

**2014 STREAM FISH AND AQUATIC HABITAT SURVEYS ON PEDRO
BAY CORPORATION LANDS IN THE KVICHAK RIVER WATERSHED**

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INTRODUCTION

From August 9 to 30, 2014, investigators intensively sampled streams tributary to Lake Clark and the northwestern half of Iliamna Lake in the Kvichak River drainage to collect data necessary to develop freshwater fish distribution models. This marked our seventh year of work in the Kvichak and Nushagak river drainages.

In 2014 we collected information at 367 stream locations (Figure 1). We made fish observations at 223 locations (Table 1): at 154 sites we conducted systematic fish community and habitat inventories and we made aerial observations only at an additional 69 locations. Where we made systematic inventories we sampled local fish assemblages with standardized methods developed by Wiedmer (2003). Electrofishing was our primary fish collection method, supplemented with visual observations, underwater video, and angling (Wiedmer 2014). At these sites we also measured a suite of local water chemistry, channel morphology, and riparian habitat parameters.

We recorded barrier (actual or potential) information at 144 locations: 102 cross-channel beaver dams, 34 waterfalls, and 8 sites where there was no surface flow in the stream channel. Where we made only aerial observations we did not record habitat or fish community information.

Where we observed salmon at locations where they were previously not documented (Johnson and Coleman 2014), we were required to report these sightings to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G). We also recommended deleting 13.5 km of previously specified salmon habitat upstream of observed waterfalls which salmon cannot pass. We submitted the results of all our field work to ADF&G and in the coming months they will post these results on their Alaska Freshwater Fish Inventory website (ADF&G 2015).

Table 1.-Fish species, all life stages combined, sampled or observed across the entire 2014 study area.

Common	Name		Observations	
		Scientific	Sites (n)	Individuals (n)
sockeye salmon		<i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>	70	97,007
sculpin ¹		<i>Cottus sp.</i>	84	1,682
Dolly Varden		<i>Salvelinus malma</i>	72	615
coho salmon		<i>O. kisutch</i>	15	271
threespine stickleback		<i>Gasterosteus aculeatus</i>	8	202
Arctic grayling		<i>Thymallus arcticus</i>	13	196
ninespine stickleback		<i>Pungitius pungitius</i>	7	164
rainbow trout		<i>O. mykiss</i>	18	152
longnose sucker		<i>Catostomus catostomus</i>	6	9
burbot		<i>Lota lota</i>	6	7
northern pike		<i>Esox lucius</i>	5	7
Arctic char		<i>S. alpinus</i>	1	5
lake trout		<i>S. namaycush</i>	1	5
round whitefish		<i>Prosopium cylindraceum</i>	3	4
No fish observed			46	0
Grand Total				100,326

¹ The two extant freshwater sculpin species, slimy and coastrange, are not reliably and consistently distinguished in field collections and are combined here.

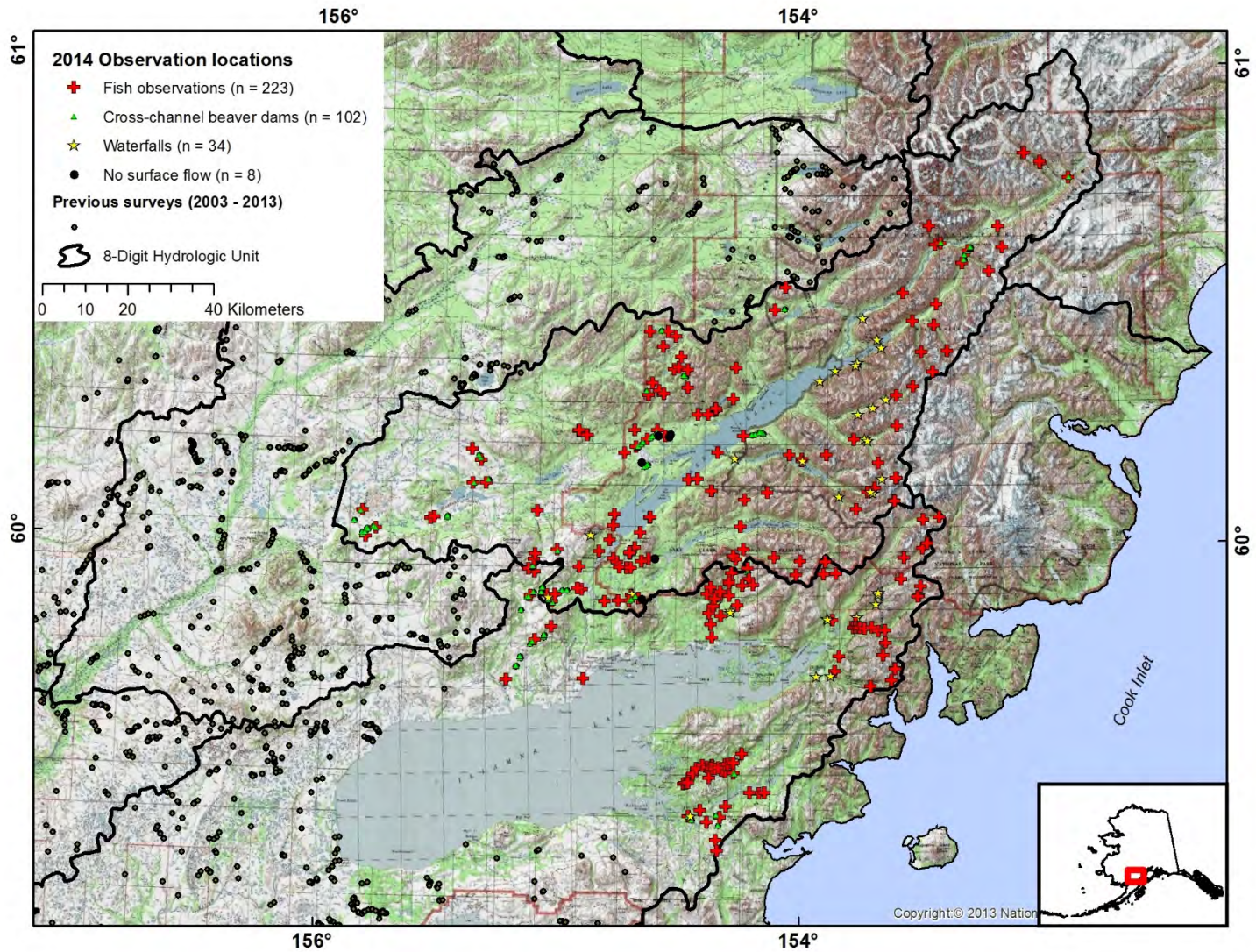


Figure 1.-Locations of waterbody observations within the 2014 upper Kvichak River watershed study area.

RESULTS ON PEDRO BAY CORPORATION LANDS

Between August 14 and 20, 2014, we made 15 observations on Pedro Bay Corporation lands. These included 4 aerial observations of waterfalls, 12 aerial observations of spawning sockeye salmon (1 observation at a waterfall), and 1 systematic fish community and habitat inventory (Figure 2).

At these sites we observed or sampled 2 species and a total of 13,151 fish (Table 2). A report for each of the 15 sites where we made observations is provided in Appendix A.

Table 2.-Fish species, all life stages combined, sampled or observed on Pedro Bay lands.

Name		Observations	
Common	Scientific	Sites (n)	Individuals (n)
sockeye salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>	12	13,149
sculpin ²	<i>Cottus sp.</i>	1	2
Grand Total			13,151

² The two extant freshwater sculpin species, slimy and coastrange, are not reliably and consistently distinguished in field collections and are combined here.

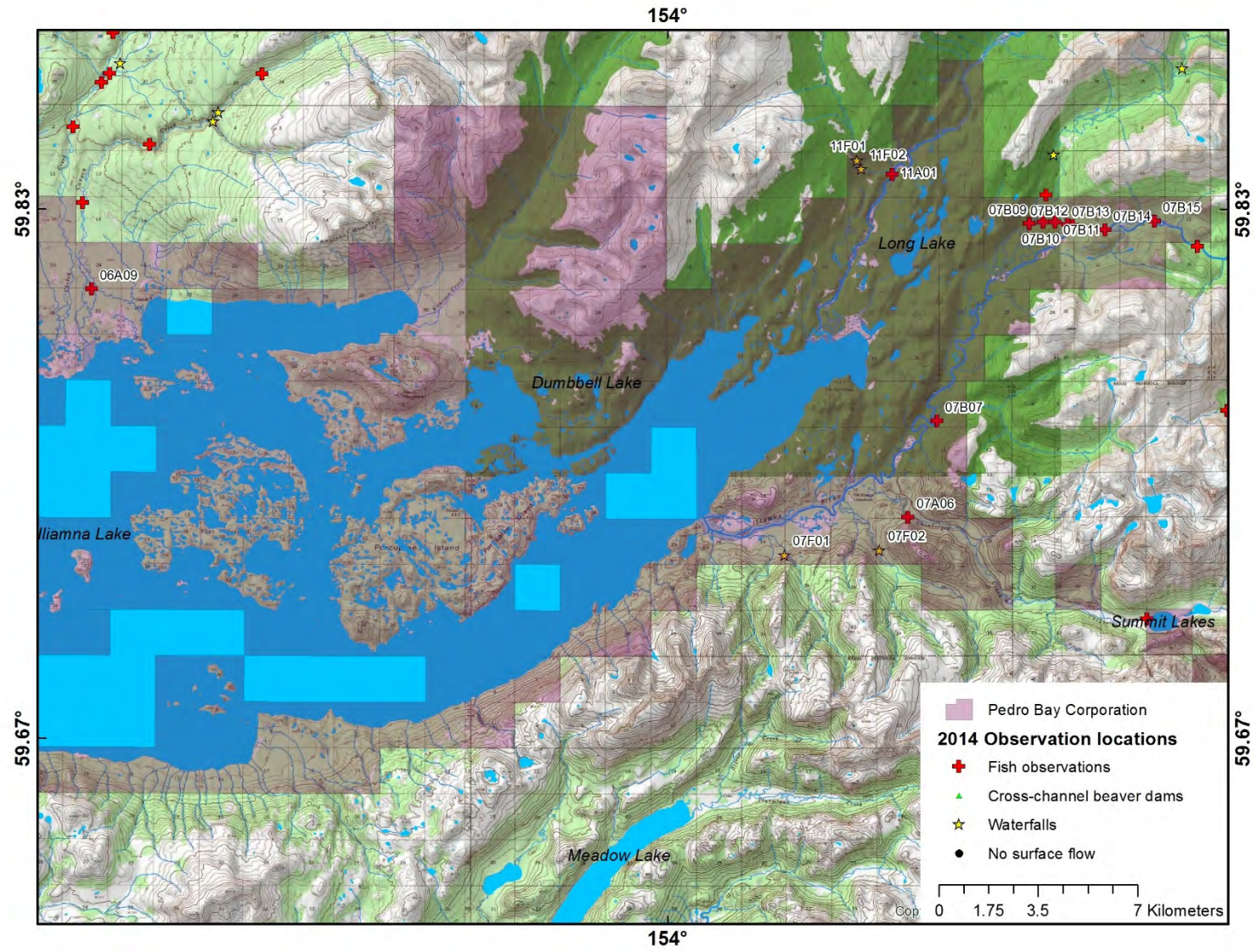


Figure 2.- Locations of waterbody observations on Pedro Bay Corporation lands.

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APPENDIX A. SITE REPORTS

Station 06A09

Survey Team: Michael Wiedmer

Date/Time: 08/14/2014 10:55 AM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 26

Point Coordinates Latitude Longitude

Datum: WGS84

(decimal degrees) 59.80824 -154.36330

Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement

USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-4

Waterbody Name: Chekok Creek

Legal Description: Section 25, T. 4 S., R. 30 W., S.M.

Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2267

Geographic Comments: As of 8/14/2014, Canyon Creek and Chekok Creek join at 59.8179, -154.37202. They do not flow in parallel channels to Iliamna Lake as shown in the current NHD. The Chekok Creek channel shifted east to merge with Canyon Creek.

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C):

DO (ppm):

Conductivity (µS/cm):

Turbidity (NTU)

pH:

Stream Stage:

Water Color:

48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A

Max. velocity (m/s):

Stream Gradient (%):

Substrates Dominant:

Subdominant:

Subdominant:

Rosgen Class: ()

Channel Dimensions (m): OHW Wetted
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only; no habitat or fish community information collected. Coordinates are on the main channel, below the confluence of Chekok and Canyon creeks. Based on the ratio of carcasses and live spawners, today appears to be very near the peak of spawning in this system. Essentially continuous spawning throughout both streams to the upstream limits of sockeye distribution. Many tens of thousands of sockeye in drainage.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	Left Bank Vegetation Type	Canopy Height (m)	Right Bank Vegetation Type	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)

EF Time (sec.)

Efficiency: N/A

Voltage (V):

Frequency (Hz)

Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: carcass sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 800 Fish Measured:

Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:

Sampling method (No. of fish): A (800)

Comments:

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 1000 Fish Measured:

Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:

Sampling method (No. of fish): A (1000)

Comments:

Station 07A06

Survey Team: Michael Wiedmer, Colin Shaney, Sue Flensburg, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 12:28 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 61	Point Coordinates	Latitude	Longitude
Datum: WGS84	(decimal degrees)	59.73661	-153.84846

Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna C-3
Waterbody Name: Chinkelyes Creek **Legal Description:** Section 15, T. 5 S., R. 27 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402-3014
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C):	DO (ppm):	Conductivity (µS/cm):	Turbidity (NTU)	pH:
Stream Stage:	Water Color:			
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A	Max. velocity (m/s):	Stream Gradient (%):		
Substrates Dominant:	Subdominant:	Subdominant:		
Rosgen Class: ()	Channel Dimensions (m):		OHW	Wetted
		Width		
		Thalweg Depth		

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of upstream-most school of adult sockeye salmon. No fish community or habitat information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vierrick et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	<u>Canopy Height (m)</u>	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	<u>Canopy Height (m)</u>
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 50 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (50)
Comments:

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Survey Team: Christine Woll, Daniel Chythlook, Keenan Troll, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 6:42 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 23 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.76703 -153.83016
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-3
Waterbody Name: **Legal Description:** Section 2, T. 5 S., R. 27 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number:
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity (µS/cm):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW** **Wetted**
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of spawning sockeye salmon in a distributary channel in the delta of this unnamed tributary to the Iliamna River. No other fish community or habitat information collected. This channel was not surveyed further upstream, so the upstream limit of sockeye salmon in this stream was not established.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Side Channel (connected to main channel at inlet and outlet)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 50 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (50)
Comments:

Species: adult sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 500 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (500)
Comments:

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Station 07B09

Survey Team: Christine Woll, Daniel Chythlook, Keenan Troll, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 1:07 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 27 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.82910 -153.77163
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-3
Waterbody Name: **Legal Description:** Section 16, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402-3025
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity (µS/cm):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW** **Wetted**
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Viereck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 600 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (600)
Comments:
Species: adult sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 250 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (250)
Comments:

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Station 07B10

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Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 32 Point Coordinates Latitude Longitude
Datum: WGS84 (decimal degrees) 59.82954 -153.76281
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-3
Waterbody Name: Iliamna River Legal Description: Section 16, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): DO (ppm): Conductivity (µS/cm): Turbidity (NTU) pH:
Stream Stage: Water Color:
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A Max. velocity (m/s): Stream Gradient (%):
Substrates Dominant: Subdominant: Subdominant:
Rosgen Class: () Channel Dimensions (m): OHW Wetted
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Viereck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) Efficiency: N/A Voltage (V): Frequency (Hz)
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon Life History: Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 200 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (200)
Comments:

Species: adult sockeye salmon Life History: Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 150 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (150)
Comments:

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Station 07B12

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Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 45 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.82880 -153.74709
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-2
Waterbody Name: Iliamna River **Legal Description:** Section 16, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity (µS/cm):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW Wetted**
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Viereck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 50 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (50)
Comments:

Species: adult sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 50 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (50)
Comments:

Station 07B12



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Station 07B13

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Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 44 Point Coordinates Latitude Longitude
Datum: WGS84 (decimal degrees) 59.82837 -153.74425
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-2
Waterbody Name: Iliamna River Legal Description: Section 16, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): DO (ppm): Conductivity (μS/cm): Turbidity (NTU) pH:
Stream Stage: Water Color:
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A Max. velocity (m/s): Stream Gradient (%):
Substrates Dominant: Subdominant: Subdominant:
Rosgen Class: () Channel Dimensions (m): OHW Wetted
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) Efficiency: N/A Voltage (V): Frequency (Hz)
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon Life History: Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 100 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (100)
Comments:
Species: adult sockeye salmon Life History: Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 300 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (300)
Comments:

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Station 07B14

Survey Team: Christine Woll, Daniel Chythlook, Keenan Troll, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 1:08 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 42 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.82706 -153.72371
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-2
Waterbody Name: Iliamna River **Legal Description:** Section 15, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402
Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity ($\mu\text{S/cm}$):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW Wetted**
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon **Life History:** Obligate anadromous population
Total Fish Observed: 125 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** **Max:** **Average:**
Sampling method (No. of fish): A (125)
Comments:

Station 07B14



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Station 07B15

Survey Team: Christine Woll, Daniel Chythlook, Keenan Troll, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 1:08 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 52 **Point Coordinates Latitude Longitude**

Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.82964 -153.69246

Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement

USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-2

Waterbody Name: Iliamna River **Legal Description:** Section 14, T. 4 S., R. 26 W., S.M.

Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402

Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): DO (ppm): Conductivity (µS/cm): Turbidity (NTU) pH:

Stream Stage: **Water Color:**

48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s): Stream Gradient (%):**

Substrates Dominant: Subdominant: Subdominant:

Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m): OHW Wetted**

Width

Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of adult sockeye salmon only, no habitat or fish community information collected.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	<u>Canopy Height (m)</u>	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	<u>Canopy Height (m)</u>
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)

EF Time (sec.) Efficiency: N/A **Voltage (V): Frequency (Hz)**

Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 100 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:**

Sampling method (No. of fish): A (100)

Comments:

Species: adult sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 200 **Fish Measured:** **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:**

Sampling method (No. of fish): A (200)

Comments:

Station 07B15



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Station 07F01

Survey Team: Michael Wiedmer, Colin Shaney, Sue Flensburg, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 12:18 PM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 64 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.72493 -153.92635
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna C-3
Waterbody Name: **Legal Description:** Section 19, T. 5 S., R. 27 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number: 324-10-10150-2402-3006
Geographic Comments: Waterfall

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity (µS/cm):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW** **Wetted**
Width
Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of a migratory barrier waterfall. No other fish community or habitat information collected. Two ~15 m falls, with substantial cascades both upstream and downstream.

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

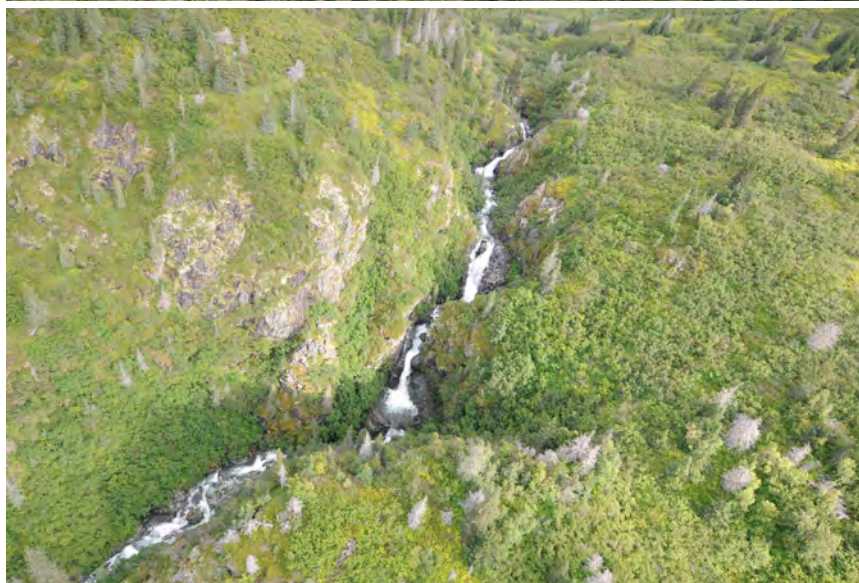
Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Station 07F01



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Station 07F02**Survey Team:** Michael Wiedmer, Colin Shaney, Sue Flensburg, Damon Allen **Date/Time:** 08/15/2014 12:23 PM**Geographic Information**

Elevation (m): 64 **Point Coordinates** **Latitude** **Longitude**
Datum: WGS84 **(decimal degrees)** 59.72631 -153.86656
Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement
USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna C-3
Waterbody Name: **Legal Description:** Section 22, T. 5 S., R. 27 W., S.M.
Anadromous Waters Catalog Number:
Geographic Comments: Waterfall

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): **DO (ppm):** **Conductivity (μS/cm):** **Turbidity (NTU)** **pH:**
Stream Stage: **Water Color:**
48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: N/A **Max. velocity (m/s):** **Stream Gradient (%):**
Substrates Dominant: **Subdominant:** **Subdominant:**
Rosgen Class: () **Channel Dimensions (m):** **OHW** **Wetted**
 Width
 Thalweg Depth

Visit Comments: Aerial observation of a migratory barrier waterfall. No other fish community or habitat information collected.**Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)**

Dist. from bank (m)	<u>Left Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)	<u>Right Bank Vegetation Type</u>	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5				
5 - 10				
10 - 20				
20 - 30				

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Helicopter (A)
EF Time (sec.) **Efficiency:** N/A **Voltage (V):** **Frequency (Hz)**
Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

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Station 11A01

Survey Team: Michael Wiedmer, Daniel Young, Olivia Olin

Date/Time: 08/20/2014 11:27 AM

Geographic Information

Elevation (m): 20

Point Coordinates Latitude Longitude

Datum: WGS84

(decimal degrees) 59.84472 -153.85806

Coordinate Determination Method: Non-Differential GPS Field Measurement

USGS Quadrangle: Iliamna D-3

Waterbody Name:

Legal Description: Section 11, T. 4 S., R. 27 W., S.M.

Anadromous Waters Catalog Number:

Geographic Comments:

Stream Characteristics

Water Temp (C): 8.05 DO (ppm): 11.91 Conductivity (µS/cm): 21 Turbidity (NTU) 0 pH: 7.0

Stream Stage: Medium

Water Color: Clear

48 hr. Precipitation/Runoff: Moderate

Max. velocity (m/s): 1.3594 Stream Gradient (%): 1

Substrates Dominant: Cobble

Subdominant: Boulder

Subdominant: Gravel

Rosgen Class: C3 (Low gradient, meandering, point-bar, riffle/pool, alluvial channels with broad, well-defined floodplains.)

Channel Dimensions (m): OHW Wetted

Width 31 20.5

Thalweg Depth 1.1 0.70

Visit Comments: Thousands of adult sockeye in tributary and at mouth. No sockeye observed on this date in the Pile River upstream of this confluence. The tributary is clear water, the Pile River is glacially turbid--sockeye spawning in glacial systems is often later than in clear water (D. Young, Lake Clark NPS).

Riparian Vegetation Communities (Vioreck et al. 1992)

Dist. from bank (m)	Left Bank Vegetation Type	Canopy Height (m)	Right Bank Vegetation Type	Canopy Height (m)
0 - 5	Closed White Spruce-Paper Birch-Balsam Poplar	11	Closed Spruce-Paper Birch Forest	11
5 - 10	Closed White Spruce-Paper Birch-Balsam Poplar	11	Closed Spruce-Paper Birch Forest	11
10 - 20	Closed White Spruce-Paper Birch-Balsam Poplar	11	Closed Spruce-Paper Birch Forest	11
20 - 30	Closed White Spruce-Paper Birch-Balsam Poplar	11	Closed Spruce-Paper Birch Forest	11

Fish Sampling Efforts

Gear Type: Portable Electrofisher (A)

EF Time (sec.) 433 Efficiency: Fair Voltage (V): 990 Frequency (Hz) 30

Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Gear Type: Visual Observation, Ground (B)

EF Time (sec.) Efficiency: N/A Voltage (V): Frequency (Hz)

Channel Type: Main Channel (>50% of water flow)

Fish Observations

Species: adult sculpin-unspecified

Life History: Resident

Total Fish Observed: 1 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:

Sampling method (No. of fish): B (1)

Comments:

Species: carcass sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 4 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:

Sampling method (No. of fish): B (4)

Comments:

Species: adult spawning sockeye salmon

Life History: Obligate anadromous population

Total Fish Observed: 500 Fish Measured: Fork Lengths (mm) Min.: Max: Average:

Sampling method (No. of fish): B (500)

Comments:

Station 11A01

Species: adult slimy sculpin

Life History: Resident

Total Fish Observed: 1 **Fish Measured:** 1 **Fork Lengths (mm) Min.:** 93 **Max:** 93 **Average:** 93

Sampling method (No. of fish): A (1)

Comments:

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