Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Habitat Section Southeast Region

114-31-10130 Tributary 10

Water body name: Quad: Sitka D-5 Upper Reach Latitude: 57.972895 Longitude: -135.449048 Lower Reach Latitude: 57.972850 Longitude: -135.449254

Findings: We surveyed this uncataloged stream using a backpack electrofisher and GPS. We captured juvenile coho salmon, Dolly Varden, and cutthroat trout. The tributary stream had very little water further upstream at the time of survey, making both electrofishing and trapping impractical; however, juvenile coho salmon were captured near the confluence (Table 1; Figure 1).

Recommendations: Add this uncataloged stream to the anadromous waters catalog for rearing coho salmon (Figure 2).

Nomination: Pending

1159

Table 1.–114-31-10130 tributary 10 survey data.

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Waypoint	Latituda	Longitudo	Notos	Stream	Stream	Habitat	Gradient	Sample
waypoun	Latitude	Longitude	Notes	Width ft	Substrate	Features	%	Effort
1155	57.972863	-135.445916	Start of survey on	2-4	Small Gravel		4-6	EF
			tributary. Water very low		Fine Organic			
			upstream and not very					
			practical for electrofishing.					
			Resident fish capture.					
			Advancing downstream.					
1156	57.972866	-135.446233	Continued resident fish					EF
			capture. Largely					
			overgrown with skunk					
			cabbage and sedge grasses.					
1157	57.973034	-135.447181	Channel is nearly dry					Not
			starting ~200' upstream					Fished
			with sporadic disconnected					
			puddles of low water. Not					
			practical for electrofishing.					
1158	57.973134	-135.447518	Water returns to channel;	2-4	Fine Organic		1-2	EF
			fed by two small river-right		Small Gravel			

tributaries which look to have marginal CO habitat.

where electrofishing becomes more practical (compared to upstream).

57.972971 -135.448339 Resident fish capture

Survey date: 7/19/2022 **Species & Lifestage:** Survey crew: FC, RR

ADDITION



Sample

Results

1 CT 1 DV

3 DV

No Fish

3 DV

EF

Table 2.–Continued.

Waypoint	Latitude	Longitude	Notes	Stream Width ft	Stream Substrate	Habitat Features	Gradient %	Sample Effort	Sample Results
1160	57.972903	-135.449072	2-yr CO capture. Anadromous fish passage likely continues a few hundred feet upstream (no barrier/blockage or gradient increase), but upstream isn't conducive for electrofishing (small stream of low visibility water with surface starting 1-2' below cut banks and lots of crowding vegetation).	2-4	Fine Organic Small Gravel	Teatures	1-2	EF	2 CO



Figure 1.–Juvenile coho salmon captured at waypoint 1160.



Figure 2.–114-31-10130 tributary 10 addition map.