (Leave blank if none used)	Comments
	59.537832	-136.100415	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	no fish collected or observed														
	59.53788	-136.100188	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	Dolly Varden	juvenile	90	Fork							IDed and Released				
	59.537875	-136.100043	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	Dolly Varden	juvenile	35	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.53786	-136.099752	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	Dolly Varden	juvenile	30	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.538013	-136.0995	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	Dolly Varden	juvenile	70	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.538193	-136.099498	WGS84	GPS	Unnamed Kelsall Tribu	7/27/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	Dolly Varden	juvenile	60	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.157381	-135.358671	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	slimy sculpin	adult	90	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.157376	-135.35927	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	slimy sculpin	adult	90	Fork							IDed and Released				
	59.157376	-135.35927	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	slimy sculpin	adult	80	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.157031	-135.358678	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	no fish collected or observed														
	59.156842	-135.358582	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	cutthroat trout	juvenile	95	Fork							IDed and Released				
	59.156842	-135.356582	WGS84	GPS	Mink Creek	7/25/2023	Stacie Evans	Minnow Trap	coho salmon	juvenile	75	Fork							IDed and Released				
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	59.241445	-135.46319	WGS84	GPS	Sawmill Creek	10/13/2023	Stacie Evans	Visual Observation, Gro	coho salmon	adult spawning								x5					

From: Stacie Evans
To: Giefer, Joe (DFG)
Subject: Re: AWC Web Nom #24-527 - Sawmill Creek Trib
Date: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 10:33:53 AM

Sure thing. There were 4 spotted in the downstream location, and 5 upstream.

On Tue, Apr 9, 2024 at 9:18 AM Giefer, Joe (DFG) <joe.giefer@alaska.gov> wrote:

> Hi Stacie,
>
> Just coming back around to process these nominations. Can you provide the number or estimate of adult coho that were observed at the two waypoints in the trib of Sawmill Creek?
>
> Thanks

Joe Giefer

Habitat Biologist III

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From: Stacie Evans <stacie@takshanuk.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 1:00 PM
To: Giefer, Joe (DFG) <joe.giefer@alaska.gov>
Subject: Re: AWC Web Nom #24-527 - Sawmill Creek Trib

From: Stacie Evans
To: Giefer, Joe (DFG)
Subject: Re: Comstock Tracks
Date: Friday, March 29, 2024 11:41:24 AM
Attachments: image001.png

Hi Joe,

I was a bit confused by that myself, but I am confident that the track is the most accurate datum. The building that it runs through doesn't actually exist anymore and I agree that it is likely that the imagery is off. Also, the stream channel appears to have rerouted a bit over the winter, so I think that explains the discrepancy with the traps. Trap 3 is a bit out there, so perhaps there was some kind of error there, but I think all of the others make sense.

I hope that helps! Let me know if you have more questions. Thanks.

Stacie

On Fri, Mar 29, 2024 at 10:47 AM Giefer, Joe (DFG) <joe.giefer@alaska.gov> wrote:

> Hi Stacie,
>
> Need to follow up on the Comstock trib, see below image. The points you provided actually display even farther east than the trap location and go right through the structure (circled in red). Blue line is how I will connect the stream channel waypoints you provided.
>
> I just want to conform that the points were taken in the waterbody and not off to the side on the bank, and there was no GPS signal problems? Like I mentioned previously, the imagery tends to have more distortion and accuracy issues than GPS data, so I tend to defer to the latter. But I would also like to describe what's going on here in the nom form and include a note that the gps data is accurate and the imagery not-so-much. Any questions please let me know.

Joe Giefer

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From: Stacie Evans <stacie@takshanuk.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 26, 2024 3:57 PM
To: Giefer, Joe (DFG) <joe.giefer@alaska.gov>
Subject: Tracks

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Hi Joe,

Here are the gps tracks for the portions of Mink Creek and Sawmill Creek that we talked about. Let me know if you need anything else. Thanks!

Best,

Stacie

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Stacie Evans

Science Director

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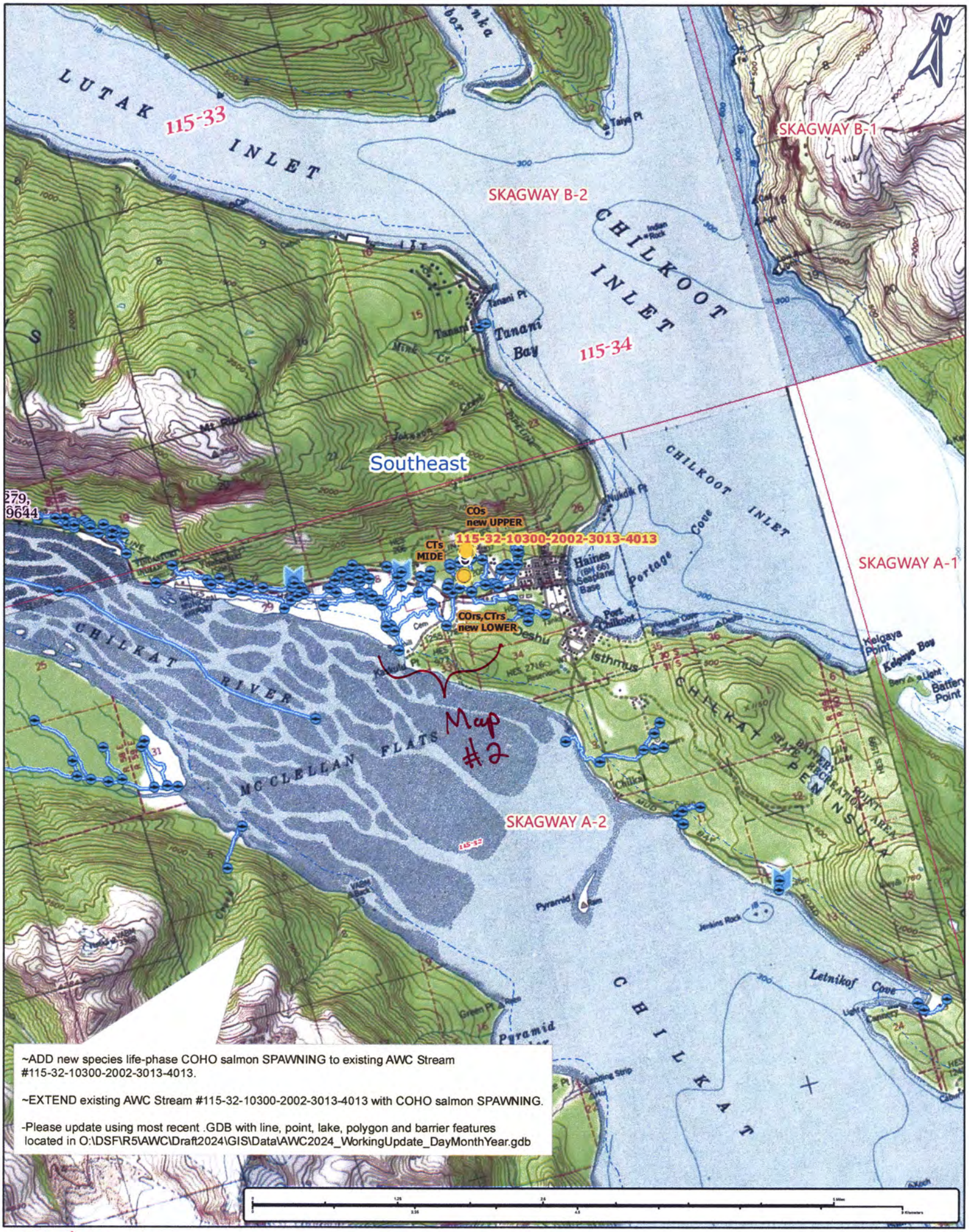

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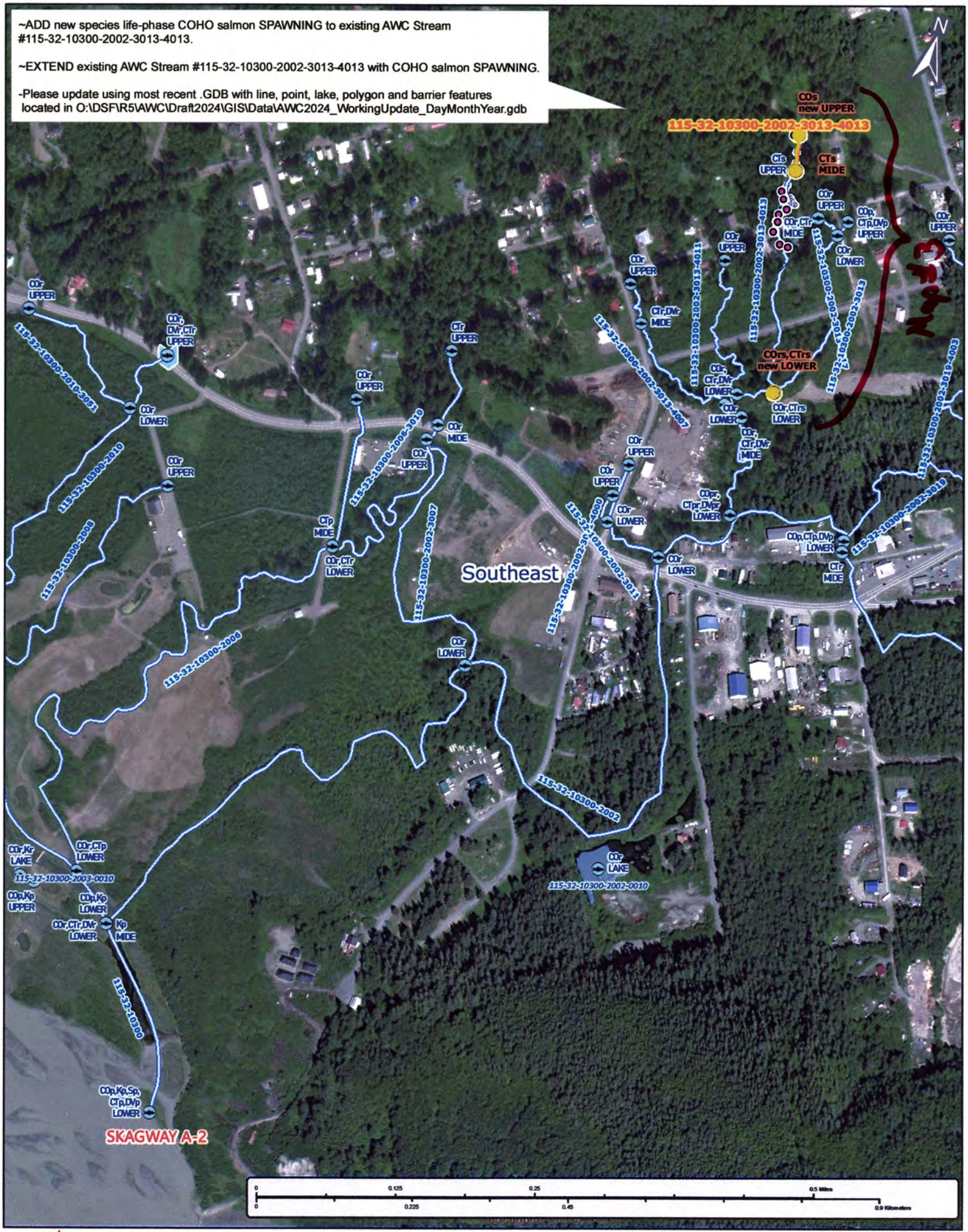
Map #1



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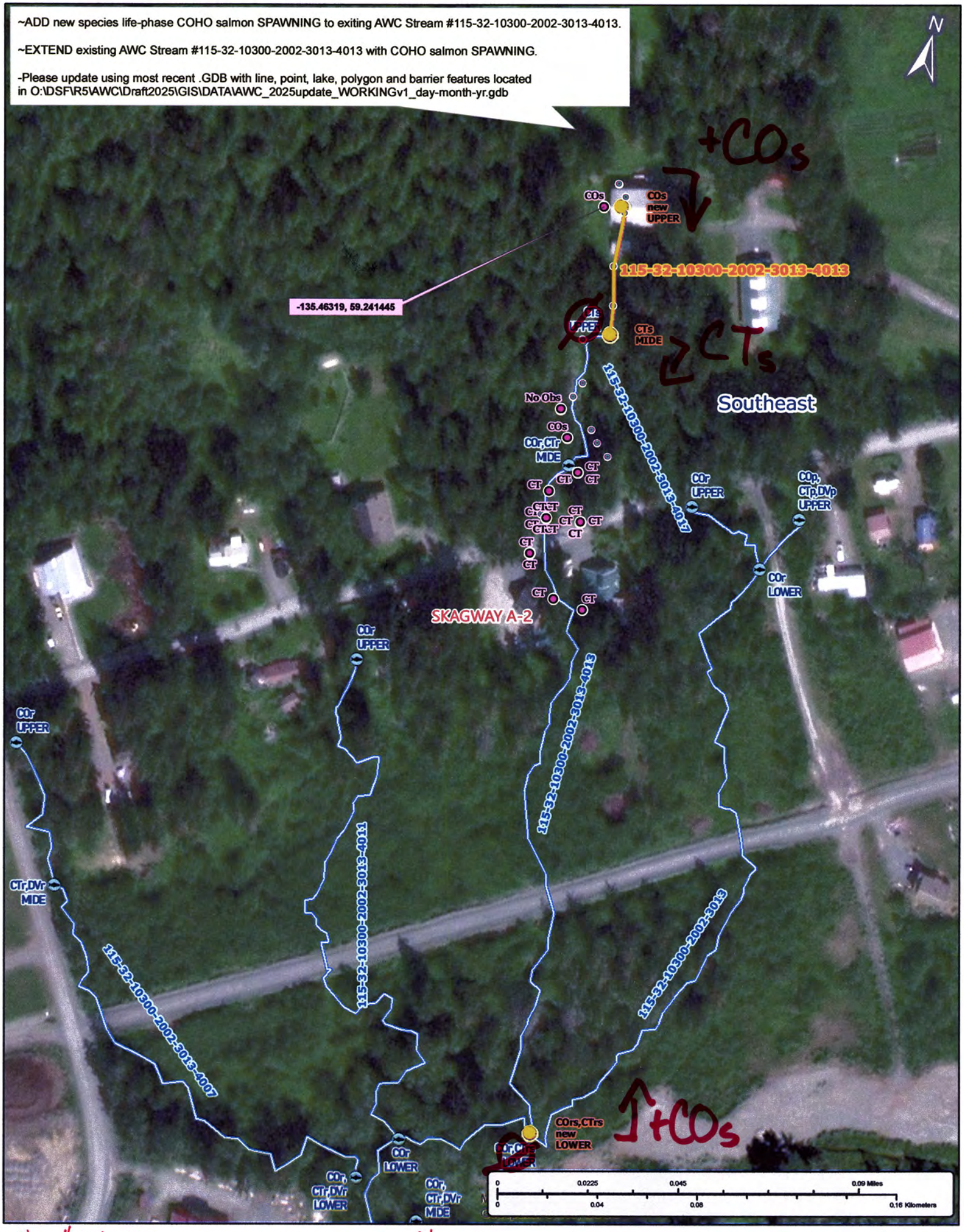
Map #2



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