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Dear Chris,

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This spring I operated an upstream fish trap on Kraft Creek in the Swan Valley. The trap was positioned on Kraft Creek immediately upstream of the Hemlock Creek confluence and was operated from April 13 to May 28, 2004. The fish had fin clips taken (for genetic analysis) and were passed upstream. As required in my collector's permit (SCP-20-04), here are the results of what I captured in the trap.

Date	Species	Length	Comments
April 24	Oncorhynchus spp.	Approx 10cm	Fish escaped bucket
April 24	Western toad		Caught on fence, migrating downstream
April 25	Cutthroat ✓	8cm	Mort. Fish disposed on site
April 25	Cutthroat	21cm	
April 25	Rainbow ✓	36cm	
April 27	Cutthroat	12cm	
May 23	Cutthroat	16cm	
May 24	Cutthroat	14cm	
May 24	Cutthroat	22cm	
May 24	Brook trout ✓	19cm	
May 28	Cutthroat	11cm	

This data summary, along with additional detail, was shared with Scott Rumsey of the Kalispell Regional Office. Thank you for permitting this upstream fish trap. This information was needed to evaluate a possible new barrier on Kraft Creek in order to protect cutthroat trout from hybridization.

Sincerely,

Beth Gardner
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Fisheries Biologist



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