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#### INTRODUCTION

This report is part of a three-volume set of publications that summarizes the information gathered during a two and one-half year study of the fisheries of the Swan River drainage in relation to potential small hydro development. During the course of this study MDFW&P personnel conducted aerial and ground surveys of almost every tributary stream in the Swan River drainage between Swan and Lindbergh lakes (Figure 1). This information was collected in order to obtain a reliable basin-wide database which was used to evaluate the potential cumulative effects of a number of proposed small hydro developments on the fisheries of the drainage (see Leathe and Enk 1985). The fish population, fish spawning, and habitat inventory information presented herein will hopefully be useful to fisheries management personnel and land managers involved in evaluating the potential on-site and downstream impacts of such activities as small hydro development, road and bridge construction, and timber harvesting.

Each named tributary stream is treated as a "chapter" in this report and the streams (chapters) are ordered alphabetically. The first part of each chapter is a table that specifies the locations of all sampling sites as well as the date(s) when the surveys or measurements were performed. All locations are expressed in stream kilometers, which are measured beginning at the mouth of the stream (i.e. the point where it joins a larger stream, the Swan River, or a lake). Following the table of locations there is a reach-by-reach narrative summary of general habitat characteristics, outstanding features of the stream, and fish populations and spawning use. An attempt was made to rank many of the measured parameters relative to other surveyed stream reaches in the drainage. The methods used to collect this information are described elsewhere (Leathe and Graham 1983, Leathe and Enk 1985, Leathe 1985).

At the end of the reach-by-reach description of each stream, a biophysical inventory map has been included that displays reach boundaries, bridges, and other key features described in the legend (Figure 2). Stream kilometer marks have been placed on each map to facilitate the location of measurement sites presented at the beginning of each stream summary. Township, range, and section lines were also placed on the maps to assist in the relocation of sampling sites and also to aid in the determination of property ownership since a substantial amount of "checkerboard" land ownership occurs in the Swan. A set of standard U.S. Geological Survey 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle base maps (with kilometer markings) used for this study will be kept at MDFW&P headquarters in Kalispell.

Finally, fish population information and some of the more important chemical and physical parameters for each stream reach are tabulated in Appendix A. Detailed information on the distribution and intensity of bull trout spawning in the principal spawning

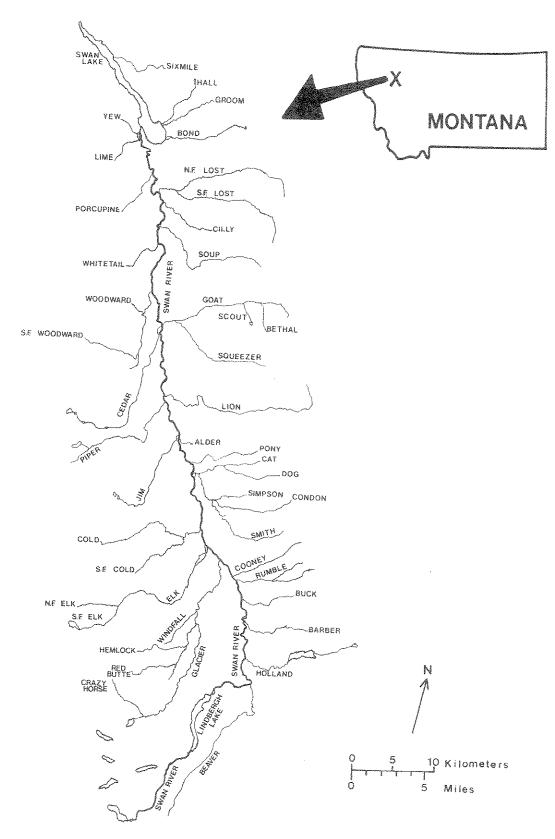


FIGURE 1. Map of the Swan River drainage, Montana.

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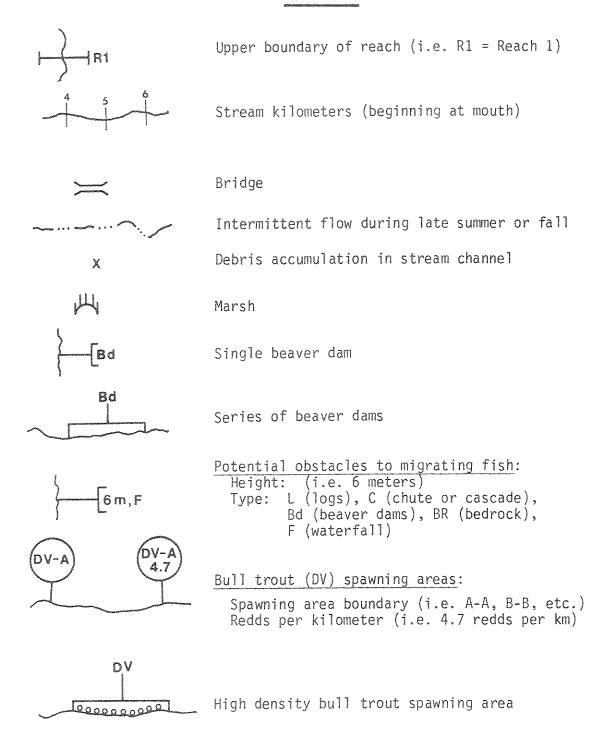


Figure 2. Legend for biophysical inventory maps.

streams during the years 1982 through 1984 is graphically depicted in Appendix B. Raw field data collected during the study is on file at the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks head-quarters in Kalispell. Also, raw stream habitat data, fish collection data, and summarized habitat and fish population data were entered and stored into the Discovery computer system at the MDFW&P office in Kalispell.

#### BARBER CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Barber Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	<u>Date(s)</u>
1	km 0-4.5	Location of reach	
2	km 4.5-8 km 5-7 km 6.5 km 4.5 km 4.6 km 6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	7/27/83 7/25/83 7/21/83 9/22/83 8/3/83-8/10/83

## Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 1 of Barber Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (16.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.0%). The channel width was estimated to be 2-3 meters. The streambed material was composed mostly of sand and silt. The D-90 was estimated to be low. The channel debris was low and there were no fish barriers observed. Marshes were common throughout the reach and the stream braided frequently.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Barber Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (8.9 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (50°F or 10.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (342 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 2.3 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 0.7 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.4 meters and was comprised of 2% pool, 25% riffle, 60% run, and 13% pocketwater-cascade. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools in the survey section. The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (35%) and sand (26%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (25%), cobble (8%), silt (4%), and boulder-bedrock (2%). D-90 was 11 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (40%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 72). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (31%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (82%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (36%).

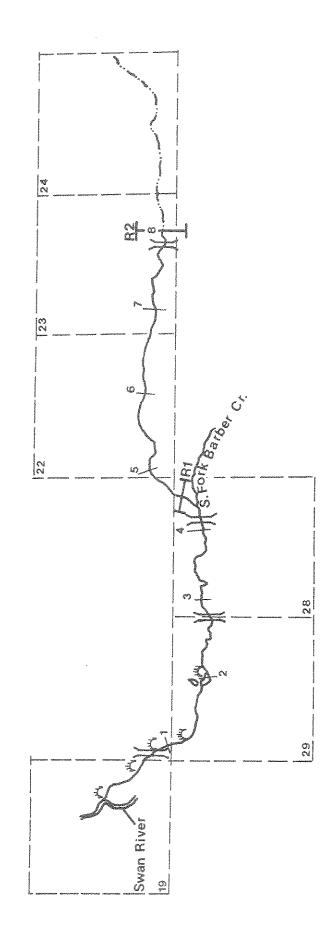
#### Stream Features

Within the reach boundaries there were no observed barriers to fish migration or prominant features. Streamflow was intermittent

in late summer at km 8.0, the designated upper boundary.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 100 m section of this reach on 25 July 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was low  $(39/300 \, \text{m})$ . The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was also low  $(18/300 \, \text{m})$ .



Biophysical inventory map of Barber Creek, a tributary to the Swan River. Figure 3.

#### BEAVER CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Beaver Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-7	Location of reach	
2	km 7-12.5	Location of reach	
3	km 12.5-19 km 16.5-18.5 km 16.5 km 17 km 13.5 km 16.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/14/83 9/20/83 9/14/83 9/22/83 8/18/83-9/20/83

## Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 1 of Beaver Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (62.1 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.0%). The channel width was estimated to be 3-5 meters. Channel debris was low and there were no fish barriers observed. The streambed material was composed mostly of gravel. The D-90 was estimated to be low. Some marsh sections were observed in the reach. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983. A one-pass population estimate was obtained by other Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Park's personnel who electrofished 183 m, 122 m, and 122 m sections of this reach (at km 1.5) on 12 August 1971, 18 August 1965, and 12 August 1965, respectively. Average densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for cutthroat trout (48/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (129/300 m).

#### Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 2 of Beaver Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (36.0 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.9%). The channel width was estimated to be 4-5 meters. Channel debris was moderate. A log jam at km 11.0 was considered to be a possible barrier to upstream fish movement. The streambed material was composed of gravel and cobble. The D-90 was estimated to be moderate. A few log jams and short cascade sections were present. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

## Reach 3

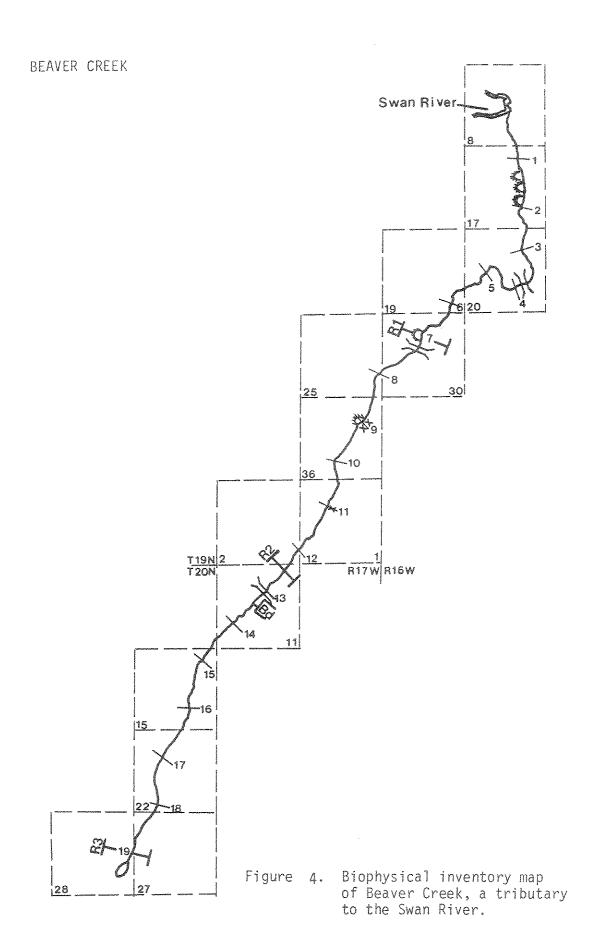
Reach 3 of Beaver Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (15.0 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (55°F or 12.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (102 The late summer flow was 2.9 cfs. The stream had an micromhos). average wetted width of 4.0 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 12% riffle, 80% run, and 3% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (11.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (49%) and cobble (19%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (16%), silt (11%), sand (3%), and boulder-bedrock (2%). D-90 was 18 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (88%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 64). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (37%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (72%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (67%).

#### Stream Features

Beaver dams were common in a 0.3 km length of stream in the vicinity of km 13.5.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 97 m section of this reach on 20 September 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was very high (285/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was low (18/300 m). A 4.5 km section (km 17.0-12.5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.



#### BETHAL CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Bethal Creek, a tributary to Goat Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3 km 0-2 km 0.3-0.5 km 0.2 km 0.2 km 0.5 km 2.8 km 0.0	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhouse	8/13/82 8/25/82;8/15/82 8/16/82;10/19/83 9/21/83 8/26/82-11/8/82

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Bethal Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (9.7 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (9.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (254 micromhos). The late summer flow was 3.8 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.5 meters and was comprised of 15% riffle, 52% run, and 33% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (4.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (34%) and large gravel (27%) with lesser amounts of cobble (25%), small gravel (12%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 39 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (35%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 70). There was a low amount of instream cover (11%) which was mostly comprised of debris and turbulence. Total overhead cover was low (40%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (19%).

#### Stream Features

There were numerous cascades from km 0.5 to km 1.0 which would likely prevent upstream fish movement.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing an 84 m section of this reach on 26 August 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer bull trout (the only species captured) was low (75/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (56/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production.

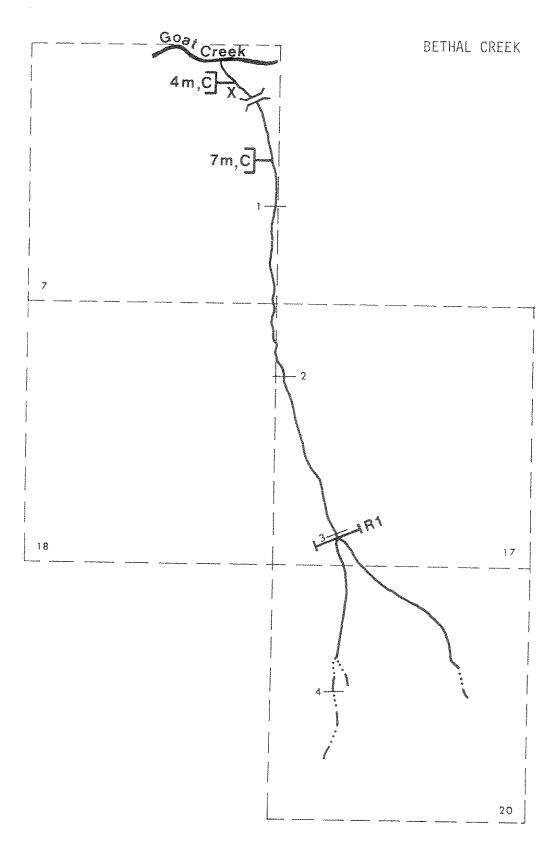


Figure 5. Biophysical inventory map of Bethal Creek, a tributary of Goat Creek.

#### BOND CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Bond Creek, a tributary to Swan Lake.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-4.3 km 2.5-3.5 km 2.7 km 2.5 km 0.8 km 2.7 km 0.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Fish trap	7/20/83 8/13/82 7/20/83 9/27/83 8/4/83-8/11/83 4/22/83-7/18/83
2	km 4.3-8.5 km 4.5-4.9 km 5.3	Location of reach Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro diversion	7/28/82-11/19/82

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Bond Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (20.0 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively cold (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (286 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 25.4 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 6.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.0 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 47% riffle, 40% run, and 10% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (3.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (39%) and cobble (33%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (10%), boulder-bedrock (10%), sand (7%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 33 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (33%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 68). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (23%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (60%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (29%).

#### Stream Features

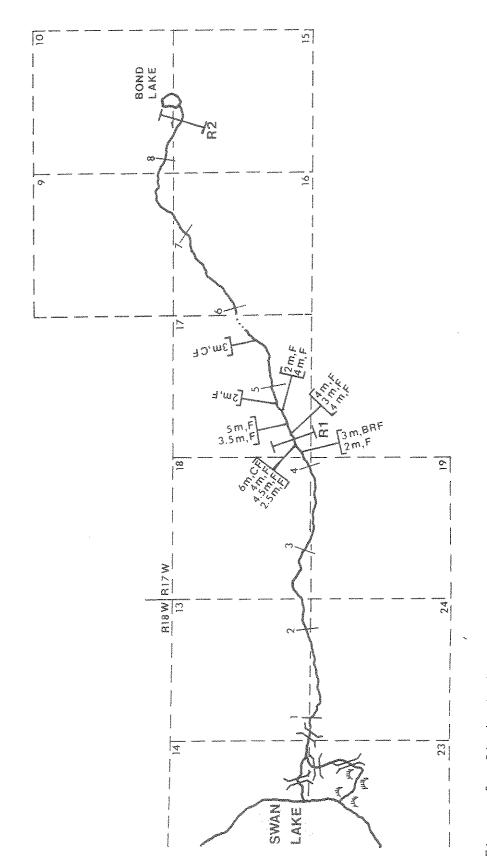
A few wasting banks were observed within the survey section. The creek splits into two channels at km 0.5. The north branch empties into Swan Lake while the south branch empties into a large marsh which lies at the southern end of Swan Lake.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 132 m section of this reach on 13 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for cutthroat trout (84/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (99/300 m). Moderate numbers of sculpins were also captured. Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for cutthroat trout (18/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (43/300 m). A 3.8 km section (km 3.8 to km 0) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983. A limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed. A fish trap was installed in the lower end of the reach to monitor potential spawning movements and rates of juvenile emigration of cutthroat trout from 22 April to 18 July 1983. Only one adult cutthroat trout and very few juveniles were captured, indicating very low use by migratory fish.

## Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 16 September 1982. Reach 2 of Bond Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (14.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (12.5%). The channel width was estimated to be 5 meters. Channel debris was low. The streambed material was composed of cobble and bedrock. The D-90 was estimated to be large. The stream cut through bedrock with numerous falls throughout the reach forming some extremely deep pools and complete barriers to upstream fish movement. The creek dries up for a length of 0.3 km in the vicinity of km 5.8.



Biophysical inventory map of Bond Creek, a tributary to Swan Lake. ģ Figure

BOND CREEK

#### BUCK CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Buck Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-2 km 0-2 km 1 km 0.7 km 0.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry	8/17/83 8/22/83 8/22/83 9/22/83
2	km 2-5 km 2-4 km 3.5 km 4 km 3.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	8/15/83 8/16/83 8/15/83 8/17/83-9/1/83
3	km 5-6 km 5-6 km 5.9 km 6 km 5 km 5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	8/10/83 8/11/83 8/10/83 9/22/83 8/10/83-8/17/83

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Buck Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively small drainage area (26.2 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.3%). The conductivity during the low water period was high (323 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 2.8 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.0 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 32% riffle, 62% run, and 3% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (46%) and small gravel (22%) with lesser amounts of silt (11%), sand (10%), cobble (10%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 16 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 75). There was a low amount of instream cover (18%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was low (29%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (22%).

#### Stream Features

Marshy areas were created by the numerous beaver dams located from km 1.5 to km 1.9.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 132 m section of this reach on 22 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (294/300 m) and low for both bull trout (6/300 m) and rainbow trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were high for brook trout (66/300 m) and low for bull trout (3/300 m). There were no "catchable-sized" rainbow trout in the section. Based on electrofishing estimates, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Buck Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively small drainage area (21.4 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.8%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (62°F or 16.7°C). The discharge during the habitat survey was 3.9 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 2.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.4 meters and was comprised of 7% pool, 15% riffle, 75% run, and 3% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (3.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (42%) and silt (20%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (19%), cobble (12%), boulderbedrock (4%), and sand (3%). D-90 was 16 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (43%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 71). There was a low amount of instream cover (14%) which was mostly comprised of aquatic vegetation and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (46%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (36%).

#### Stream Features

From km 3.6 to km 3.7 the stream flowed through a marshy area and a shallow pond 75 m wide. The channel braided throughout this section.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 99 m section of this reach on 16 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (183/300 m), and low for cutthroat (33/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) was high for brook trout (64/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout (7/300 m).

#### Reach 3

Reach 3 of Buck Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (6.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (235 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 3.0 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.9 meters and was comprised of 32% riffle, 40% run, and 28% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (14.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (47%) and cobble (29%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (12%), and boulder-bedrock (12%). D-90 was 30 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (40%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 66). There was a low amount of instream cover (18%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was high (82%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (33%).

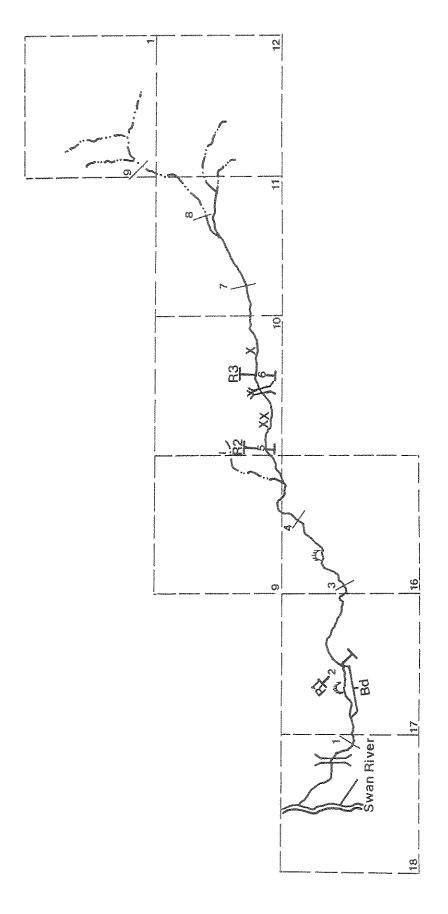
#### Stream Features

Log jams were numerous throughout the reach. Three of the log jams (located at km 5.4, km 5.5, and km 5.8) were barriers to upstream fish movement.

### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 123 m section of this reach on 11 August 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was low (33/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was also low (5/300 m).





Biophysical inventory map of Buck Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 7.

#### CAT CREEK

Iocations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Cat Creek, a tributary to Dog Creek.

<u>Reach</u>	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
1	km 0-2.5 km 2	Location of reach Water chemistry	9/27/83
2	km 2.5-4.5 km 3-4 km 3.5 km 3.5 km 2.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	8/25/83 8/29/83 8/29/83 8/22/83-9/7/83

#### Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 17 September 1982. Reach 1 of Cat Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (8.8%). The channel width was estimated to be 1-2 meters. The streambed was composed of cobble and large gravel. The D-90 was estimated to be moderate.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Cat Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (4.5 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (22.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate (59°F or 15.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (140 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 1.6 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.6 meters and was comprised of 20% riffle, 22% run, and 58% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (10.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (37%) and cobble (26%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (26%), silt (6%), small gravel (4%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 46 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (43%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 50). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (21%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (76%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (74%).

#### Stream Features

Numerous log jams were present throughout the reach. A major log jam was located at km 3.8. Cascade barriers were present at

km 3.7 and km 3.6. The flow was intermittent upstream of km 4.5.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A three-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 92 m section of this reach on 29 August 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was low (69/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was also low (28/300 m).

CAT CREEK

Biophysical inventory map of Cat Creek, a tributary of Dog Creek. ಯ Figure

#### CEDAR CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Cedar Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Iten	Date(s)
ege see	km 0-9.5	Location of reach	30/05/03
	km 3-5 km 4.7	Habitat survey section Electrofishing section	10/25/83 9/30/83
	VIII 4.1	(survey)	3/ 30/ 03
	km 9.0	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	9/11/84-9/19/84
	km 3.1	Discharge measurement	10/26/83
	km 0.3	Water chemistry	9/27/83
	km 4.5	Max/min thermometer	8/16/83-9/1/83
2	km 9.5-14.6	Location of reach	
	km 13-14	Habitat survey section	10/27/83
	km 13.2	Electrofishing section (survey)	9/2/82
	km 10.5	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	9/10/84-9/17/84
	km 13.4	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	9/12/84-9/18/84
	km 13.2	Discharge measurement	10/27/83
	km 13.2	Water chemistry	9/27/83
	km 13.2	Max/min thermometer	8/11/83-8/18/83
	km 12.5	Instream flow transects (WETP)	8/11/83-8/30/83
	km 13.1	Proposed hydro diversion	
	km 9.6	Proposed hydro powerhouse	

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Cedar Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (63.0 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.4%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate (59°F or 15.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (220 micromhos). The late summer flow was 14.9 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.1 meters and was comprised of 15% riffle, 80% run, and 5% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (9.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (45%) and small gravel (22%) with lesser amounts of cobble (15%), silt (10%), boulder-bedrock (5%), and sand (3%). D-90 was 25 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches

in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (83%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 62). There was a high amount of instream cover (45%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (69%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (46%).

#### Stream Features

Beaver dams were numerous throughout this reach. At km 2.2 the stream channel braided for 300-500 meters. A beaver dam meadow occurred at km 9.5.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 90 m section of this reach on 30 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (207/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout, bull trout, and rainbow trout (33, 3, and 9 fish/300 m, respectively). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for cutthroat, bull, brook, and rainbow trout (11, 3, 12, and 5 fish/300 m, respectively).

In addition, a 1,000 foot-long section of this reach was electrofished during the period 11 September through 19 September, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, densities of fish 75 mm and longer were extremely high for brook trout (442/300 m), and moderate for cutthroat trout (130/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm) and longer) were moderate for brook trout (40/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout (21/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and one redd was found. The stream was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 or 1984. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Cedar Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (28.8 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (9.0%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (64°F or 17.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (88 micromhos). The late summer flow was 4.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.3 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 3% riffle, 57% run, and 37% pocketwater-cascade. There was a

moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (34%) and boulder-bedrock (30%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (19%), silt (11%), small gravel (4%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 41 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 60). There was a high amount of instream cover (52%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (63%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (16%).

#### Stream Features

There were numerous falls, cascades, and bedrock chutes between km 9.5 and 12.5 that were complete barriers to upstream fish movement. Streamflow diminished in marshy areas in the vicinity of km 16.0.

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 118 m section of this reach on 2 September 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was high (267/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (56/300 m).

In addition, two 1000 foot-long sections of this reach were electrofished during September, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, the density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) at km 10.5 was high (236/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) at km 10.5 was moderate (40/300 m). The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) at km 13.4 was very high (302/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) at km 13.4 was high (97/300 m).

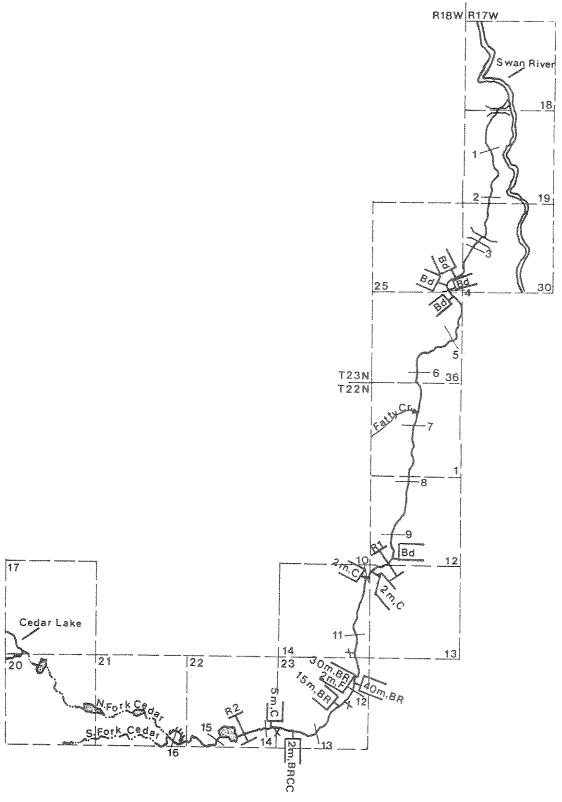


Figure 9. Biophysical inventory map of Cedar Creek, a tributary of the Swan River.

#### CILLY CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Cilly Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-2 km 1-2 km 1.3 km 2 km 0.9 km 1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	7/21/83 7/25/83 7/21/83 9/27/83 8/4/83-8/11/83
2	km 2-7	Location of reach	

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Cilly Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (20.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (64°F or 17.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (392 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 4.3 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.5 meters and was comprised of 8% riffle, and 92% run. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of small gravel (34%) and silt (26%) with lesser amounts of sand (20%), large gravel (17%), cobble (2%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 7 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (73%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 75). There was a high amount of instream cover (58%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (88%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (76%).

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 111 m section of this reach on 25 July 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer brook trout (the only species captured) was high (252/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout (150 mm and longer) was also high (75/300 m). A 2.2 km section (km 2.7 to 0.5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed.

## Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed, but was surveyed by helicopter on 17 September 1982. Reach 2 of Cilly Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (18.4 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.0%). The channel width was estimated to be 1-2 meters. A road culvert at km 7.5 was considered to be a possible barrier to upstream fish movement. The streambed material was composed mostly of gravel. A .7 km section (km 2.7 to 2.0) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found.

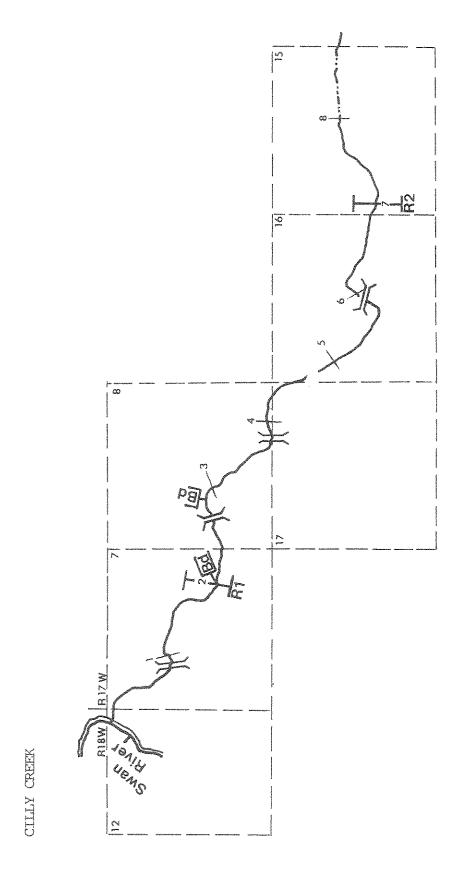


Figure 10. Biophysical inventory map of Cilly Creek, a tributary of the Swan River.

#### COLD CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Cold Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-8 km 4-6 km 6 km 6.5 km 0.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry	10/24/83 09/22/82 10/24/83 09/27/83
2	km 8-17 km 9.7-11.7 km 10.7	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section (survey)	11/09/83 09/09/82
	km 8.4	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	08/29/84 - 09/06/84
	km 10.8	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	08/23/84 - 08/28/84
	km 14.0	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	08/22/84 - 08/27/84
	km 8.1	Water chemistry	09/27/83
	km 10.7	Max/Min thermometer	08/04/83 - 08/10/83
	km 8	Fish trap	09/01/83 - 10/14/83
	km 10.8	Instream flow transects (WETP)	08/03/83 - 11/16/83
	km 8	Thermograph	04/08/83 - 10/30/84
	km 8	Water level recorder	11/23/82 - 10/30/84
	km 13.4 km 8.5	Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhouse	,,

#### Reach l

Reach 1 of Cold Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (85.9 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.6%). The conductivity during the low water period was moderate (189 micromhos). The late summer flow was 27.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 8.8 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 5% riffle, and 85% run. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (47%) and small gravel (26%) with lesser amounts of silt (16%), sand (7%), and cobble (4%). D-90 was 16 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other

stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 69). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (27%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was low (23%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (21%).

#### Stream Features

Beaver dams were located at km 4.2 and km 4.3.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 131 m section of this reach on 22 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both brook trout (57/300 m), and bull trout (9/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both brook trout (12/300 m), and bull trout (3/300 m). Moderate numbers of sculpins were also captured. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984 and 0, 1, and 2 redds were found respectively.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Cold Creek is a second order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (35.2 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.0%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (53°F or Îl.7°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (168 micromhos). The estimated late summer flow was 24.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.3 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 2% riffle, 30% run, and 58% pocketwatercascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (24 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (43%) and cobble (42%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (9%), sand (3%), silt (2%), and small gravel (1%). D-90 was 96 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (33%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 56). There was a high amount of instream cover (46%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (71%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (41%).

## Stream Features

This reach contained numerous small log jams and cascades which limited the ability of spawning migratory adult bull trout to negotiate this reach. Bull trout redds were not observed above km 13.7.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 115 m section of this reach on 9 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for bull trout (270/300 m), low for brook trout (6/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were high for bull trout (71/300 m), low for brook trout (3/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout (3/300 m).

In addition, three 1,000 foot-long sections of this reach (at kilometers 8.4, 10.8, and 14.0) were electrofished during August and September of 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, densities of fish 75 mm and longer at km 8.4 were high for brook trout (253/300 m), moderate for bull trout (93/300 m), and low for cutthroat trout (10/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm) and longer) were high for brook trout (65/300 m), and low for both bull trout (11/300 m), and cutthroat trout (6/300 m).

At km 10.8, the density of bull trout 75 mm and longer was high (170/300 m). Three cutthroat trout were captured at km 10.8, but an accurate population estimate could not be calculated. The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) was high (71/300 m).

At km 14.0, the density of bull trout (the only species captured) that were 75 mm and longer was low (49/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (35/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and one possible redd was found. A 6.5 km section (km 8.0 - km 14.5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and eight redds were found. A 6.5 km section (km 8.0 - km 14.5) of the reach was again surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and four redds were found. A fish trap was installed in the lower end of the reach to monitor potential spawning movements of bull trout during the period 1 September to 14 October 1983. A total of five adult bull trout (478 to 616 mm) were tagged and released. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production.

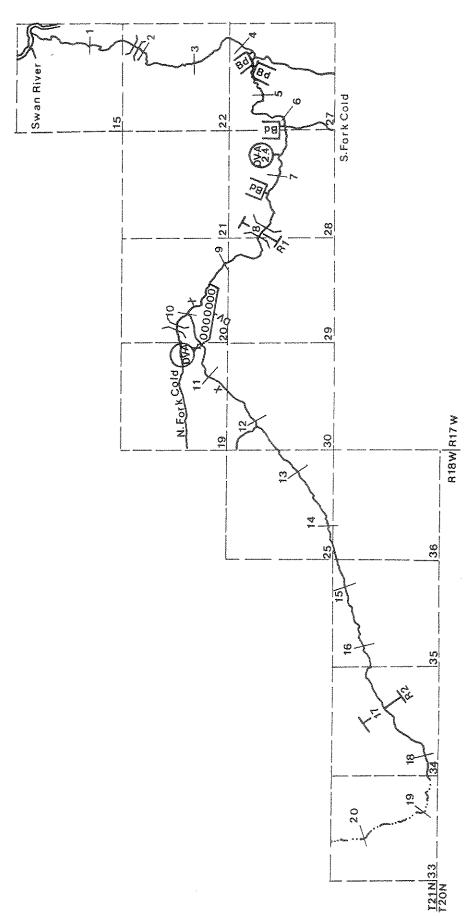


Figure 11. Biophysical inventory map of Cold Creek, a tributary of the Swan River.

#### CONDON CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Condon Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date (s)
-	km 0-6	Location of reach	
	km 2.5-4.5	Habitat survey section	9/20/83
	km 4.2	Electrofishing section	9/21/83
	km 4.5	Discharge measurement	9/20/83
	km 1.1	Water chemistry	9/27/83
	km 4.5	Max/min thermometer	8/11/83-8/18/83
2	km 6-9	Location of reach	
	km 6.5-8.5	Habitat survey section	7/27/83
	km 8.3	Electrofishing section	7/28/83
	km 8.5	Discharge measurement	7/27/83
	km 6.7	Water chemistry	9/27/83
3	km 9-13	Location of reach	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Condon Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (74.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.5%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (64°F or 17.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (222 micromhos). The late summer flow was 2.7 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.5 meters and was comprised of 42% pool, 3% riffle, and 55% run. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (78%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (11%), small gravel (7%), and sand (4%). D-90 was 4 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (15%) and channel stability was fair (rating = 81). There was a high amount of instream cover (71%) which was mostly comprised of aquatic vegetation and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (42%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (36%).

#### Stream Features

Beaver dams were numerous from km 3.0 to km 4.2. The stream flows through a marshy area from km 2.0 to 1.0.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 107 m section of this reach on 21 September 1983. Densities of

fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (399/300 m) and low for bull trout (3/300 m) and rainbow trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were very high for brook trout (120/300 m) and low for rainbow trout (1/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. The stream was not surveyed for bull trout redds.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Condon Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (8.3 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.1%). The conductivity during the low water period was low (146 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 7.0 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 2.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.7 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 15% riffle, 52% run, and 30% pocketwatercascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (11.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (47%) and small gravel (17%) with lesser amounts of cobble (14%), sand (9%), boulder-bedrock (7%), and silt (6%). D-90 was 30 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (58%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 68). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (29%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (80%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (43%).

#### Stream Features

A large log jam was located at km 8.0 and channel braiding occurred at km 7.0.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

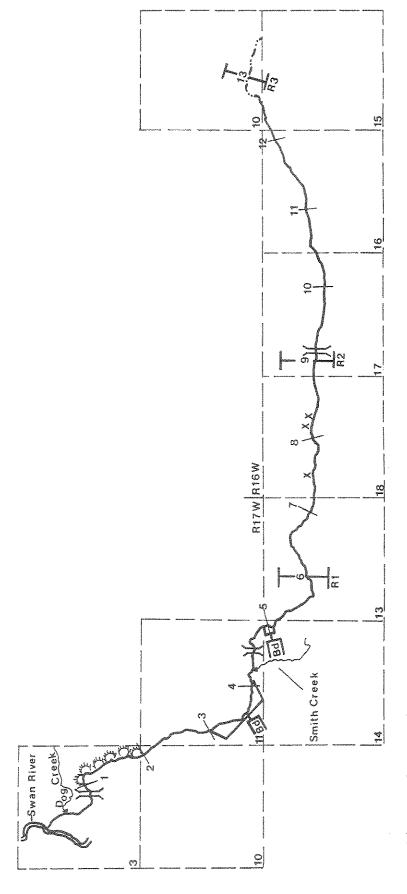
A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 97 m section of this reach on 28 July 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for cutthroat trout (75/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (144/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for both cutthroat trout (49/300 m), and brook trout (50/300 m).

## Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 18 September 1982. Reach 3 of Condon Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.1 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (21.3%). The channel width was estimated to be 3 meters. Channel debris was moderate. The streambed

material was composed of cobble and boulders. The D-90 was estimated to be large. The reach was characterized by cascades, some of which possibly form barriers to upstream fish movement.





Biophysical inventory map of Condon Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 12.

#### COONEY CREEK '

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Cooney Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-4.5 km 2.5-4.5 km 4 km 4.5 km 0.3 km 4	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	7/26/83 7/27/83 7/26/83 9/22/83 8/11/83-8/18/83
2	km 4.5-8 km 5-6 km 5.1 km 5.1 km 4.8 km 5.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	7/21/83 7/26/83 7/25/83 9/22/83 8/11/83-9/15/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Cooney Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (18.7 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (55°F or 12.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (249 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 17.3 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 5.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.4 meters and was comprised of 40% riffle, 20% run, and 40% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (4.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (42%) and large gravel (42%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (7%), boulder-bedrock (7%), sand (1%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 41 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 82). There was a low amount of instream cover (19%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (67%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (38%).

#### Stream Features

From km 1.0 to km 1.5 the stream channel was braided. A beaver dam and 0.5 km long pond were located at km 2.0.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 112 m section of this reach on 27 July 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for cutthroat trout (93/300 m), and

low for bull trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both cutthroat trout (25/300 m), and bull trout (3/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

## Reach 2

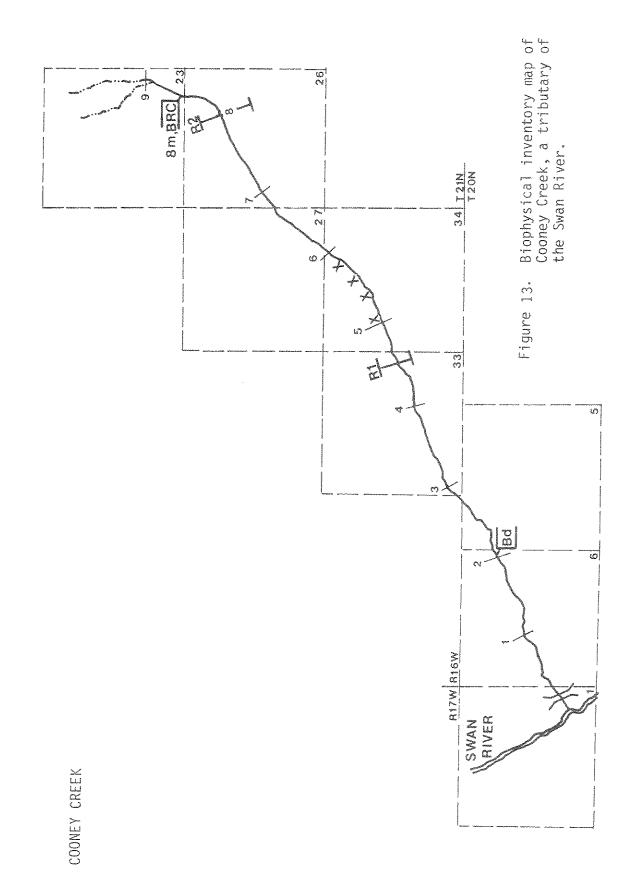
Reach 2 of Cooney Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.8 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (12.4%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate (57°F or 13.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (208 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 24.7 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 5.9 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.5 meters and was comprised of 8% riffle, 27% run, and 65% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (9.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (41%) and large gravel (31%) with lesser amounts of cobble (24%), small gravel (3%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 68 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (20%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 58). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (29%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (48%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (24%).

#### Stream Features

An 8 m bedrock cascade at km 8.5 forms a definite barrier to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 111 m section of this reach on 26 July 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was moderate (135/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was low (28/300 m).



## CRAZY HORSE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Crazy Horse Creek, a tributary to Glacier Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
remark.	km 0-1.5 km 0.5	Location of reach Water chemistry	9/22/83
2	km 1.5-6 km 3.7-1.7 km 2.2 km 0.1 km 3.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	8/24/83 10/5/83 8/24/83 8/24/83-10/5/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 1 of Crazy Horse Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (17.2 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (10.0%). The channel width was estimated to be 4 meters. Channel debris was moderate. The substrate consisted of boulder and cobble. D-90 was high. Numerous cascades throughout the reach form definite barriers to upstream fish movement.

#### Reach 2

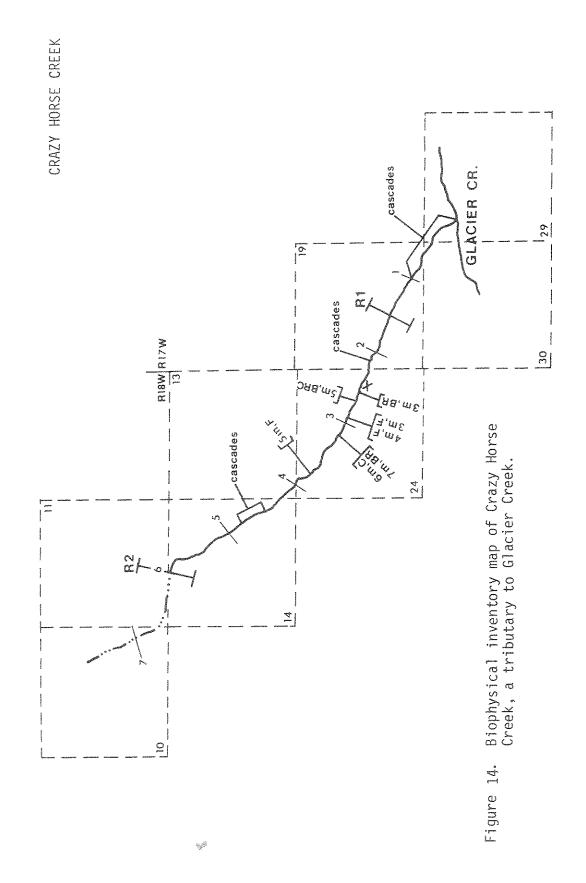
Reach 2 of Crazy Horse Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (16.4 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (90 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 8.2 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 5.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.3 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 8% riffle, 65% run, and 17% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (5.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (49%) and cobble (26%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (21%), and small gravel (4%). D-90 was 51 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (18%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 58). There was a low amount of instream cover (9%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was low (31%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (23%).

## Stream Features

Numerous bedrock falls, chutes and cascades form definite barriers to upstream fish movement in this reach. The stream becomes intermittent at km 6.0.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 110 m section of this reach was electrofished on 5 October 1983, however no fish were captured.



#### DOG CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Dog Creek, a tributary to Condon Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-5.5	Location of reach	
2	km 5.5-9.5 km 5.5-7.5 km 6.5 km 7 km 5.6 km 5.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/7/83 9/8/83 9/7/83 9/27/83 8/10/83-8/18/83

#### Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 17 September 1982. Reach 1 of Dog Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.0 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.7%). The channel width was estimated to be 4 meters. Channel debris was moderate and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was composed mostly of gravel.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A one-pass population estimate was obtained by other Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Park's personnel who electrofished a 183 m section of this reach (at km 2.6) on 10 August 1971. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for cutthroat trout (17/300 m) and bull trout (3/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (123/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982. No bull trout redds were found although a substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Dog Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.0 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (16.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (55°F or 12.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (135 micromhos). The late summer flow was 6.6 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.0 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 5% riffle, 27% run, and 63% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (13.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (39%) and boulder-bedrock (38%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (19%), small gravel (3%), sand (1%). D-90 was 102 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were Targe in comparison

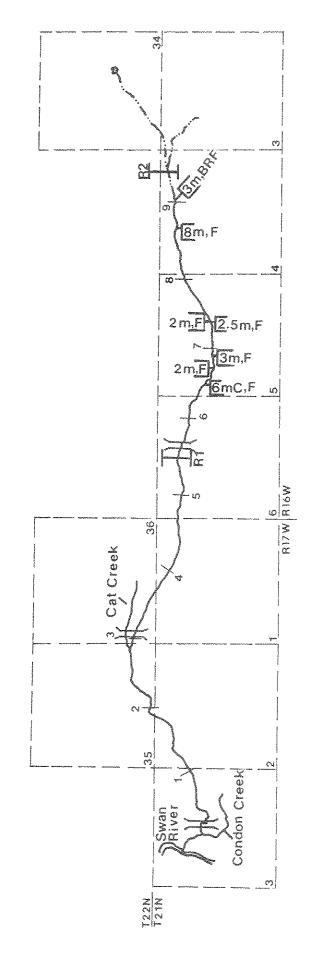
to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (30%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 62). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (22%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (79%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (40%).

## Stream Features

This reach contains numerous falls, chutes, and cascades which form barriers to upstream fish movement.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 101 m section of this reach on 8 September 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was moderate (84/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was high (78/300 m). A 1.5 km section (km 7.0-5.5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. The reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.



Biophysical inventory map of Dog Creek, a tributary of Condon Creek. Figure 15.

#### ELK CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Elk Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
ground	km 0-9 km 3-5	Location of reach Habitat survey section	10/06/83
	km 5	Electrofishing section	10/14/83 - 10/18/83
	km 5 km 0.6 km 5 km 6.6	Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP)	10/06/83 09/29/83 08/03/83 - 07/20/84 - 09/07/84
2	km 9-16.2	Location of reach	

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Elk Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (71.9 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (167 micromhos). The late summer flow was 31.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 11.7 meters and was comprised of 8% pool, 17% riffle, 55% run, and 20% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (30%) and cobble (29%) with lesser amounts of boulderbedrock (15%), sand (13%), small gravel (8%), and silt (5%). D-90 was 41 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (23%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 62). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (26%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was low (24%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (15%).

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 305 m section of this reach on 14 October and 18 October 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for

bull trout (255/300 m) and low both brook trout (21/300 m) and rainbow trout (12/300 m). Small numbers of mountain whitefish and sculpins were also captured. Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for bull trout (36/300 m) and low for both brook trout (7/300 m) and rainbow trout (7/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. A 2.3 km section (km 6.7-9) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and 1984 and 2 redds were found each year. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

#### Reach\_2

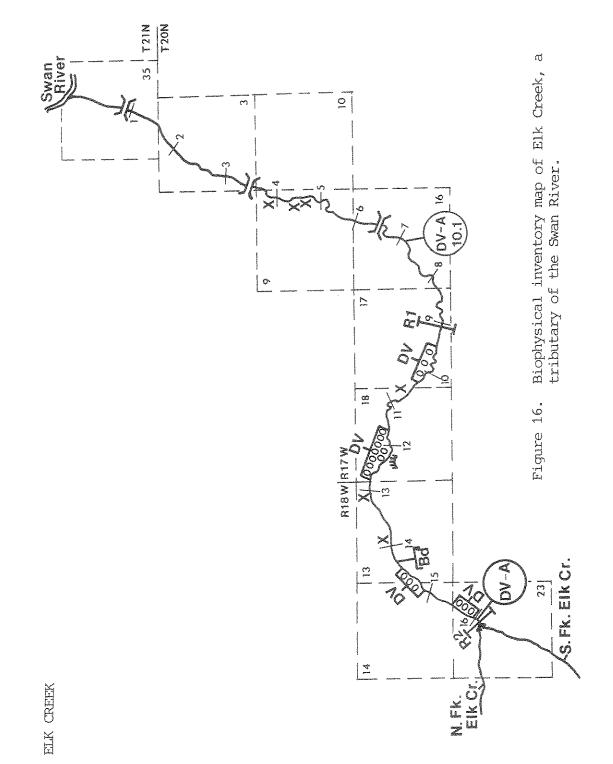
A habitat survey of this reach was not completed, however, the reach was flown by helicopter on 18 September 1982, and walked for bull trout redds in three consecutive years, 1982-1984. Reach 2 of Elk Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (58.7 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.8%). The channel width was estimated to be 12 meters and channel debris was low. The substrate consisted of large and small gravel and the D-90 was relatively small.

#### Stream Features

An extremely large log jam located at km 13.0 was a complete barrier to upstream movement of migratory adult spawning bull trout in 1982. The jam was modified by U.S. Forest Service personnel during the summer of 1983 to insure long-term accessibility of upstream spawning habitat. Numerous redds were observed above the log jam in the fall of 1983 whereas none were found in this section in 1982. Although not barriers, the stream passes over a 1.8 m falls and a bedrock chute at km 13.0, and a 20 m long bedrock chute at km 13.6. High gradient subsections in the vicinity of km 10.5 to 10.7 and around km 8.5 should be periodically inspected for fish passage improvement. Also, a large log jam was present at km 7.0.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984 and 56, 89, and 91 redds were found, respectively. The most concentrated bull trout spawning use in the entire Swan River drainage occurred in this reach of Elk Creek and it is considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.



#### GLACIER CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Glacier Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-11 km 8-10 km 9.8 km 10.7 km 0.4 km 9.9	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	10/25/83 9/28/82 10/25/83 9/22/83 8/3/83-8/10/83
2	km 11-15.3	Location of reach	
3	km 15.3-22.5	Location of reach	
4	km 22.5-24 km 22.5-23.5 km 22.5 km 22.5 km 22.7 km 23	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min themometer	9/14/83 9/15/83 9/15/83 9/22/83 8/10/83-8/24/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Glacier Creek is a fifth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (155.0 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (70°F or 21.1°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (76 The late summer flow was 30 cfs. The stream had an micromhos). average wetted width of 10.2 meters and was comprised of 32% riffle, 65% run, and 3% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (2.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (46%) and large gravel (38%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (9%), small gravel (6%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 33 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (15%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 70). There was a low amount of instream cover (4%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was low (15%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (9%).

## Stream Features

Numerous wasting banks were observed throughout the survey section. The stream is quite braided from km 2 to 1.0. From km 1.5 to 2.5 the channel splits into two channels. The stream flow diminished from km 6 to 4.5 during the summer, apparently due to subsurface flow.

# Fish Population and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 120 m section of this reach on 28 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for brook trout (84/300 m), and low for rainbow trout (18/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both brook trout (8/300 m) and rainbow trout (3/300 m). Small numbers of sculpins, suckers, and mountain whitefish were also captured. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in both 1982 and 1983, but no redds were found.

# Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 2 of Glacier Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (67.7 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.1%). The channel width was estimated to be 8 meters. Channel debris was low and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was composed mostly of cobble and boulders, and the D-90 was estimated to be moderate. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in both 1982 and 1983, but no redds were found. A very limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed.

# Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1983. Reach 3 of Glacier Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (64.7 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.5%). The channel width was estimated to be 8-12 meters. No fish barriers were observed in this reach. The streambed material was composed mostly of gravel.

## Stream Features

A marshy area known as Glacier Sloughs extends from km 17-15.3. This area has a very low gradient and the channel becomes very wide  $(30-50\ \text{m})$  and flows very slowly. The streambed consists primarily of sand and silt, and aquatic vegetation and beaver activity are common throughout this section.

Glacier Creek braids very heavily in the one kilometer long section (km 17-18) immediately upstream from Glacier Sloughs. Another swampy area is located between km 19.5 and 19.8. A 4 m falls at km 20.4 was probably a barrier to all upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A one-pass population estimate was obtained by other Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Park's personnel who electrofished a 183 m section of this reach (at km 22.5) on 22 August 1972. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for cutthroat, bull,

and brook trout (16, 23 and 8 fish/300 m, respectively). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. A 3.8 km section (km 20.6-16.8) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and one redd was found.

## Reach 4

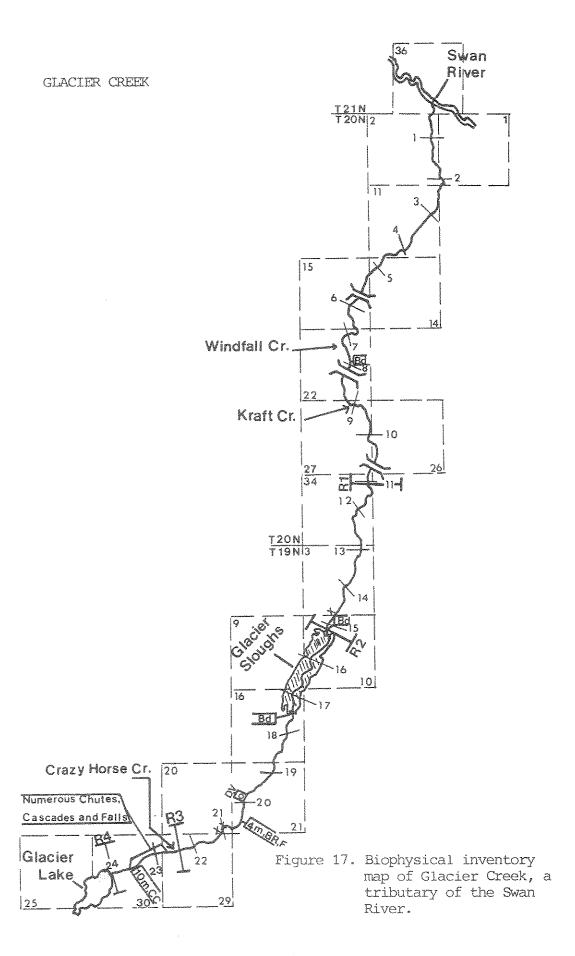
Reach 4 of Glacier Creek is a third order stream having a mediumsized drainage area (51.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (67°F or 19.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (58 micromhos). The late summer flow was 26 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 10.1 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 3% riffle, 30% run, and 57% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (10.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (39%) and boulder-bedrock (38%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (20%). and small gravel (3%). D-90 was 104 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 45). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (33%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (41%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (31%).

#### Stream Features

Numerous cascades, falls, and bedrock chutes throughout the reach form definite barriers to upstream fish movement.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 127 m section of this reach on 15 September 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for brook trout (129/300 m), and low for both cutthroat trout (39/300 m) and bull trout (39/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for brook trout (53/300 m), and low for both cutthroat (20/300 m) and bull trout (28/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production.



# GOAT CREEK

# Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Goat Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
Proof.	km 0-1.3 km 0.2-1.2 km 1.2 km 0.5 km 0.5 km 0.5 km 0.4 km 0.4	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Fish trap Fish trap	10/04/83 11/14/83 10/05/83 09/29/83 10/04/82 09/01/83 - 10/27/83 09/05/84 - 10/18/84
2	km 1.3-5 km 2.5-4.5 km 3.2 km 3.2 km 3.3 km 3.2 km 4.4-4.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Streambed monitoring site	10/04/83 09/30/82 10/04/83 09/29/83 08/04/83 - 08/10/83 11/01/84
3	km 5-10.4 km 7.4-9.4 km 8.9 km 9.2 km 9 km 8.9 km 9	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhous	
4	km 10.4-11.6 km 10.5-11.5 km 10.8 km 11.5 km 10.8	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	08/01/83 08/02/83 08/01/83 08/04/83 - 08/10/83
5	km 11.6-15.6 km 12.4-13.4 km 12.1 km 11.7		09/28/82 - 09/29/82 09/29/82 09/28/82

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Goat Creek is a third order stream having a relatively large drainage area (86.4 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.9%). The conductivity during the low water period was high (272 micromhos) and the late summer flow was 15.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.8 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 7% riffle, 83% run, and 7% pocketwatercascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (45%) and cobble (30%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (10%), sand (7%), silt (6%), and boulder-bedrock (2%). D-90 was 28 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (43%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 80). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (23%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (45%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (34%).

#### Stream Features

A large log jam was located at km 0.4.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 305 m section of this reach on 14 November and 18 November 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for all three species; bull trout (57/300 m), brook trout (45/300 m), and rainbow trout (9/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were also low for all three species; bull trout (7/300 m), brook trout (20/300 m), and rainbow trout (6/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984 and 1, 3, and 0 redds were found, respectively. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed. A fish trap was installed in the lower end of the reach to monitor potential spawning movements of bull trout from 9 September to 27 October 1983. A total of 158 adult bull trout (400 to 808 mm) were tagged and released. The trap was installed again in 1984 in the same location and 154 adult bull trout (400 to 823 mm) were tagged and released, indicating heavy use of the Goat/Squeezer Creek drainages for migratory bull trout spawning and rearing. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Goat Creek is a third order stream having a mediumsized drainage area (50.8 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.20°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (291 micromhos). The late summer flow was 9.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.2 meters and was comprised of 8% pool, 27% riffle, and 65% run. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (44%) and cobble (20%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (15%), silt (13%), sand (7%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 21 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (68%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 81). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (30%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (45%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (34%).

#### Stream Features

A large beaver dam was located at km 4.3.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 30 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for cutthroat, bull, and brook trout (12, 48, and 33 fish/300 m, respectively). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were also low for cutthroat, bull, and brook trout (5, 5, and 10 fish/300 m, respectively).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984 and 14, 17, and 11 redds were found, respectively. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

# Reach 3

Reach 3 of Goat Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (38.6 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (59°F or 15.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (273 micromhos). The late summer flow was 6.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.1 meters and was comprised of 8% pool, 15% riffle, 32% run, and 46% pocketwater—cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (17 per

kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (35%) and large gravel (31%) with lesser amounts of cobble (27%), small gravel (4%), and silt (3%). D-90 was 85 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (43%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 68). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (26%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (78%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (26%).

#### Stream Features

A 3 m falls at km 8.5 forms a barrier to upstream fish movement. A large log jam is located at km 7.8.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 132 m section of this reach on 9 August 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer bull trout (the only species captured) was low (48/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (38/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and 1983, where 18 and 19 redds were found respectively. A 4.3 km section (km 9.3-5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 20 redds were found. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

## Reach 4

Reach 4 of Goat Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (21.2 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C). The discharge during the habitat survey was 14.2 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 5.2 cfs. stream had an average wetted width of 4.5 meters and was comprised of 2% pool, 35% riffle, and 63% run. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (16.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (48%) and small gravel (29%) with lesser amounts of cobble (14%), sand (8%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 13 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 57). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (21%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (62%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (34%).

## Stream Features

The creek goes dry from km 10.9 to km 10.4 during late summer.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 131 m section of this reach was electrofished on 2 August 1983, however only two juvenile bull trout were captured, indicating a very sparse fish population. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. A 1.2 km section (km 11.6 to 10.4) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 but no redds were found.

## Reach 5

Reach 5 of Goat Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (6.6 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (13.7%). The late summer flow was 2.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.2 meters and was comprised of 21% pool, 24% riffle, 18% run, and 37% pocketwater-cascade. The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (37%) and boulder-bedrock (32%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (19%), small gravel (8%), and sand (4%). D-90 was 33 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 55). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and logs. Total overhead cover was low (33%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (33%).

#### Stream Features

Falls and cascades which formed barriers to fish movement included a 2 m cascade, 4 m cascade and 3 m falls at km 12.7, and a 12 m falls at km 13.1. A debris jam was located at km 12.4.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 93 m section of this reach was electrofished on 29 September 1982 but no fish were captured.

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Biophysical inventory map of Goat Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 18.

GOAT CREEK

#### GROOM CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Groom Creek, a tributary to Swan Lake.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3 km 1.5-2.5 km 2.2 km 2.5 km 1.5 km 2.2 km 0.2 km 2.8	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Fish trap Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro powerhouse	7/20/83 8/18/82 7/20/83 9/29/83 8/4/83-8/11/83 4/27/83-7/18/83 6/24/83-10/17/83
2	km 3-6 km 4.1-5.1 km 4.2 km 4.1 km 3.8	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Proposed hydro diversion	9/22/83 9/23/83 9/22/83

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Groom Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (7.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (250 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 12.5 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 0.6 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.8 meters and was comprised of 2% pool, 42% riffle, 23% run, and 33% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (38%) and large gravel (34%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (24%), small gravel (3%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 54 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (40%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 67). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (31%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (85%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (37%).

#### Stream Features

Numerous small debris jams were present throughout the reach. The stream goes dry from km 0.2 to the mouth during late summer.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 18 August 1982. The density of cutthroat trout 75 mm and longer was high (192/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (39/300 m). A 2.0 km section (km 2.0 to 0.0) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found and a limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

A fish trap was installed in the lower end of the reach to monitor potential spawning movements and rates of juvenile emigration of cutthroat trout during the period 27 April to 18 July 1983. No adult cutthroat trout and no juveniles were captured, indicating very low use by migratory fish.

# Reach 2

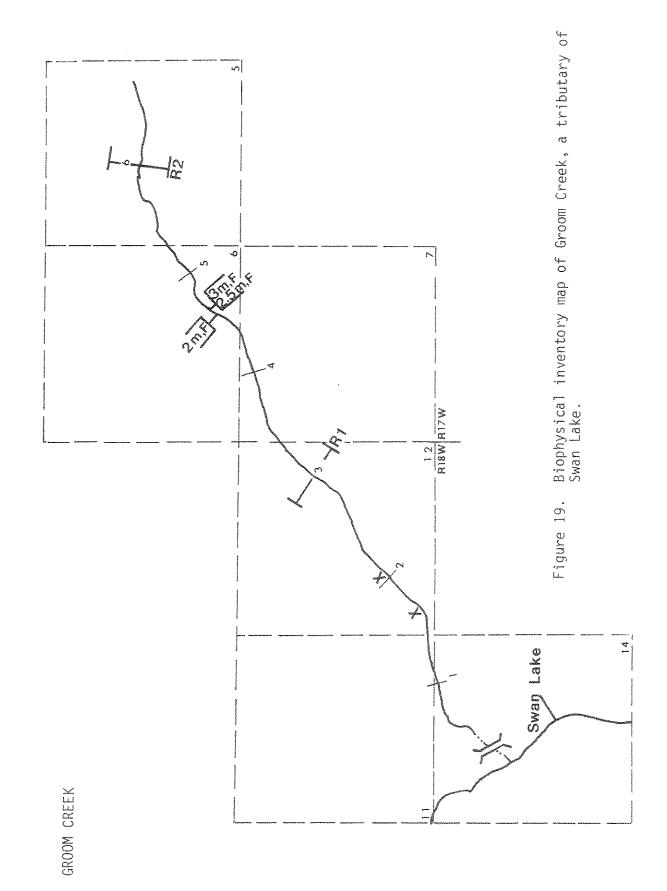
Reach 2 of Groom Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (5.4 square kilometers), a high channel gradient (17.3%) and a late summer flow of 2.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.9 meters and was comprised of 12% riffle, 33% run, and 55% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (3.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (34%) and large gravel (30%) with lesser amounts of cobble (22%) and small gravel (14%). D-90 was 43 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were about average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 57). There was a high amount of instream cover (42%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and turbulence. Total overhead cover was moderate (62%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (28%).

## Stream Features

Several cascades and falls throughout the reach formed definite barriers to upstream fish movement.

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 98 m section of this reach on 23 September 1983. The density of cutthroat trout 75 mm and longer was low (42/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm) and longer was also low (23/300 m).



#### HALL CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Hall Creek, a tributary to Swan Lake.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
group de la constant	km 0-2 km 0.5-1.5 km 1 km 1 km 0.2 km 1 km 2	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer Fish trap Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro powerhouse	9/28/83 9/30/83-10/5/83 9/28/83 8/19/82-10/21/82 4/27/83-7/18/83 6/23/83-10/19/83
2	km 1.8 km 2-6 km 2.8-3.8 km 2.3 km 3.7 km 2.3 km 2.3 km 3.4	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Proposed hydro diversion	10/19/83 9/19/82 10/19/83 9/21/83 8/4/83-8/11/83

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Hall Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (12.8 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.0%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (57°F or 13.9°C). The late summer flow was 2.8 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.5 meters and was comprised of 2% pool, 15% riffle, 45% run, and 38% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (5.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (44%) and cobble (41%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (8%), boulder-bedrock (3%), silt (3%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 26 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (35%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 57). There was a low amount of instream cover (18%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (92%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (33%).

#### Stream Features

The stream goes dry from km 0.2 to the mouth during late summer.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 185 m section of this reach on 30 September and 5 October 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for cutthroat trout (153/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (147/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both cutthroat trout (11/300 m) and brook trout (4/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found and a limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed.

A fish trap was installed in the middle portion of the reach to monitor potential spawning movement and rates of juvenile emigration for cutthroat trout from 27 April to 18 July 1983. Three adult cutthroat trout and very few juveniles were captured, indicating a low amount of use by migratory fish.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Hall Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (14.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (110 micromhos). The late summer flow was 2.9 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.3 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 27% run, and 70% pocketwatercascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (7.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (38%) and large gravel (30%) with lesser amounts of cobble (21%), small gravel (6%), silt (4%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 80 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 66). There was a high amount of instream cover (42%) which was mostly comprised of logs and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (70%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (33%).

## Stream Features

A 0.4 km long cascade section (km 2.8 to 2.4) was a complete barrier to upstream fish movement.

## Fish Movement and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 126 m section of this reach on 19 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for cutthroat trout (138/300 m) and low for brook trout (24/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for cutthroat trout (58/300 m) and low for brook trout (14/300 m).

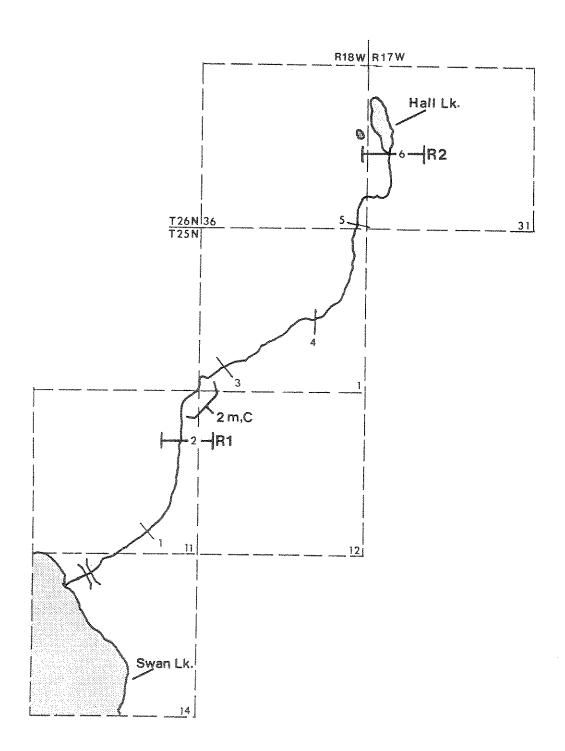


Figure 20. Biophysical inventory map of Hall Creek, a tributary of Swan Lake.

#### HOLLAND CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in lower Holland Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-4.5	Location of reach	
2	km 4.5-6.5 km 4.7-5.7 km 4.9 km 4.5 km 4.9 km 5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/6/83 9/12/83 9/5/83 9/22/83 8/11/83-9/1/83

#### Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 1 of lower Holland Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (58.3 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.5%). The channel width was estimated to be 4-6 meters. Channel debris was low and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was comprised mostly of gravel and the D-90 was very small. Several marsh sections occurred throughout the reach in which some channel braiding was observed. A one-pass population estimate was obtained by other Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Park's personnel who electrofished a 183 m section of this reach (at km 0.5) on 12 August 1971. The density of 75 mm and longer brook trout (the only species captured) was low (13/300 m).

## Reach 2

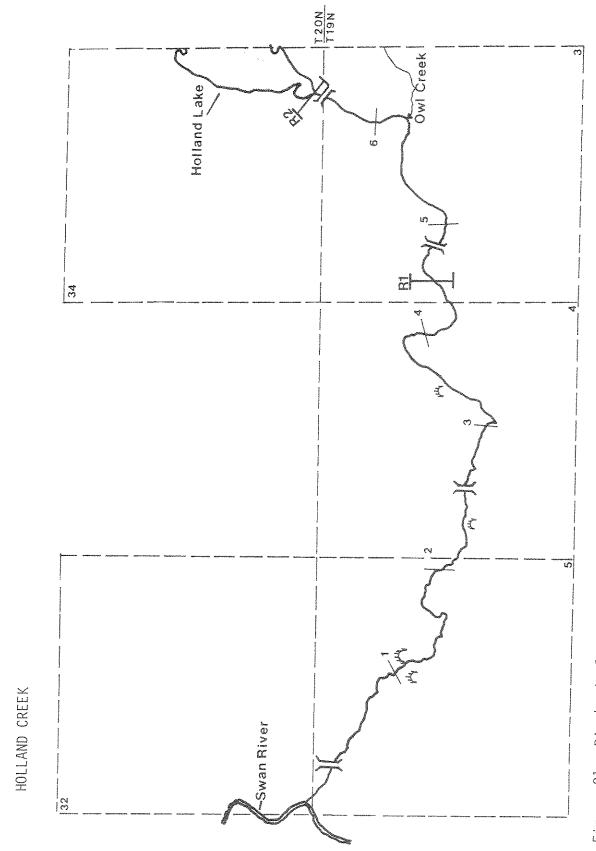
Reach 2 of lower Holland Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (44.3 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (77°F or 25.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (150 The late summer flow was 1.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 9.1 meters and was comprised of 20% riffle, and 80% run. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools in the survey section. The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (37%) and small gravel (36%) with lesser amounts of silt (9%), sand (9%), and cobble (9%). D-90 was 27 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (53%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 65). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (31%) which was mostly comprised of aquatic vegetation and Total overhead cover was low (27%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (24%).

### Stream Features

A moderate number of small debris jams were present throughout the reach.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 112 m section of this reach on 12 September 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both brook trout (9/300 m), and rainbow trout (51/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both brook trout (3/300 m) and rainbow trout (24/300 m). Large numbers of mountain whitefish, redside shiners, sculpins, northern squawfish, and largescale suckers were also captured.



Biophysical inventory map of Lower Holland Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 21.

JIM CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Jim Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-2	Location of reach	0.0 (0.0 (0.0
	km 0.5-1.5	Habitat survey section	08/01/83
	km 1.5	Electrofishing section	08/02/83; 08/09/83; 08/24/83
	km 1.9	Discharge measurement	08/02/83
	km 1.5	Max/min thermometer	08/04/83 - 08/10/83
2	km 2-5.5	Location of reach	
	km 3-5	Habitat survey section	08/03/83
	km 3.7	Electrofishing section	08/23/83
	km 3.5	Discharge measurement	08/04/83
	km 3.5	Water chemistry	09/27/83
	km 3.3	Max/min thermometer	08/04/83 - 08/11/83
3	km 5.5-9.5	Location of reach	

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Jim Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (53.2 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (56°F or 13.3°C). The discharge during the habitat survey was 53.1 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 19.6 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 14.0 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 20% riffle, and 75% run. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (40%) and large gravel (33%) with lesser amounts of sand (14%), small gravel (12%), and cobble (1%). D-90 was 10 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (58%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 88). There was a high amount of instream cover (56%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. overhead cover was moderate (41%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (27%).

#### Stream Features

This reach is heavily braided from km 2 to the mouth, partially as a result of extensive beaver activity.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 308 m section of this reach on 2, 9, and 24 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (243/300 m) and low for bull trout (39/300 m). Densities of "Catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were high for brook trout (80/300 m) and low for bull trout (10/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates and upstream redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production. A 0.6 km section (km 2-1.4) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and no redds were found.

# Reach 2

Reach 2 of Jim Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (41.0 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (53°F or 11.7°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (189 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 49.9 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 18 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.7 meters and was comprised of 8% pool, 25% riffle, 62% run, and 5% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (37%) and small gravel (21%) with lesser amounts of cobble (19%), silt (14%), sand (4%), and boulder-bedrock (3%). D-90 was 29 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 69). There was a high amount of instream cover (43%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (52%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (32%).

### Stream Features

Beaver activity was observed from km 4.5 to km 5.5.

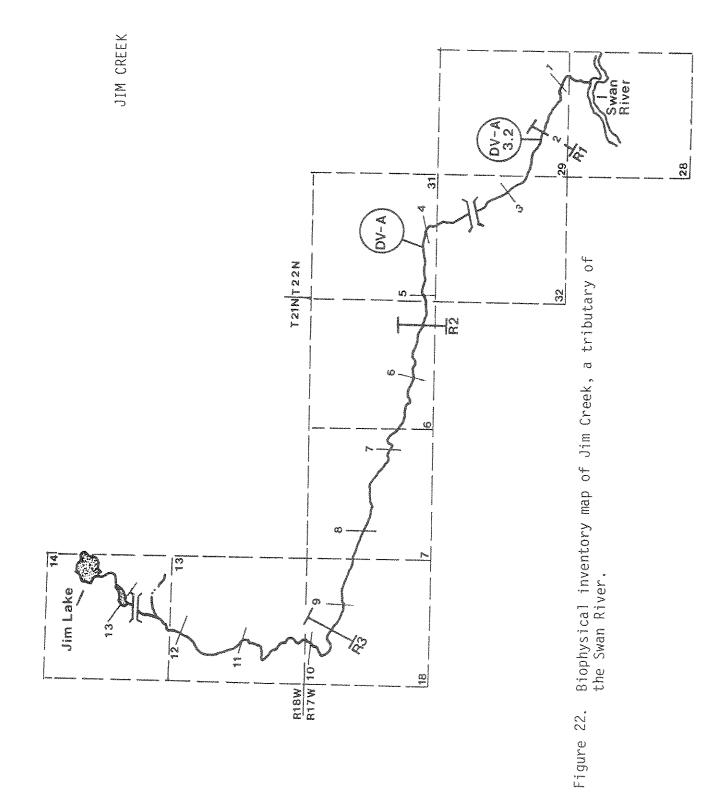
# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 92 m section of this reach on 23 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both bull trout (9/300 m) and brook trout (30/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both bull trout (12/300 m) and brook trout (11/300 m).

A 2.7 km section (km 4.7-2.0) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and 7 redds were found. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 6 redds were found. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production.

# Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 18 September 1982. Reach 3 of Jim Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (37.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.8%). The channel width was estimated to be 2-5 meters. Channel debris was moderate. The substrate consisted of boulders and large gravel. D-90 was moderate. The stream was dry at km 9.5. A 1.5 km section (km7-5.5) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 but no redds were found.



### KRAFT CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Kraft Creek, a tributary to Glacier Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3	Location of reach	
2	km 3-7 km 4-6 km 5.2 km 3.2 km 3.2 km 5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	8/2/83 8/3/83 8/2/83 9/22/83 8/3/83-8/11/83

# Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 19 September 1982. Reach 1 of Kraft Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (42.4 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.4%). The wetted width was estimated to be 2-4 meters. Channel debris was low and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was comprised of gravel and the D-90 was low.

# Reach 2

Reach 2 of Kraft Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively small drainage area (25.8 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.5%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (60°F or 15.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (103 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 6.5 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 2.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.0 meters and was comprised of 10% riffle, 38% run, and 52% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (8.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (36%) and large gravel (32%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (22%), small gravel (6%), sand (2%), and silt (2%). D-90 was 78 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (43%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 69). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (33%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (79%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (57%).

# Stream Features

Numerous small log jams were present throughout the survey section. Much of the drainage was heavily logged, especially the upper end.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 107 m section of this reach on 3 August 1983. Densities of trout 75 mm and longer were high for cutthroat trout (156/300 m) and low for brook trout (6/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm) and longer) were moderate for cutthroat trout (54/300 m), and low for brook trout (3/300 m).

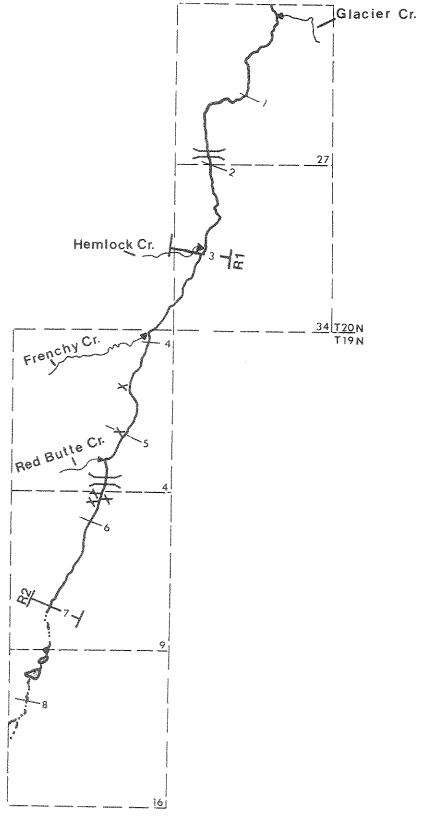


Figure 23. Biophysical inventory map of Kraft Creek, a tributary of Glacier Creek.

#### LION CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Lion Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Iten	Date(s)
1	km 0-10 km 6.7-8.7 km 7.5 km 8.7 km 0.5 km 7.5 km 5.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Streambed monitoring site	10/06/83 09/20/82 10/06/83 09/21/83 08/11/83-08/17/83 10/31/84
2	km 10-19.5 km 10.5-12.5 km 10.5;11.7 km 10.3 km 10 km 10.5 km 10.6 - 10.9 km 10.5 km 10.5 km 10.5 km 10.5 km 10.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP) Thermograph Water level recorder Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhouse	10/17/83 09/21/83 08/11/83 - 08/31/83 06/22/83 - 10/18/83 04/11/83 - 10/30/84 11/17/82 - 10/30/84
3	km 19.5-22	Location of reach	

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Lion Creek is a third order stream having a relatively large drainage area (81.6 square kilometers) and a small average channel gradient (0.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (210 micromhos). The late summer flow was 14.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 10.7 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 10% riffle, 52% run, and 35% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (2.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (37%) and cobble (32%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (13%), small gravel (8%), silt (8%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 63 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 83). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (28%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total

overhead cover was moderate (51%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (29%).

### Stream Features

A man-made wooden dam is present at km 3.0. This dam could be a barrier to spawning adult migratory bull trout but a side channel is present providing fish passage.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 149 m section of this reach on 20 September 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both cutthroat trout (2/300 m) and brook trout (39/300 m), and moderate for bull trout (99/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both bull trout (12/300 m) and brook trout (12/300 m). There were no "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout and moderate numbers of sculpins were captured.

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984 and 60, 38, and 77 redds were found, respectively. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, this reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

#### Reach 2

Reach 2 of Lion Creek is a third order stream having a mediumsized drainage area (56.2 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (52 $^{\rm O}{\rm F}$  or 11.10C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (194 micromhos). The late summer flow was 18 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.3 meters and was comprised of 15% pool, 12% riffle, 40% run, and 33% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (12.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (36%) and cobble (31%) with lesser amounts of boulderbedrock (21%), small gravel (10%), sand (1%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 61 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 56). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (39%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (87%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (15%).

### Stream Features

An 8.0~m falls located in a bedrock canyon at km 11.1~was a complete barrier to upstream fish movement. Cascades and falls, up to 6.0~m high, were present from km 10.4--10.9, km 12.3--12.6, and km 16.2--17.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A three-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 133 m section of this reach on 15 September 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer bull trout (the only species captured) was moderate (108/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) was high (71/300 m).

A 1.0 km section (km 11-10) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and 3 redds were found. A 0.5 km section (km 10.5-10) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and 1984 and 4, and 11 redds were found, respectively. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the lower portion of this reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

# Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 12 July 1982. Reach 3 of Lion Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (13.7 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.4%). The channel width was estimated to be 6-8 meters. Channel debris was moderate and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was comprised mostly of cobble and gravel. D-90 was estimated to be small. Some channel braiding was observed.

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Biophysical inventory map of Lion Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 24.

#### LOST CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Lost Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Iten	Date(s)
1	km 0-2.3 km 1-2 km 1.8 km 1.7 km 1.8 km 1.6 km 1.7	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Fish trap	08/23/83 11/10/83 - 11/16/83 08/23/83 09/29/83 08/04/83 - 08/11/83 05/07/83 - 05/26/83

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Lost Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (82.0 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (59°F or 15.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (277 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 18.7 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 12.6 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 8.8 meters and was comprised of 25% riffle, 65% run, and 10% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (3.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (43%) and cobble (36%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (9%), silt (6%), sand (3%), and boulder-bedrock (3%). D-90 was 30 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (25%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 79). There was a low amount of instream cover (19%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was low (28%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (20%).

#### Stream Features

The stream was intermittent in late summer from the mouth to  $km\ 0.5.$ 

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 305 m section of this reach on 10 and 16 November 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for brook trout (111/300 m) and low for bull trout (48/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both brook

trout (8/300 m) and bull trout (6/300 m). Large numbers of sculpins were also captured. Based on electrofishing and redd surveys, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984, but no redds were found. A limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed. A fish trap was installed in the middle portion of the reach to monitor potential spawning movements and rates of juvenile emigration of cutthroat trout during May 1983. However, high streamflows during this period prevented effective trap operation.

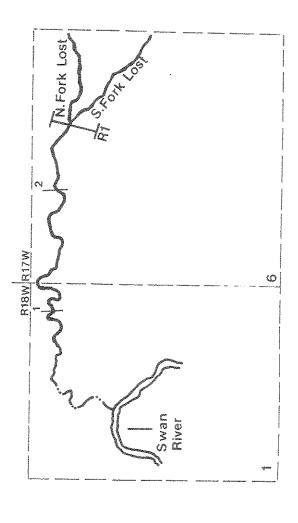


Figure 25. Biophysical inventory map of Lost Creek, a tributary of the Swan River.

#### NORTH FORK ELK CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the North Fork of Elk Creek, a tributary to Elk Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-1.5 km 0-1 km 0.4 km 0.2 km 0.1 km 0.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/13/83 9/22/83 9/22/83 9/29/83 8/18/83-9/13/83
2	km 1.5-4.5 km 2.5-3.5 km 2.5 km 3.5 km 1.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	9/20/83 9/27/83 9/20/83 8/18/83-9/13/83

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of North Fork Elk Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (18.2 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (9.8%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (152 micromhos). The late summer flow was 14.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.8 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 18% run, and 77% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (19.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (63%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (18%), cobble (17%), small gravel (1%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 103 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (23%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 44). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (31%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and logs. Total overhead cover was low (29%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (29%).

## Stream Features

The stream flows over bedrock through portions of the reach, particularly km 0.3 to km 0.6. Numerous falls, chutes and cascades in this section form barriers to upstream movement of migratory adult bull trout. A 2 m high log jam was located at km 0.9.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A three-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 99 m section of this reach on 22 September 1983. Densities of

fish 75 mm and longer were low for both cutthroat trout (9/300 m) and bull trout (30/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both cutthroat trout (9/300 m) and bull trout (30/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates, redd counts on Elk Creek, and the presence of significant fish barriers, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. As a result, it was not surveyed for bull trout redds.

## Reach 2

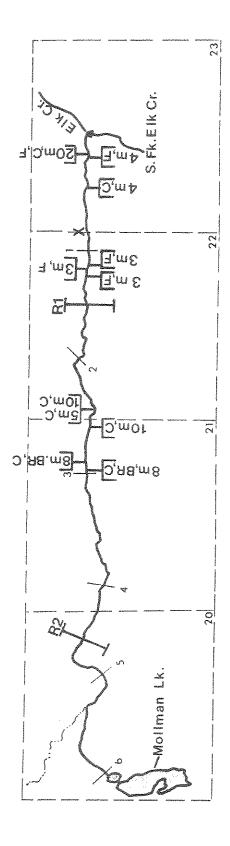
Reach 2 of North Fork Elk Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (15.6 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C). The late summer flow was 7.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 8.2 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 10% riffle, 20% run, and 60% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (24.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (49%) and large gravel (26%) with lesser amounts of cobble (20%), small gravel (3%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 107 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (25%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 58). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (34%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and logs. Total overhead cover was low (36%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (29%).

# Stream Features

This reach contains numerous bedrock chutes, falls, and cascades, many of which form barriers to upstream fish movement.

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 92 m section of this reach was electrofished on 27 September 1983, however only four cutthroat trout were captured indicating a very sparse fish population.



Biophysical inventory map of North Fork of Elk Creek, a tributary of Elk Creek. Figure 26.

#### NORTH FORK LOST CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the North Fork Lost Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-7.3 km 4-6 km 4.9 km 2.5 km 4.7 km 6.1 km 6.8 km 2.8	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhous	10/12/83 09/21/83 08/04/83 - 08/11/83 07/29/82 - 11/16/82
2	km 7.3-11.5 km 8.8-10.8 km 10 km 10 km 9	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry	10/01/83 10/04/83 10/03/83 09/29/83
3	km 11.5-14	Location of reach	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of North Fork Lost Creek is a fourth order stream having a medium sized drainage area (37.8 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was moderate  $(56^{\circ} F \text{ or } 13.3^{\circ} C)$  and conductivity during the low water period was high (258 micromhos). The late summer flow was 6.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.3 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 5% riffle, 20% run, and 72% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (13.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (35%) and large gravel (28%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (22%), sand (9%), small gravel (4%), and silt (2%). D-90 was 103 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 85). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (22%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (45%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (26%).

### Stream Features

A canyon section, from km 6-7, contains a falls at km 5.9 that is a barrier to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 31 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for cutthroat trout (102/300 m), moderate for bull trout (99/300 m), and low for brook trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for cutthroat trout (39/300 m), and low for both bull trout (17/300 m) and brook trout (3/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and 1983, with 9 and 6 redds found respectively. A 5.9 km section (km 5.9-0) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 7 redds were found. A limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important to migratory bull trout production.

### Reach 2

Reach 2 of North Fork Lost Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (23.9 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.9%). The conductivity during the low water period was moderate (219 micromhos) and the late summer flow was 3.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.0 meters and was comprised of 12% riffle, 33% run, and 55% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (32%) and cobble (28%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (25%), small gravel (12%), sand (2%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 61 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 75). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (31%) which was mostly created by boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (46%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (44%).

#### Stream Features

The stream goes dry from km 7.9 to km 7.5 and from km 10.8 upstream for an undetermined distance during late summer. There were several falls in this reach which are complete barriers to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 116 m section of this reach on 4 October 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was low (63/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was also low (11/300 m). A 3.7 km section (km 11.0-7.3) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. A 0.7 km section (km 8.0-7.3) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 but no redds were found.

### Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 17 September 1982. Reach 3 of the North Fork of Lost Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (4.8 square kilometers) and high average channel gradient (19.5%). The channel width was estimated to be 1-2 meters. Channel debris was low and there were several cascades and chutes which were barriers to upstream fish movement. The streambed material was composed mostly of large gravel and boulders. The D-90 was estimated to be high. A high gradient cascade section was observed from km 11.5-12.5.

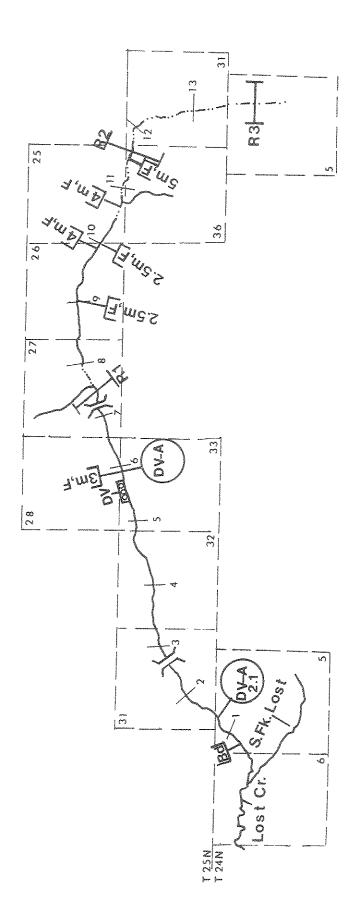


Figure 27. Biophysical inventory map of North Fork of Lost Creek, a tributary of Lost Creek.

#### PIPER CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Piper Creek, a tributary to the Swap River

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<u>Reach</u>	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>
1	km 0-2	Location of reach	
	km 0.5-1.5	Habitat survey section	10/12/83
	km 0.6	Electrofishing section (survey)	09/20/82
	km 1.5	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	08/01/84 - 08/09/84
	km 1.7	Discharge measurement	10/12/83
	km 0.4	Water chemistry	09/27/83
	km 0.6	Max/min thermometer	08/04/83 - 08/11/83
	km 1.8	Proposed hydro powerhous	9
2	km 2-12	Location of reach	
	km 2.3-4.3	Habitat survey section	11/15/83
	km 4.3	Electrofishing section (survey)	08/26/82
	km 5.4	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	07/27/84 - 08/13/84
	km 8.8	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	08/14/84 - 08/21/84
	km 6.3	Water chemistry	09/27/83
	km 2.7	Max/min thermometer	08/11/83 - 09/01/83
	km 6.4	Instream flow transects (WETP)	
	km 6.4	Thermograph	06/15/83 - 10/29/84
	km 6.4	Water level recorder	11/24/82 - 10/29/84
	km 8.2	Proposed hydro diversion	,
3	km 12-14	Location of reach	

# Reach 1

Reach 1 of Piper Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (24.1 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.8%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (141 micromhos). The late summer flow was 7.9 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.8 meters and was comprised of 33% riffle, and 67% run. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (9.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (39%) and small gravel (24%) with lesser amounts of cobble (23%), sand (8%), silt (4%), and boulder-bedrock (2%). D-90 was 46 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had

a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 81). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (32%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (77%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (39%).

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A three-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 97 m section of this reach on 20 September, 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (183/300 m) and low for cutthroat, bull, and rainbow trout (24, 48, and 12 fish/300 m, respectively). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were moderate for brook trout (57/300 m) and low for cutthroat, bull, and rainbow trout (4, 16, and 6 fish/300 m, respectively).

In addition, a 1,000 foot-long section of this reach was electrofished during the period 1 August through 9 August, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for bull, cutthroat, and brook trout (67, 62, and 57 fish/300 m, respectively). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for bull, cutthroat, and brook trout (7, 20, and 28/300 m, respectively).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and again in 1984, but no redds were found. A 1.7 km section (km 1.7 to km 0.0) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983, but no redds were found. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered marginal for migratory bull trout production. A limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed.

# Reach 2

Reach 2 of Piper Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (22.6 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (55°F or 12.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (137 micromhos). The late summer flow was 11.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.8 meters and was comprised of 18% riffle, 67% run, and 15% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (32%) and cobble (29%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (18%), small gravel (14%), silt (6%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 23 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream

reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 69). There was a low amount of instream cover (11%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (59%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (25%).

# Stream Features

Numerous log jams were present in the reach. A log jam at km 3.0 may possibly be a barrier to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 116 m section of this reach on 26 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for brook trout (78/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (66/400 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for brook trout (21/300 m) and moderate for cutthroat trout (35/300 m).

In addition, two 1,000 foot-long sections of this reach were electrofished during July and August, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, densities of fish 75 mm and longer at km 5.4 were high for bull trout (210/300 m), and low for both cutthroat trout (60/300 m), and brook trout (43/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) at km 5.4 were low for bull, cutthroat, and brook trout (6, 20, and 12/300 m respectively). The density of cutthroat trout 75 mm and longer (the only species captured) at km 8.8 was high (272/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) at km 8.8 was also high (82/300 m).

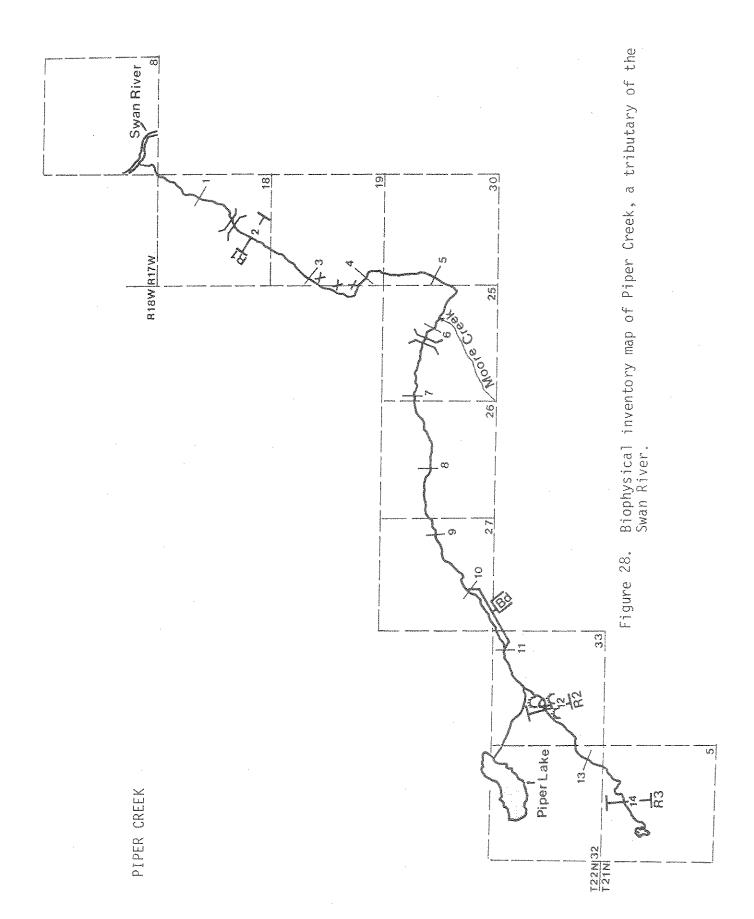
A 4.3 kilometer long section (km 6.3-km 2.0) of this reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. The reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983. A six kilometer long section (km 8.0-km 2.0) was again surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 1 redd was found.

The conflicting evidence that indicates high juvenile bull trout density in Reach 2, but a low amount of spawning activity at any point in Piper Creek suggests that Reach 2 either supports a resident bull trout population or serves as a rearing area for juveniles that hatched elsewhere. Consequently the importance of this reach for migratory bull trout production is undetermined.

#### Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed; however, it was helicopter surveyed on 13 July 1982. Reach 3 of Piper Creek is a second order

stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.0 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.3%). The channel width was estimated to be 2-3 meters. Channel debris was moderate to low. The substrate consisted of cobble and boulder with some fines and D-90 was high. Marshy areas where the stream was backed up were present from km 12.0-12.2. The fish habitat ended at km 14.0 due to steep gradient.



#### PONY CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Pony Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Lccation(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-2.9 km 0.9-2.9 km 2.9 km 2.9 km 2.9	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	8/4/83 8/8/83 8/7/83 8/4/83-8/10/83
2	km 2.9-6.8 km 6	Location of reach Water chemistry	9/27/83
3	km 6.8-9.1 km 7.5-8.5 km 7.9 km 8.2 km 8.2	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	8/25/83 8/29/83 8/29/83 8/18/83-8/29/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Pony Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (13.3 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (62°F or 16.7°C). The discharge during the habitat survey was 4.1 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.7 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 8% riffle, 80% run, and 7% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (11.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (59%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (19%), small gravel (14%), sand (5%), cobble (2%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 9 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (55%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 82). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (55%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (43%).

# Stream Features

Numerous beaver dams were present in this reach. A large marshy area was located at km 2.3.

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 92 m section of this reach on 8 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (429/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (9/300 m). One longnose sucker was also captured. Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate for brook trout (42/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (3/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

# Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was helicopter surveyed on 17 September 1982. Reach 2 of Pony Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.5 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.3%). The channel width was estimated to be 1-2 meters. Channel debris was low. The substrate consisted of large gravel and cobble, and D-90 was moderate to low. A road culvert at km 6.0 may be a barrier to upstream fish movement. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

### Reach 3

Reach 3 of Pony Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (5.8 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (22.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (57°F or 13.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (165 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 2.5 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.7 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.5 meters and was comprised of 2% pool, 3% riffle, 12% run, and 83% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (5.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (42%) and large gravel (28%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (26%), small gravel (3%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 116 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 65). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (38%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris . Total overhead cover was abundant (91%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (27%).

#### Stream Features

Numerous cascades and falls were observed throughout the reach.

#### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 98 m section of this reach on 29 August 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was high (153/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was low (19/300 m).



Biophysical inventory map of Pony Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 29.

#### PORCUPINE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Porcupine Creek, a tributary to Gildart Creek.

<u>Reach</u>	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3 km 0-1 km 1 km 1 km 1 km 1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	10/18/83 8/23/82 10/18/83 9/29/83 8/11/83-9/1/83

# Reach 1

Reach 1 of Porcupine Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively small drainage area (25.7 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (8.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (240 micromhos). The late summer flow was 2.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.8 meters and was comprised of 12% riffle, 70% run, and 18% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (3.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (41%) and small gravel (32%) with lesser amounts of cobble (12%), boulder-bedrock (7%), silt (5%), and sand (3%). D-90 was 26 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (53%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 73). There was a high amount of instream cover (46%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (89%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (59%).

#### Stream Features

The stream flow dissipates to a negligible level at km 3.0.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 23 August 1982. The density of brook trout (the only species captured) was moderate (144/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout was also moderate (32/300 m).

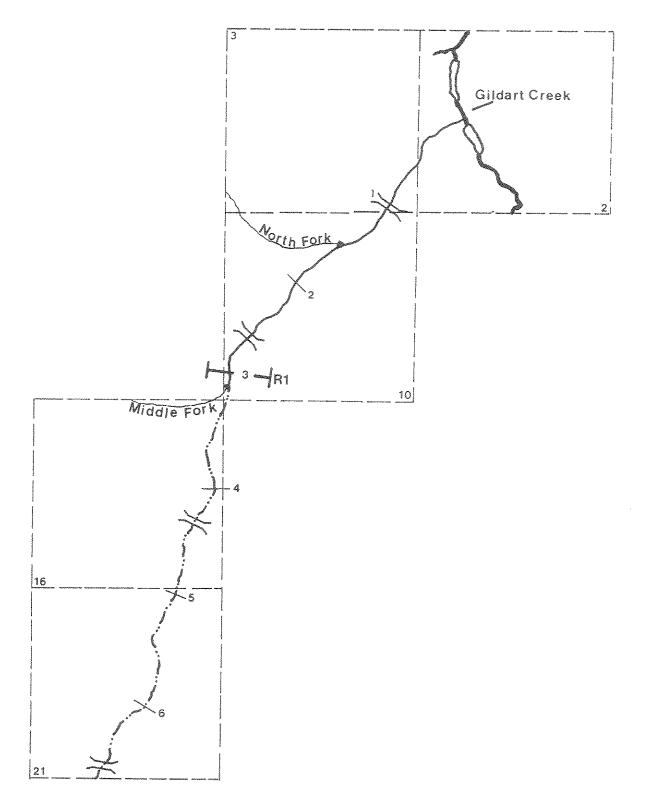


Figure 30. Biophysical inventory map of Porcupine Creek, a tributary of Gildart Creek.

#### RED BUTTE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Red Butte Creek, a tributary to Kraft Creek.

<u>Reach</u>	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
donn't	km 0-4	Location of reach	
	km 1-3	Habitat survey section	8/9/83
	km 2	Electrofishing section	8/10/83
	km 1.2	Discharge measurement	8/9/83
	km 0.3	Water chemistry	9/22/83
	km 2	Max/min thermometer	8/22/83-9/1/83

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Red Butte Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (9.8 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (7.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (52°F or 11.1°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (82 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 2.4 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 1.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.4 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 25% riffle, 35% run, and 30% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (12.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (38%) and cobble (37%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (17%), small gravel (7%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 98 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 52). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (33%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (59%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (51%).

#### Stream Features

Numerous small cascades and debris jams were present throughout the reach.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 100 m section of this reach on 10 August 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout was high (174/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (43/300 m).

Figure 31. Biophysical inventory map of Red Butte Creek, a tributary of Knaft Creek.

RED BUTTE CREEK

#### RUMBLE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Rumble Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-2 km 0.5-1.5 km 1.7 km 0.7 km 0.4 km 0.8	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/1/83 9/6, 9/7, 9/16/83 9/1/83 9/22/83 8/11/83-8/18/83
2	km 2-4.8	Location of reach	
3	km 4.8-8	Location of reach	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Rumble Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (14.6 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (64°F or 17.8°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (1% micromhos). The late summer flow was 1.8 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.3 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 28% riffle, 35% run, and 27% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (11.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (32%) and large gravel (30%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (18%), sand (16%), cobble (3%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 7 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 82). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (22%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was low (32%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (23%).

## Stream Features

Beaver dams and channel braiding were common throughout the reach. A marshy area was located at km 0.5.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 354 m section of the stream on 6, 7, and 16 September 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (606/ 300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (27/300 m). Densities of "catchablesized" trout (150 mm and longer) were extremely high for brook trout (266/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (18/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. The reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

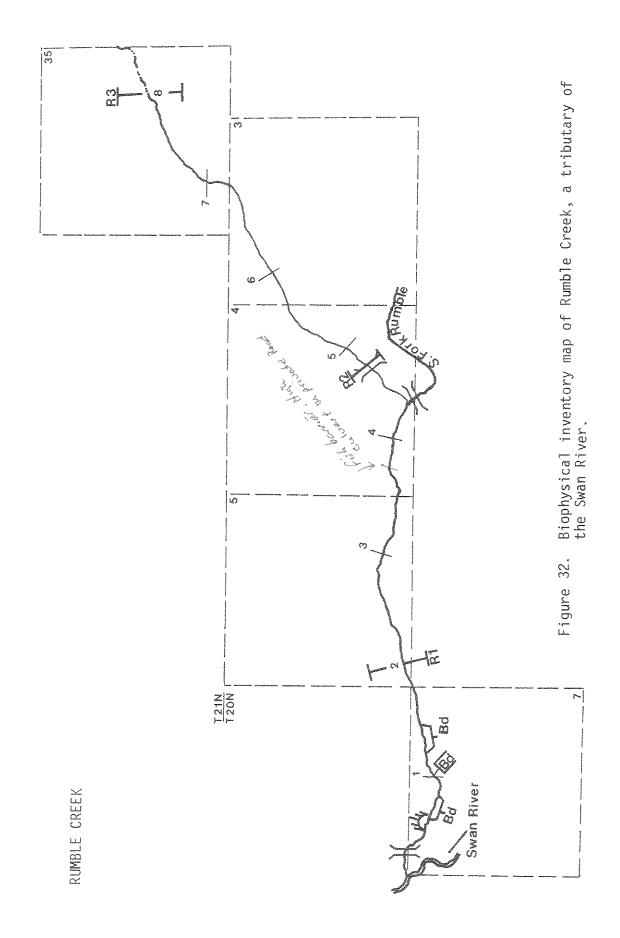
## Reach 2

The reach was not ground surveyed, however it was helicopter surveyed on 18 September 1982. Reach 2 of Rumble Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (11.6 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.8%). The channel width was estimated to be 4 meters. Channel debris was low. The substrate consisted mainly of small and large gravel with some rubble. D-90 was relatively small. No fish barriers were observed. A 2.3 km section (km 4.3 to km 2.0) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. The reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

# see my.

# Reach 3

This reach was not ground surveyed, however it was helicopter surveyed on 18 September 1982. Reach 3 of Rumble Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (4.6 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (21.5%). Channel width was estimated to be 3 meters. Channel debris was low. The substrate consisted of boulders. D-90 was high. Cascades at km 6.0 and km 8.0 may form barriers to migratory fish.



## SCOUT CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Scout Creek, a tributary to Goat Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-1.5 km 0-1 km 1 km 1.1 km .5-1.5 km 1.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WEIP)	9/3/82 9/13/82 9/13/82 8/6/82-11/8/82
	km 1.7 km 0	Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhouse	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Scout Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (20.3%). The late summer flow was 2.7 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.1 meters and was comprised of 28% riffle, 13% run, and 59% pocketwater-cascade. There were no quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (42%) and boulder-bedrock (29%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (24%), small gravel (3%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 74 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (86%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 64). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (36%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (69%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (69%).

## Stream Features

The reach was a series of cascades. The creek was dry from km 1.5 to Scout Lake.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 125 m section of this reach was electrofished on 13 September 1982, however no fish were captured.

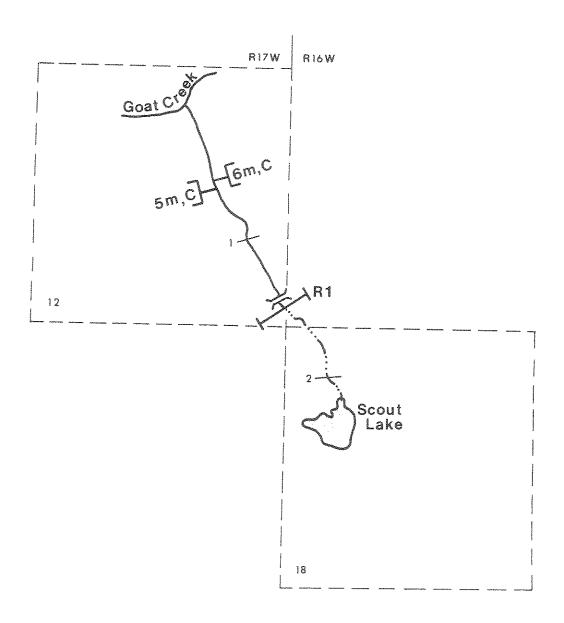


Figure 33. Biophysical inventory map of Scout Creek, a tributary of Goat Creek.

#### SIMPSON CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Simpson Creek, a tributary to Condon Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-4	Location of reach	
	km 2-4	Habitat survey section	7/28/83
	km 2.4	Electrofishing section	8/1/83
	km 2.4	Discharge measurement	7/28/83
	km 0.2	Water chemistry	9/27/83
	km 2.4	Max/min thermometer	8/10/83-8/17/83

## Reach 1

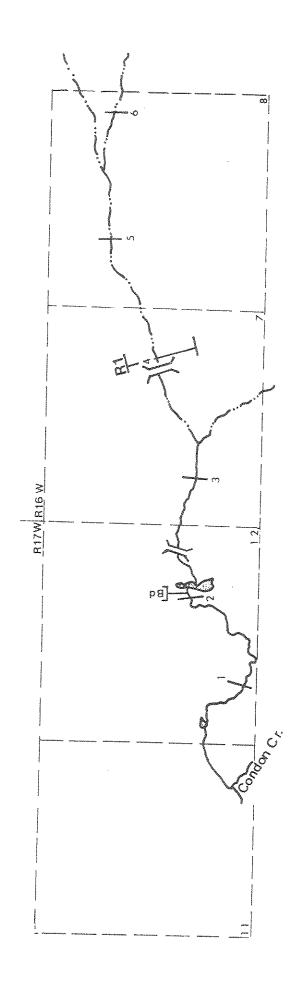
Reach 1 of Simpson Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (13.9 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.4%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (148 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 0.6 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 0.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 1.4 meters and was comprised of 10% riffle, 75% run, and 15% pocketwater-cascade. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (75%) with lesser amounts of sand (7%), small gravel (7%), large gravel (5%), boulder-bedrock (4%), and cobble (2%). D-90 was 6 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (65%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 70). There was a high amount of instream cover (52%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (99%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (79%).

## Stream Features

The stream was intermittent from km 3.7 to 3.4 during the habitat survey. A large beaver pond was observed at km 2.1. This was an extremely small stream.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 92 m section of this reach on 1 August 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was moderate (102/300 m). No "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) were captured.



Biophysical inventory map of Simpson Creek, a tributary of Condon Creek. Figure 34.

## SIXMILE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Sixmile Creek, a tributary to Swan Lake.

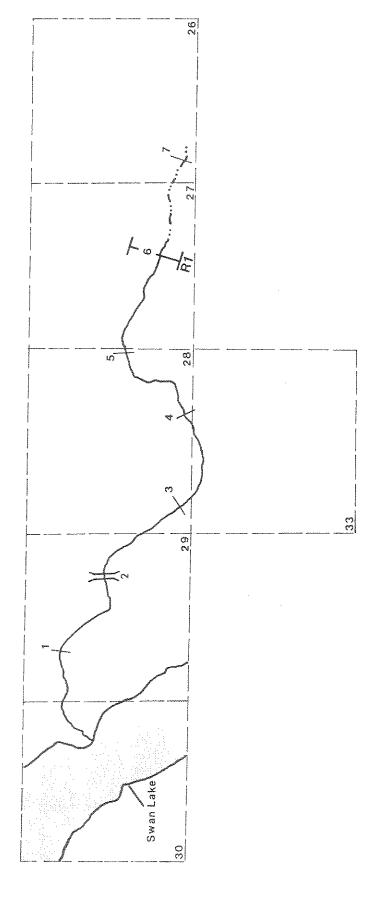
Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-6 km 2-4 km 1.9 km 4.1 km 0.2 km 1.9 km 2.0	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP)	10/26/83 8/17/82 10/26/83 9/21/83 8/4/83-8/11/83 6/27/83-10/17/83
	km 2.9 km 1.7	Proposed hydro diversion Proposed hydro powerhouse	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Sixmile Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (8.0 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (10.2%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (84 micromhos). The late summer flow was 2.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.4 meters and was comprised of 17% riffle, 55% run, and 28% pocketwater-cascade. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (47%) and cobble (27%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (18%), small gravel (4%), silt (3%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 33 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (48%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 73). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (22%) which was mostly comprised of logs and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (90%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (42%).

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 134 m section of this reach on 17 August 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was moderate (123/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout (150 mm and longer) was low (10/300 m).



Biophysical inventory map of Sixmile Creek, a tributary of Swan Lake. Figure 35.

SIXMILE CREEK

#### SMITH CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Smith Creek, a tributary to Condon Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-5.5 km 0.2-1.2 km 0.7 km 1 km 0.2 km 4.3	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/15/83 9/19/83 9/19/83 9/27/83 8/18/83-9/1/83
2	km 5.5-9	Location of reach	
3	km 9-11 km 9.2-10.2 km 9.2 km 8.5 km 8.5 km 9	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	8/29/83 8/30/83 8/29/83 9/27/83 8/18/83-8/30/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Smith Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (24.8 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (75°F or 23.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (278 micromhos). The late summer flow was 0.3 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.7 meters and was comprised of 100% run. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (63%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (17%), sand (12%), small gravel (7%) and cobble (1%). D-90 was 4 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (20%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 87). There was a high amount of instream cover (56%) which was mostly comprised of aquatic vegetation and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (58%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (56%).

## Stream Features

A beaver dam was present at km 1.1. A marshy area was located at km 0.2.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 92 m section of this reach on 19 September 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer brook trout (the only species captured) was moderate (108/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout (150 mm and longer) was also moderate (43/300 m). A small number of northern squawfish and longnose suckers were also captured.

## Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed, however it was helicopter surveyed on 18 September 1982. Reach 2 of Smith Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (8.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.7%). The channel width was estimated to be 3-4 meters. Channel debris was low. The substrate material consisted of large gravel and D-90 was relatively small. No barriers were observed.

## Reach 3

Reach 3 of Smith Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.1 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (21.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (170 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 3.4 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 2.8 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.4 meters and was comprised of 17% riffle, 60% run, and 23% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (48%) and cobble (21%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (17%), small gravel (9%), sand (4%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 54 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (23%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 53). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of turbulence and boulder. Total overhead cover was moderate (44%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (21%).

## Stream Features

Falls and bedrock chutes were numerous throughout the reach. At km 9.9, a 3 m falls and two 3m bedrock chutes formed fish barriers. A 4m falls at km 10.0 was a barrier. At km 10.1 there was a 3 m and a 4 m falls which also were barriers.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 107 m section of this reach was electrofished on 30 August 1983, however only 5 cutthroat trout were captured, indicating a very sparse fish population.

#### SOUP CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Soup Creek, a tributary to the Swan River

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-10.2 km 2-4 km 3.4 km 4 km 1.4 km 3.1 km 1.5; 9.3 km 9.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Fish trap Proposed hydro powerhous	07/11/83 09/27/83 08/04/83 - 08/11/83 04/22/83 - 07/18/83
2	km 10.2-12.3 km 10.4-12.4 km 10.9 km 12.1 km 11.3 km 11.2 km 11 km 9.5 km 11 km 12.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WEIP) Thermograph Water level recorder Proposed hydro diversion	11/09/83 09/21/83 08/04/83 - 08/10/83 07/26/83 - 11/18/83 04/13/83 - 10/30/84 11/24/82 - 10/30/84
3	km 12.3-15 km 13-15 km 14 km 13 km 13.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Max/min thermometer	08/08/83 08/23/83 08/09/83 08/10/83 - 09/12/83

#### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Soup Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (38.1 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (61°F or 16.1°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (328 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 23.8 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was about 10.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.8 meters and was comprised of 6% pool, 14% riffle, 75% run, and 5% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (7.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (30%) and silt (25%) with lesser amounts of sand (22%), small gravel (19%), and cobble (4%). D-90 was 13 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in

the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (85%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 85). There was a high amount of instream cover (42%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (61%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (43%).

## Stream Features

The stream is very marshy near the mouth with no main channel. Beaver dams were located at km 2.4 and 3.4.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 107 m section of this reach on 16 August 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (279/300 m) and low for bull trout (3/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout (150 mm and longer) was moderate (48/300 m). No "catchable-sized" bull trout were captured. Small numbers of longnose suckers were also observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered marginal for migratory bull trout production. A 9.5 km section (km 9.5 to 0.0) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed.

Fish traps were installed in the upper and lower ends of this reach to monitor potential spawning movements and rates of juvenile emigration of cutthroat trout during the time period of 22 April to 18 July 1983. No adult cutthroat trout and very few juveniles were captured, indicating very low use by migratory fish.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Soup Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (13.7 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (11.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (53°F or 11.7°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (270 micromhos). The late summer flow was 8.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.8 meters and was comprised of 7% pool, 2% riffle, 50% run, and 41% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (13.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (37%) and boulder-bedrock (36%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (23%), and small gravel (4%). D-90 was 69 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed are large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (38%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 66). There

was a moderate amount of instream cover (27%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (59%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (43%).

## Stream Features

Numerous cascades, falls, chutes, and debris jams were present throughout the reach, some forming complete barriers to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 160 m section of this reach on 11 August 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout was high (240/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout was moderate (46/300 m).

## Reach 3

Reach 3 of Soup Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (10.5 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.7%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (55°F or 12.8°C). The discharge during the habitat survey was .3 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 0.2 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.2 meters and was comprised of 45% riffle, 47% run, and 8% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (4.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (41%) and small gravel (28%) with lesser amounts of cobble (19%), sand (7%), boulder-bedrock (4%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 20 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (38%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 58). There was a low amount of instream cover (15%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (51%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (36%).

## Stream Features

A moderate number of falls, cascades, and debris jams were present in this reach. The stream goes dry for approximately 100 m around km 13.7.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A  $103~\mathrm{m}$  section of this reach was electrofished on 23 August 1983, however no fish were captured.

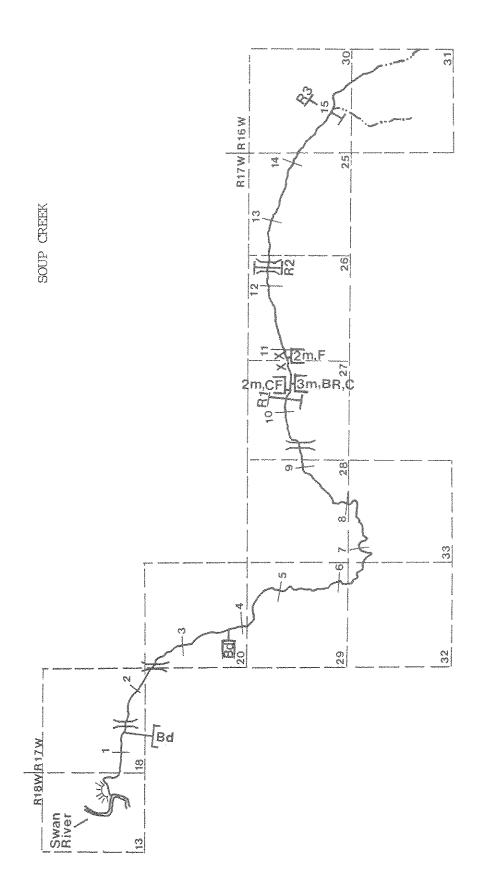


Figure 37. Biophysical inventory map of Soup Creek, a tributary of the Swan River.

## SOUTH FORK OF COLD CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the South Fork of Cold Creek, a tributary to Cold Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
en d	km 0-3.5 km 1-3 km 3 km 2.3 km 0.6 km 3	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	10/11/83 9/21/82 10/11/83 9/27/83 8/4/83-8/10/83
2	km 3.5-7 km 4.3-6.3 km 6.3 km 6.3 km 6.7 km 6.1	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	10/13/83 9/15/82 10/13/83 9/27/83 8/4/83-8/10/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of South Fork Cold Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (28.9 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (57°F or 13.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (252 micromhos). The late summer flow was 4.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.2 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 15% riffle, 77% run, and 3% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (14.5 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (32%) and large gravel (30%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (25%), sand (6%), cobble (6%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 12 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (65%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 96). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (37%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was moderate (60%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (53%).

## Stream Features

A series of beaver dams from km 1.5 to 1.0 created slow, deep runs.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 21 September 1982. Densities of

fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (153/300 m) and low for both cutthroat trout (12/300 m) and bull trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" (150 mm and longer) brook, bull, and cutthroat trout were low (29, 3, and 6 fish/300 m, respectively). Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of South Fork Cold Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (16.7 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (8.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (248 micromhos). The late summer flow was 3.3 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 4.8 meters and was comprised of 10% pool, 2% riffle, 20% run, and 68% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (17.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (34%) and cobble (26%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (25%), silt (8%), small gravel (5%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 49 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (55%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 61). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (40%) which was mostly comprised of logs and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (68%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (63%).

# Stream Features

The stream became intermittent at km 7.0.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 122 m section of this reach on 15 September 1982. The density of 75 mm and longer cutthroat trout (the only species captured) was moderate (150/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" cutthroat trout was also moderate (56/300 m). The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but none were found. The reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983.

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#### SOUTH FORK ELK CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the South Fork of Elk Creek, a tributary to Elk Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3	Location of reach	
	km 1-2	Habitat survey section	9/13/83
	km 0.7	Electrofishing section	9/29/83
	km 0	Discharge measurement	9/13/83
	km 0.1	Water chemistry	9/29/83
	km 0.1	Max/min thermometer	8/18/83-9/13/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of South Fork Elk Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (22.1 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (5.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (175 micromhos). The late summer flow was 13.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 8.0 meters and was comprised of 5% riffle, 50% run, and 45% pocketwater-cascade. was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (5.0 The streambed was comprised mainly of per kilometer of stream). cobble (32%) and boulder-bedrock (31%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (16%), silt (10%), sand (6%), and small gravel (5%). D-90 was 91 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (50%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 58). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (39%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was low (30%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (23%).

## Stream Features

A 2.5 km falls located at km 0.5 was a complete barrier to upstream fish movement. Numerous small cascades were present from km 1.0 to 0.0.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 109 m section of this reach was electrofished on 29 September 1983, however only 3 juvenile bull trout were captured, indicating a very sparse fish population. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production.

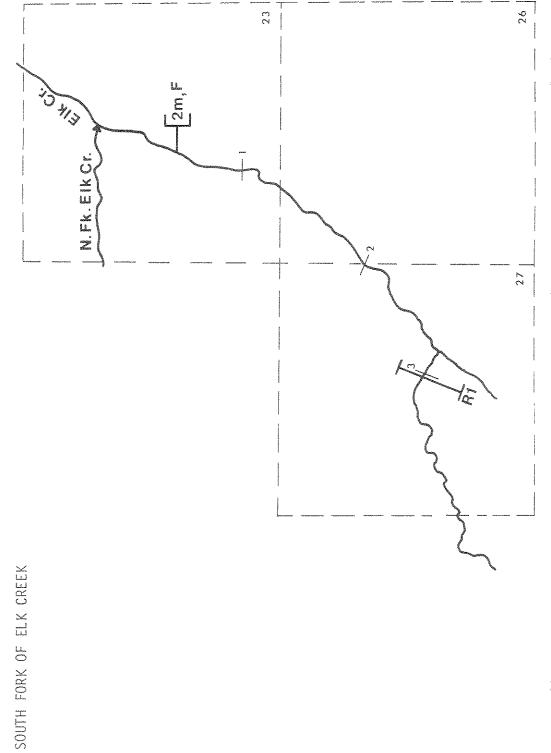


Figure 39. Biophysical inventory map of South Fork of Elk Creek, a tributary of Elk Creek.

#### SOUTH FORK OF LOST CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the South Fork of Lost Creek, a tributary to Lost Creek

<u>Reach</u>	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-3 km 0.5-2.5 km 1.5 km 2.6 km 0.7 km 2.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	08/11/83 11/03/83, 11/08/83 08/11/83 09/29/83 08/18/83 - 09/01/83
2	km 3-10 km 3.6 - 5.6 km 4.5 - 5.3 km 4.5 km 5 km 4.5 km 4.6 km 5.5 km 5.5 km 5.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP) Thermograph Water level recorder Proposed hydro diversion	10/25/83 08/25/82, 08/24/82 10/26/83 09/29/83 08/06/82 - 11/10/82 07/29/82 - 10/31/82 04/12/83 - 10/30/84 11/10/82 - 10/30/84
3	km 10-14 km 11-12 km 11.6 km 10.6	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement	07/26/83 07/28/83 07/26/83

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of South Fork Lost Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (43.6 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (54°F or 12.2°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (282 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 23 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 10.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 8.9 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 15% riffle, 42 % run, and 40% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (4.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (43%) and large gravel (37%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (11%), small gravel (6%), sand (2%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 56 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (28%) and channel stability was good

(rating score = 74). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (21%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was moderate (62%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (34%).

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained on a 305 m section of this reach on 3 and 8 November 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both bull trout (24/300 m) and cutthroat trout (36/300 m), and moderate for brook trout (93/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" (150 mm and longer) bull, cutthroat, and brook trout were low (5, 16, and 11 fish/300 m, respectively).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983, and 1984. The first two surveys revealed no redds while four redds were found in 1984. A limited amount of brook trout spawning was observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important to migratory bull trout production.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of South Fork Lost Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (37.6 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (4.9%). The conductivity during the low water period was high (260 micromhos). The late summer flow was 14.4 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.0 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 12% riffle, 50% run, and 35% pocketwater-cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (7.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (36%) and boulderbedrock (28%) with lesser amounts of cobble (25%), and small gravel (11%). D-90 was 63 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (33%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 76). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (73%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (24%).

## Stream Features

A moderate number of debris jams (mostly small) and falls were present throughout the reach. A 4 m falls at km 7.3 is a complete barrier to upstream fish movement.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 132 m section of this reach on 24 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for bull trout (99/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (23/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both bull trout (12/300 m) and cutthroat trout (12/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 and 1983 and 2, and 1 redds were found, respectively. A 4.3 km section (km 7.3 to 3) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 8 redds were found. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered important for migratory bull trout production.

## Reach 3

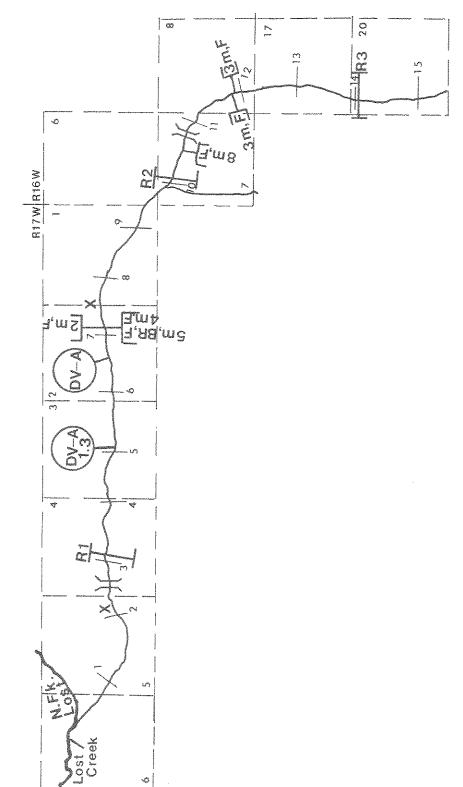
Reach 3 of South Fork Lost Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (12.2 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (19.5%). The discharge during the habitat survey was 14.4 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 5.3 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.4 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 42% riffle, 27% run, and 28% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (16.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (34%) and cobble (29%) with lesser amounts of boulder-bedrock (26%), small gravel (7%), sand (2%), and silt (2%). D-90 was 56 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (33%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 51). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (38%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (47%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (29%).

## Stream Features

Two 3.0 m falls and an 8.0 m falls were complete barriers to upstream fish movement and were located at km 11.9 and km 11.0, respectively.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 130 m section of this reach was electrofished on 28 July 1983, however no fish were captured.



Biophysical inventory map of South Fork of Lost Creek, a tributary of Lost Creek. Figure 40.

## SOUTH FORK OF RUMBLE CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in the South Fork of Rumble Creek, a tributary to Rumble Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
	km 0-2 km 0.4	Location of reach Water chemistry	9/22/83
2	km 2-5 km 2.3-3.3 km 2.3 km 2.3	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement	9/6/83 9/7/83 9/6/83

## Reach 1

This reach was not ground surveyed, however it was helicopter surveyed on 18 September 1982. Reach 1 of South Fork Rumble Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (5.0 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (10.4%). The channel width was estimated to be 3 meters. Channel debris was low. The substrate material consisted of large and small gravel and the D-90 was relatively small. No fish barriers were observed.

# Reach 2

Reach 2 of South Fork Rumble Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (3.8 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (26.8%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (56°F or 13.3°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (158 micromhos). The late summer flow was 1.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.8 meters and was comprised of 8% pool, 15% riffle, 13% run, and 64% pocketwater-cascade. There was a high density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (17.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of boulder-bedrock (33%) and large gravel (29%) with lesser amounts of cobble (26%), small gravel (9%), silt (2%), and sand (1%). D-90 was 64 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were large in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (45%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 46). There was a low amount of instream cover (15%) which was mostly comprised of boulders and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (58%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (23%).

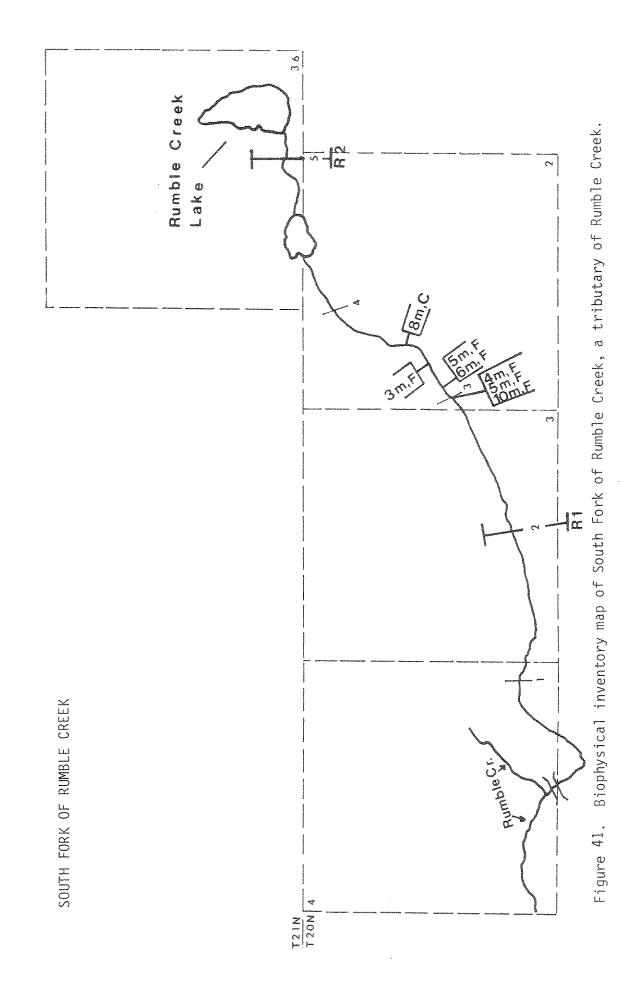
## Stream Features

Bedrock falls and cascades were abundant throughout the reach. Some of the larger barriers included a 6 m and a 5 m bedrock falls at km 2.5, a 5 m and two 10 m bedrock falls at km 2.6, a 20 m  $\,$ 

bedrock chute-cascade at km 2.8, and an 8 m cascade at km 3.5.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 94 m section of this reach was electrofished on 7 September 1983, however, only five cutthroat trout were captured, indicating a very sparse fish population.



## SOUTH WOODWARD CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in South Woodward Creek, a tributary to Woodward Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-2 km 0-2 km 1 km 2	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement	9/28/83 9/29/83, 10/5,20/83 9/29/83
2	km 2-5 km 2.5-4.5 km 3.1 km 4 km 2 km 4.7	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Proposed hydro powerhouse	9/28/83 10/3/83, 10/12/83 9/28/83 9/29/83
	km 5-11 km 5-7 km 7 km 6.7 km 9.3 km 6.6 km 6.7	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer Instream flow transects (WETP) Proposed hydro diversion	10/17/83 9/1/82 10/18/83 9/29/83 8/11/83-9/1/83 6/23/83-10/18/83
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## Reach 1

Reach 1 of South Woodward Creek is a second order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (40.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.2%). The late summer flow was 37 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 15.7 meters and was comprised of 100% run. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of silt (80%) with lesser amounts of sand (7%), large gravel (6%), small gravel (5%), cobble (1%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 13 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (23%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 74). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of logs and aquatic vegetation. Total overhead cover was low (12%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (12%).

## Stream Features

Woodward meadows extends from near the mouth of South Woodward Creek to km 1.7. One beaver dam was located at km 1.4.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 539 m section of this reach on 29 September, 5 and 20 October 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer was moderate for brook trout (111/300 m) and low for bull trout (9/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" (150 mm and longer) brook trout was moderate (54/300 m). There were no "catchable-sized" bull trout. Based on electrofishing estimates the reach was considered to be marginal for migratory bull trout production. In 1983, 0.3 km (km 1.7 to km 2.0) of this reach was surveyed for bull trout redds and one redd was found. This reach was not surveyed for bull trout redds during 1982.

# Reach 2

Reach 2 of South Woodward Creek is a second order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (33.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.9%). The conductivity during the low water period was moderate (181 micromhos). The late summer flow was 36 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.3 meters and was comprised of 10% riffle and 90% run. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (30%) and sand (22%) with lesser amounts of silt (19%), small gravel (14%), cobble (12%), and boulder-bedrock (3%). D-90 was 16 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (75%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 81). There was a high amount of instream cover (63%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (78%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (40%).

## Stream Features

A beaver dam at km 3.8 backed the stream up for 50 meters. This reach apparently receives large quantities of groundwater.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 308 m section of this reach on 3 and 12 October 1983. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (210/300 m) and moderate for bull trout (111/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were very high for brook trout (108/300 m) and low for bull trout (6/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. The reach was again surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and two redds were found. The effectiveness of visually locating bull trout

redds may have been limited by high late-summer streamflow (normal for this creek), and the deep channel and abundant instream cover in this reach.

## Reach 3

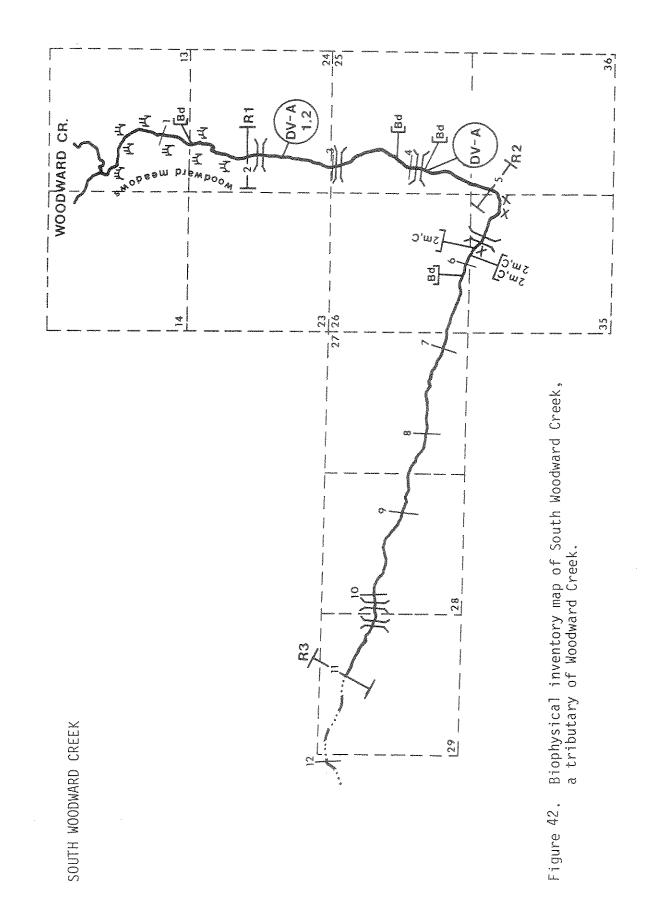
Reach 3 of South Woodward Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (26.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (10.0%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (137 micromhos). The late summer flow was 9.6 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.7 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 55% run, and 40% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (6.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (38%) and boulder-bedrock (25%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (18%), cobble (10%), silt (5%), and sand (4%). D-90 was 50 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (38%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 67). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (33%) which was mostly comprised of logs and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (89%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (50%).

## Stream Features

A beaver dam was located at km 7.1.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 122 m section of this reach was electrofished on 1 September 1982, however only 4 cutthroat trout were captured, indicating a sparse fish population. A 5.0 km section (10.0 km to 5.0 km) of the reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982 but no redds were found. A 0.7 km section (5.7 km to 5.0) was surveyed in 1983 but no redds were found.



#### UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO SOUTH WOODWARD CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in an unnamed tributary to South Woodward Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	<u> Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-1	Location of reach	
	km 0-1	Habitat survey section	11/2/83
	km 0.3	Electrofishing section	9/7/82
	km 0.5	Discharge measurement	11/8/83
	km 0.7	Water chemistry	9/29/83
	km 0.5	Max/min thermometer	3/11/83-8/18/83
		Fish trap	
	km 0.3	Instream flow transects (WETP)	8/3/82-11/20/82
	km 0.8	Proposed hydro diversion	

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of tributary to South Woodward Creek is a first order stream having a relatively small drainage area (0.6 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (10.1%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (51°F or 10.6°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (190 micromhos). The late summer flow was 8.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 3.5 meters and was comprised of 32% riffle, 35% run, and 33% pocketwater-cascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of cobble (37%) and large gravel (24%) with lesser amounts of boulderbedrock (16%), silt (15%), small gravel (6%), and sand (2%). D-90 was 35 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a moderate amount of channel debris (59%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 46). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (25%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was abundant (94%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (57%).

## Stream Features

Numerous cascades, falls, and small debris jams were present throughout the reach. A beaver dam with a very large pond was located at the head of the drainage.

## Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A 116 m section of this reach was electrofished on 7 September 1983, however only one cutthroat trout and one brook trout were captured, indicating a very sparse fish population.

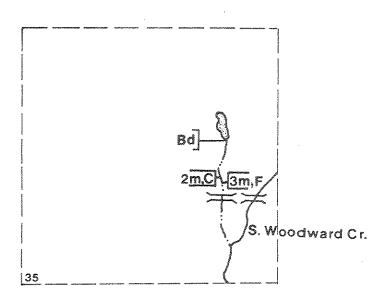


Figure 43. Biophysical inventory map of tributary to South Woodward Creek, a tributary to South Woodward Creek.

# SQUEEZER CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Squeezer Creek, a tributary to the Goat Creek

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-6.5 km 2-4 km 2.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section (survey)	10/04/84 09/09/82
	km 2.5	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	09/27/84 - 10/10/84
	km 5.5	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	09/24/84 - 10/09/84
	km 2.5	Streambed monitoring site	11/05/84
	km 2 km 0.1	Discharge measurement Water chemistry	10/04/83 09/29/83
	km 6.1	Proposed hydro powerhouse	,
2	km 6.5-12	Location of reach	
	km 6.3-7.3	Habitat survey section	10/13/83
	km 6.4	Electrofishing section (survey)	08/11/82
	km 7.0	Electrofishing section (monitoring)	09/20/84 - 10/01/84
	km 6.4	Discharge measurement	10/14/83
	km 6.5	Water chemistry	09/21/83
	km 6.5	Max/min thermometer	08/05/82 - 11/10/82
	km 6.5	Instream flow transects (WEIP)	08/05/82 - 11/18/82
	km 6.5	Thermograph	04/13/83 - 10/30/84
	km 6.5	Water level recorder	11/23/82 - 10/30/84
	km 8.2	Proposed hydro diversion	
	km 8.2	Electrofishing section	09/27/84

## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Squeezer Creek is a third order stream having a medium-sized drainage area (35.4 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.5%). The conductivity during the low water period was moderate (248 micromhos). The late summer flow was 9.0 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 6.7 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 28% riffle, and 67% run. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (9.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of small gravel (37%) and large gravel (34%) with lesser amounts of sand (17%), silt (9%), and cobble (3%). D-90 was 10 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed

were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (63%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 80). There was a low amount of instream cover (14%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was low (24%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (17%).

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 100 m section of this reach on 9 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (174/300 m) and moderate for bull trout (81/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm) and longer were high for brook trout (78/300 m) and low for bull trout (16/300 m).

In addition, two 1,000 foot-long sections of this reach (at kilometers 2.5 and 5.5) were electrofished during September and October, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, densities of fish 75 mm and longer at km 2.5 were moderate for both bull trout (142/300~m) and brook trout (101/300~m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150~mm) and longer) at km 2.5 were high for brook trout (61/300~m) and low for bull trout (7/300~m).

At km 5.5, the density of 75 mm and longer bull trout was moderate (129/300 m). One brook trout and three cutthroat trout were captured, but an accurate population estimate could not be calculated. The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout (150 mm and longer) at km 5.5 was low (12/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, 1983 and 1984 and 41, 57, and 80 redds were found respectively. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was observed. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts this reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production.

## Reach 2

Reach 2 of Squeezer Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (21.4 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (7.6%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively low (50°F or 10.0°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (230 micromhos). The late summer flow was 6.3 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 5.6 meters and was comprised of 5% pool, 2% riffle, 55% run, and 38% pocketwater—cascade. There was a moderate density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (7.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (34%), cobble (24%), and boulder—bedrock (24%) with

lesser amounts of small gravel (12%), sand (5%), and silt (1%). D-90 was 44 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were average in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (28%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 71). There was a high amount of instream cover (43%) which was mostly comprised of boulder and debris. Total overhead cover was abundant (86%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (26%).

### Stream Features

A large cascade section located from km 8.1 to km 7.8 is a complete barrier to upstream fish movement. Numerous cascades, falls, and chutes were present throughout the reach. The absence of fish in upper Squeezer Creek was verified by electrofishing a 1,000 foot long section at km 8.2 - upstream from the steep section. No fish were captured although available habitat was judged to be good.

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 131 m section of this reach on 11 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were moderate for bull trout (129/300 m) and low for cutthroat trout (12/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were low for both bull trout (10/300 m) and cutthroat trout (12/300 m).

In addition, a 1,000 foot-long section of this reach was electrofished during the period 20 September through 1 October, 1984 to obtain more accurate fish population information for the purpose of long-term monitoring. Using a mark-recapture estimation technique, the density of 75 mm and longer bull trout (the only species captured) was low (45/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" bull trout was low (28/300 m).

The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1982, but no redds were found. A 1.3 km section (km 7.8 to km 6.5) was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and three redds were found. A 0.2 km section (km 6.7 to km 6.5) of this reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1984 and 3 redds were found. Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the lower portion of this reach was considered to be critical for migratory bull trout production. A substantial amount of brook trout spawning was also observed.

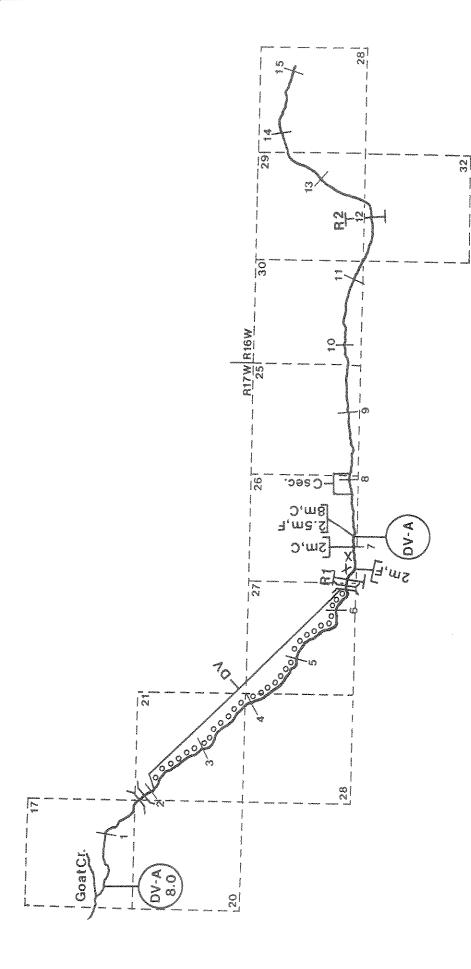


Figure 44. Biophysical inventory map of Squeezer Creek, a tributary of Goat Creek.

#### WHITETAIL CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Whitetail Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-2.3 km 1-2 km 1.7 km 1.7 km 1.7 km 1.7	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	8/4/83 8/8/83, 8/15/83 8/4/83 9/29/83 8/4/83-8/11/83
2	km 2.3-5	Location of reach	

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Whitetail Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (22.5 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (0.3%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was relatively high (66°F or 18.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (242 micromhos). The discharge during the habitat survey was 9.5 cfs and the estimated late summer flow was 3.5 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 7.7 meters and was comprised of 3% riffle, and 97% run. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised entirely of silt and detritus (100%). D-90 was <1 centimeter, indicating that the substrate in the streambed was very small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a low amount of channel debris (30%) and channel stability was fair (rating score = 87). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (38%) which was mostly comprised of debris and aquatic vegetation. Total overhead cover was low (26%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was low (26%).

#### Stream Features

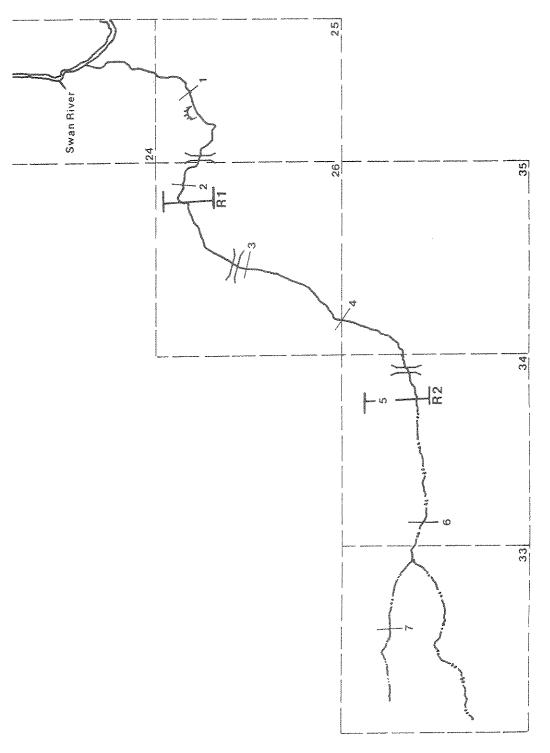
A braided marsh section was located at km 1.2.

### Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 305 m section of this reach on 8 and 15 August 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer brook trout was moderate (111/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout (150 mm and longer) was also moderate (50/300 m). Moderate numbers of suckers and one redside shiner were also captured.

# Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 17 September 1982. Reach 2 of Whitetail Creek is a second order stream having a relatively small drainage area (16.5 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (6.1%). The channel width was estimated to be 1-3 meters. Aerial observation of this reach was very difficult due to thick vegetative cover.



Biophysical inventory map of Whitetail Creek, a tributary of the Swan River. Figure 45.

#### WINDFALL CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Windfall Creek, a tributary to Glacier Creek.

Reach	Location(s)	Item	Date(s)
1	km 0-3.5 km 0.5-1.5 km 1.6 km 1.6 km 2 km 1.5	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	9/14/83 9/17/83 9/17/83 9/22/83 8/22/83-9/1/83

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Windfall Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (13.2 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (2.4%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (61°F or 16.1°C) and conductivity during the low water period was low (69 micromhos). The late summer flow was 1.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.6 meters and was comprised of 3% pool, 22% riffle, and 75% run. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II, and III) pools (5.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of sand (31%) and small gravel (29%) with lesser amounts of large gravel (26%), silt (13%), and cobble (1%). D-90 was 5 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (68%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 76). There was a high amount of instream cover (81%) which was mostly comprised of aquatic vegetation and debris. Total overhead cover was moderate (52%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (26%).

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A three-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 103 m section of this reach on 17 September 1983. The density of 75 mm and longer brook trout (the only fish captured) was high (432/300 m). The density of "catchable-sized" brook trout was low (28/300 m).

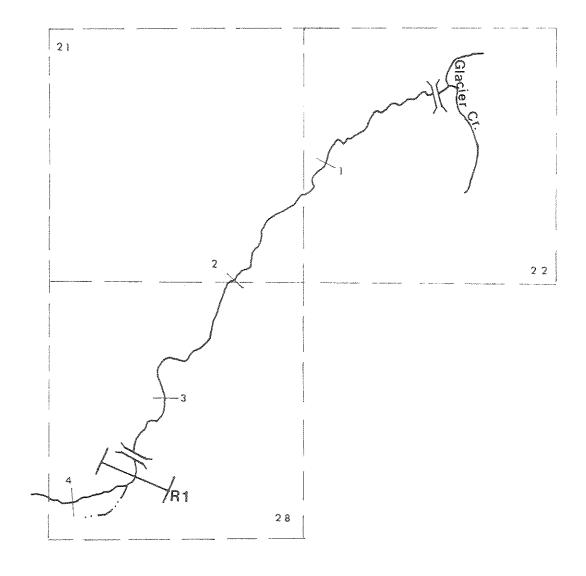


Figure 46. Biophysical inventory map of Windfall Creek, a tributary of Glacier Creek.

#### WOODWARD CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Woodward Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

Reach	Location(s)	<u>Item</u>	Date(s)
1	km 0-3.5 km 1-3 km 2.3 km 2.2 km 2.4 km 2.3	Location of reach Habitat survey section Electrofishing section Discharge measurement Water chemistry Max/min thermometer	11/4/83 9/23/83, 9/27/83 11/4/83 9/29/83 8/4/83-8/11/83
2	km 3.5-5	Location of reach	

### Reach 1

Reach 1 of Woodward Creek is a fourth order stream having a relatively large drainage area (66.3 square kilometers) and a low average channel gradient (1.0%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (57°F or 13.9°C) and conductivity during the low water period was moderate (200 micromhos). The late summer flow was 97 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 11.6 meters and was comprised of 3% riffle and 97% run. There were no high quality (class I, II, and III) pools. The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (29%) and silt (25%) with lesser amounts of small gravel (22%), cobble (13%), sand (10%), and boulder-bedrock (1%). D-90 was 20 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (73%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 66). There was a high amount of instream cover (47%) which was mostly comprised of debris and logs. Total overhead cover was low (32%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was moderate (26%). This stream apparently receives large quantities of groundwater as was evidenced by exceptionally large late summer streamflows and a relatively stable hydrograph.

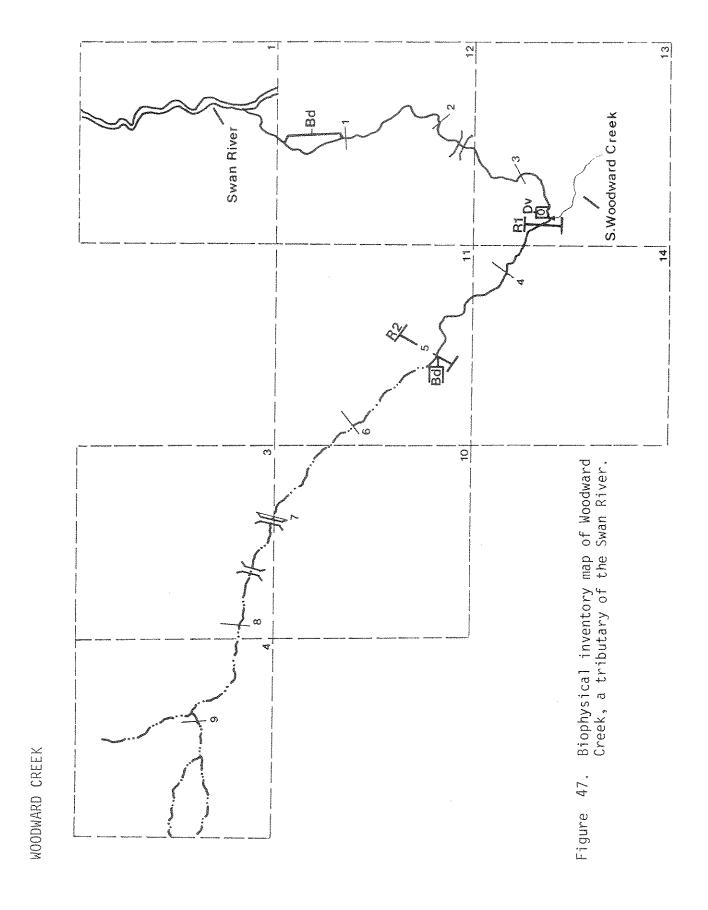
# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A mark-recapture population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 307 m section of this reach on 23 and 27 September 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were high for brook trout (570/300 m), moderate for bull trout (90/300 m), and low for both rainbow trout (9/300 m) and cutthroat trout (3/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout (150 mm and longer) were very high for brook trout (134/300 m) and low for both bull trout (1/300 m) and rainbow trout (14/300 m). Based on electrofishing estimates and redd counts, the reach was considered to be important for migratory bull trout production. The entire reach was surveyed for bull trout redds in 1983 and one redd was found. The ability to visually locate potential bull trout

redds in this reach was hampered by very high late summer streamflow (normal for this creek), the deep channel, and abundant instream cover.

# Reach 2

This reach was not ground surveyed but was surveyed by helicopter on 13 July 1982. Reach 2 of Woodward Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (22.5 square kilometers) and a moderate average channel gradient (3.9%). The channel width was estimated to be 2-3 meters. Channel debris was low and no fish barriers were observed. The streambed material was comprised mostly of gravel and the D-90 was estimated to be small. Several beaver dams and multiple channels occur from km 4.4 to km 5.0. The stream was intermittent above km 5.0.



#### YEW CREEK

Locations of physical and chemical measurement stations and other installations in Yew Creek, a tributary to the Swan River.

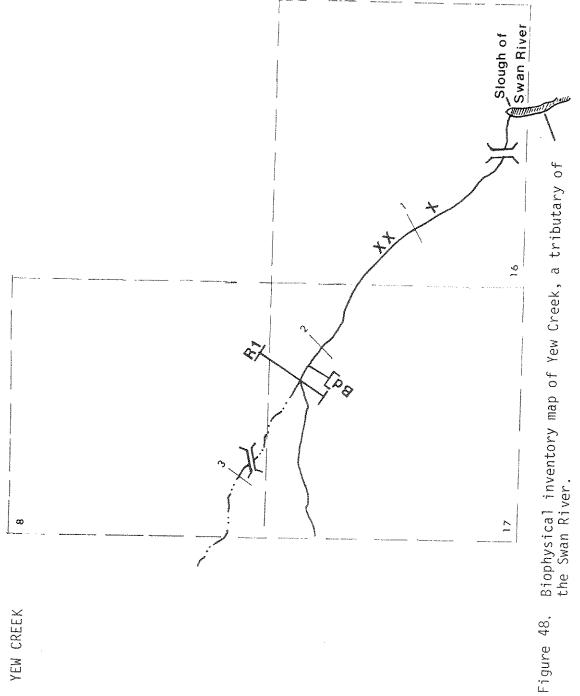
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## Reach 1

Reach 1 of Yew Creek is a third order stream having a relatively small drainage area (7.3 square kilometers) and a high average channel gradient (8.9%). The estimated maximum summer water temperature for this reach during 1983 was average (58°F or 14.4°C) and conductivity during the low water period was high (298 micromhos). The late summer flow was 1.1 cfs. The stream had an average wetted width of 2.8 meters and was comprised of 3% riffle, 72% run, and 25% pocketwatercascade. There was a low density of high quality (class I, II and III) pools (1.0 per kilometer of stream). The streambed was comprised mainly of large gravel (27%), cobble (21%) and silt (21%), with lesser amounts of small gravel (13%), boulder-bedrock (11%), and sand (7%). D-90 was 29 centimeters, indicating that the largest particles of substrate in the streambed were small in comparison to other stream reaches in the drainage. The reach had a high amount of channel debris (63%) and channel stability was good (rating score = 55). There was a moderate amount of instream cover (30%) which was mostly comprised of debris and boulders. Total overhead cover was abundant (92%) and overhead cover due to overhanging vegetation (within one meter of the water surface) and undercut banks was abundant (71%).

# Fish Populations and Spawning Use

A two-pass population estimate was obtained by electrofishing a 113 m section of this reach on 24 August 1982. Densities of fish 75 mm and longer were low for both cutthroat trout (63/300 m) and brook trout (6/300 m). Densities of "catchable-sized" trout was also low for both cutthroat trout (25/300 m) and brook trout (6/300 m).



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# APPENDIX A

Tabulated Fish Population and Habitat Measurement Data

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Summary of fish population information gathered during 1982 and 1983 on tributaries to the Swan River. Table A1.

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Includes undercut banks, overhang (within 1 m of water surface), understory (1 to 5 m above water surface), and overstory (more than 5 m above water surface). م/ ام/

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# APPENDIX B

Bull Trout Redd Distribution in Swan Tributaries - 1982 through 1984

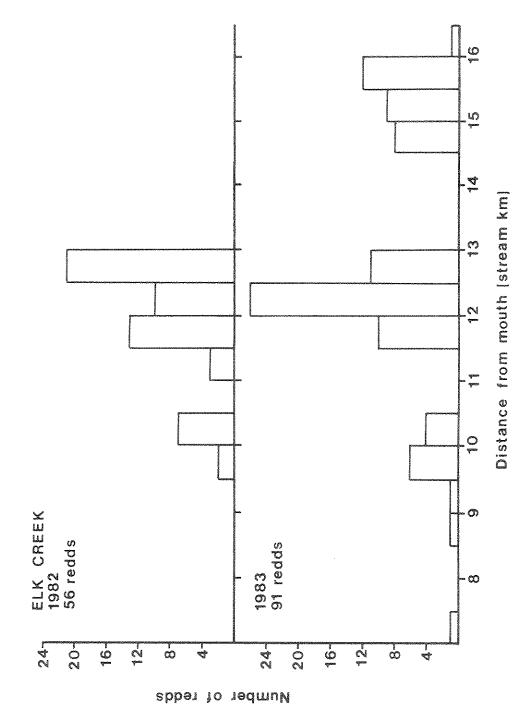


Figure B1. Distribution of bull trout redds in Elk Creek during 1982 and 1983.

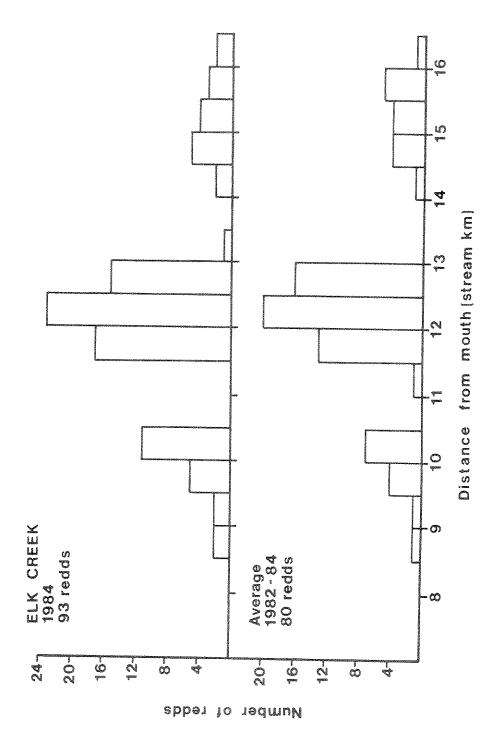


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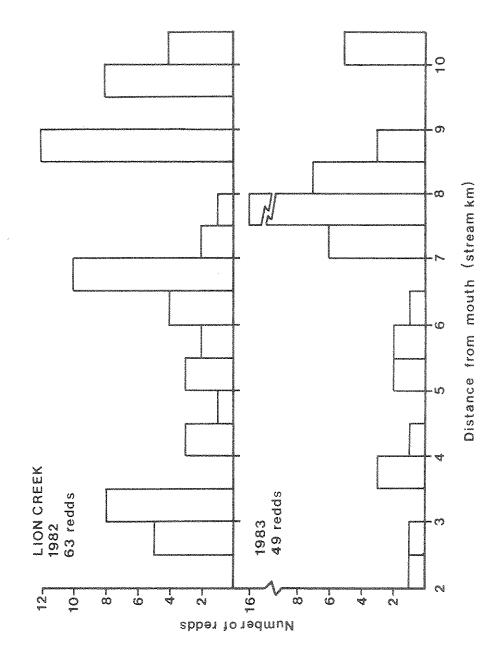


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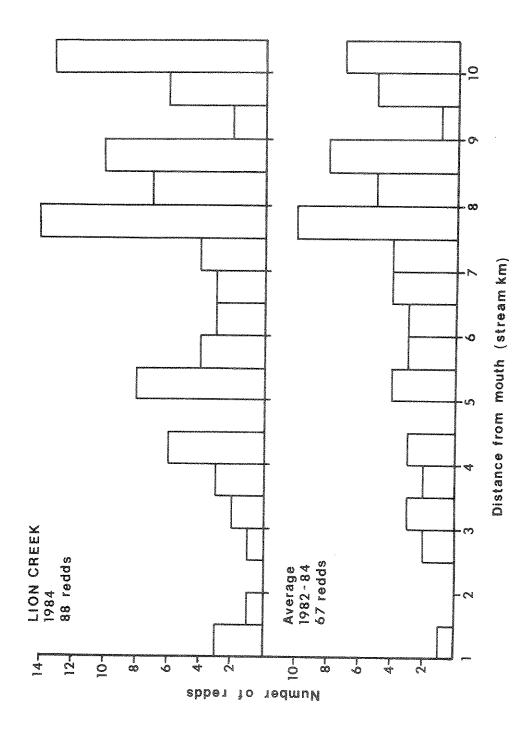


Figure B4. Distribution of bull trout redds in Lion Creek during 1984 (upper graph) and average redd distribution during the years 1982 through 1984 (lower graph).

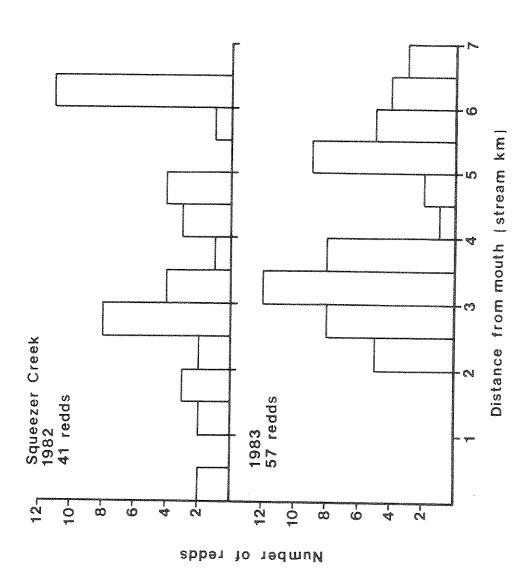


Figure B5. Distribution of bull trout redds in Squeezer Creek during 1982 and 1983.

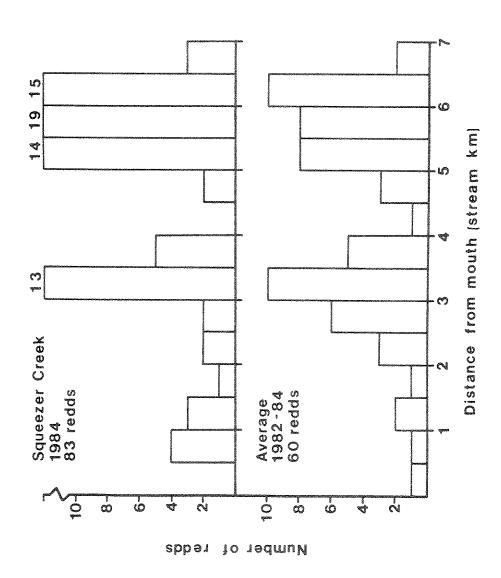


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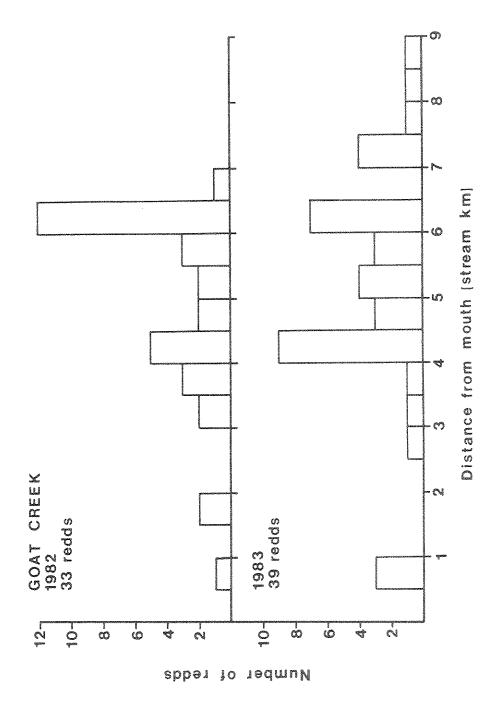


Figure B7. Distribution of bull trout redds in Goat Creek during 1982 and 1983.

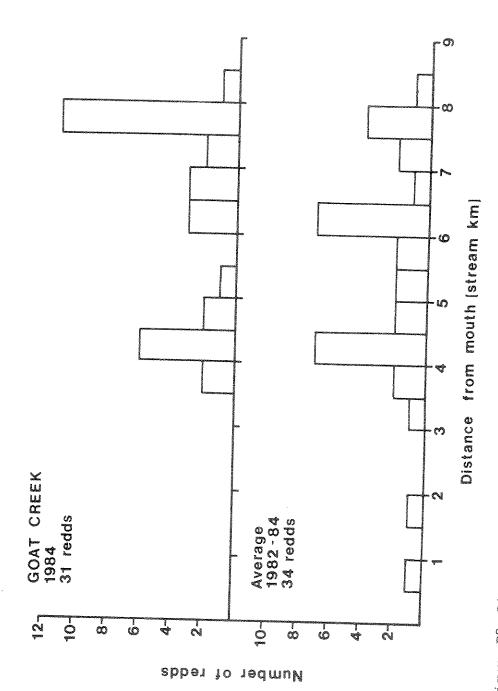


Figure B8. Distribution of bull trout redds in Goat Creek during 1984 (upper graph) and average redd distribution during the years 1982 through 1984 (lower graph).

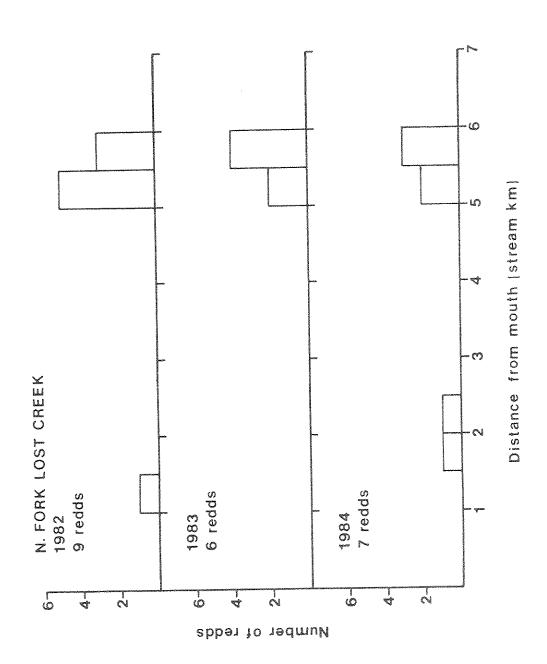


Figure B9. Distribution of bull trout redds in North Fork Lost Creek during 1982 - 1984.

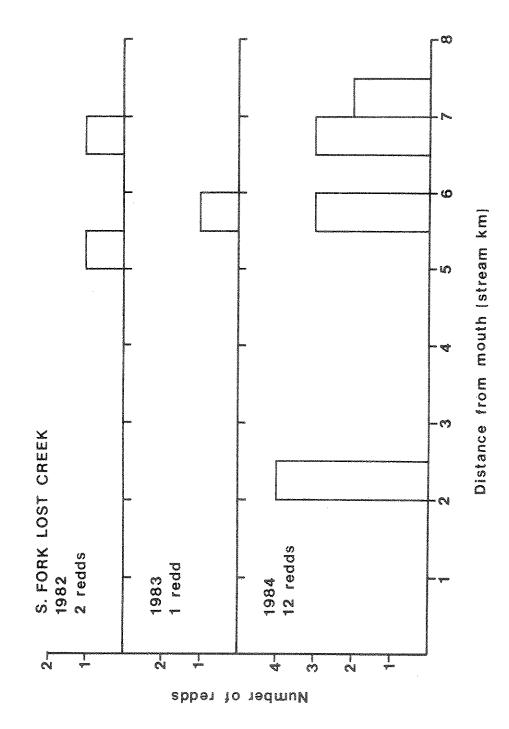


Figure B10. Distribution of bull trout redds in South Fork Lost Creek during 1982 - 1984.

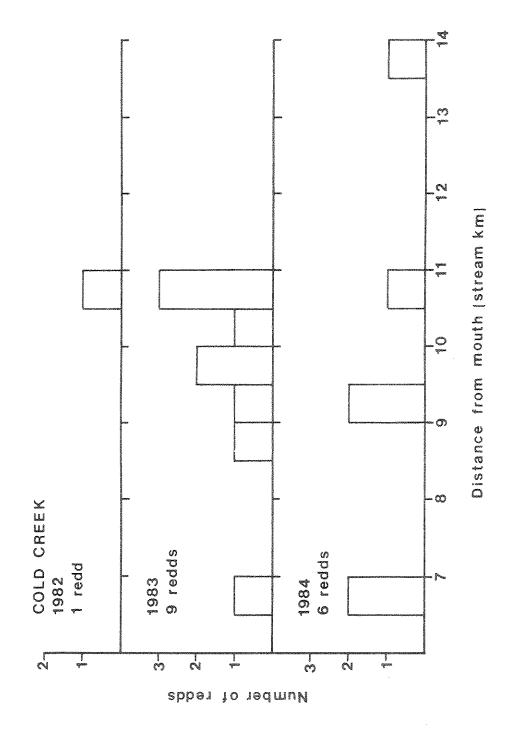


Figure B11. Distribution of bull trout redds in Cold Creek during 1982 - 1984.

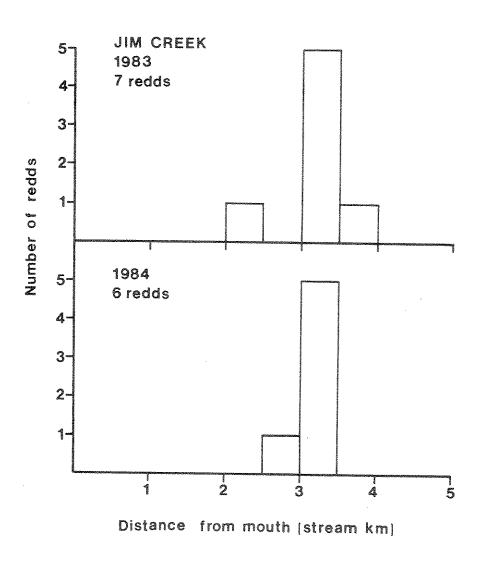


Figure B12. Distribution of bull trout redds in Jim Creek during 1983 and 1984.