## The Klawock Lake Story

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History of a Sockeye watershed

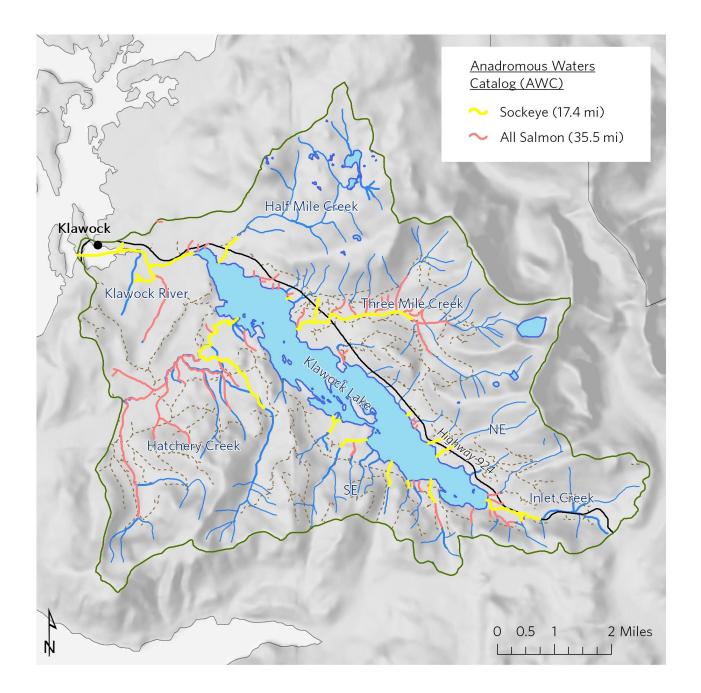
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	Klawock Watershed Condition Assessment	Technical Paper No. 308
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"Klawock Island...the old people went and scared the fish into that well that they built up with rock. They called it a fish trap. And when the water is high over the well, they chase the fish into the well. They keep in there until the tide goes out and that's the way they caught the fish a long time ago." - Clara Peratrovich, 2001



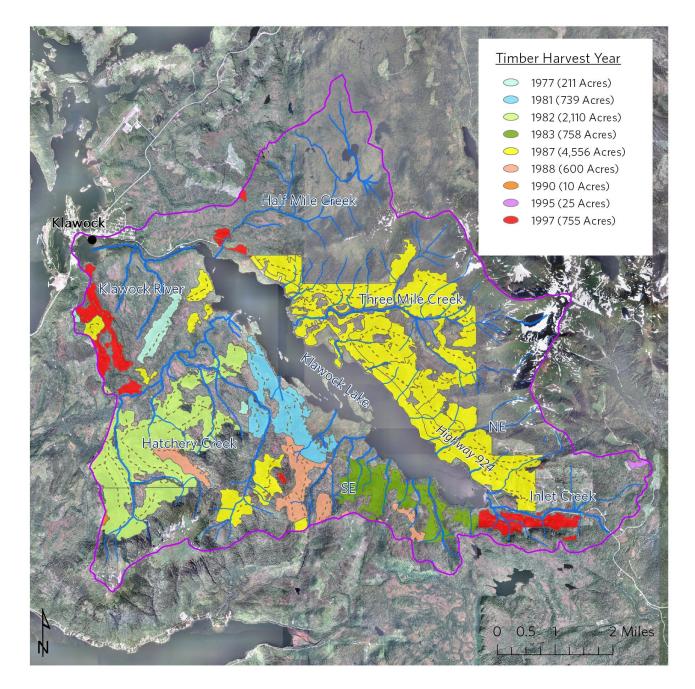


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"They put a trap right in the foot of the stream, out in the bay there and they put a standing trap there and a lot of fish went into the trap. Klawock stream was noted for abundance of fish: humpies, sockeyes, dogs and cohos. It depleted after that."

- Richard Carl, Sr. (2002)





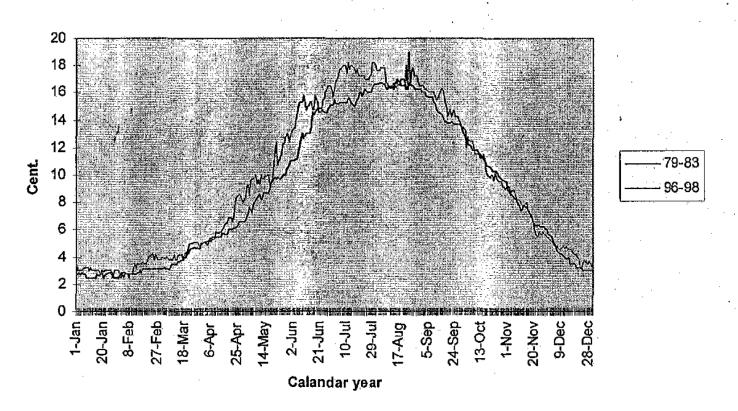
"I was really amazed when they logged around the lake. Klawock Lake has always been a good producer and I'm sure it has an affect on the temperature of the water, the run off...and I'm sure it has an affect on the runs."

• Klawock elder, 2002



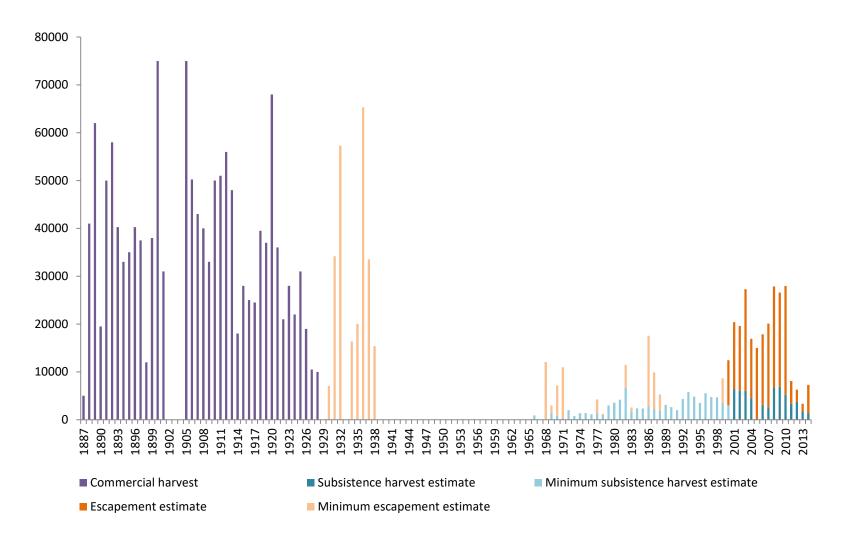
- "It seems like it was a thoroughfare for the fish. Fish would swim down there and...there was seals and killer whales that would come in and herd the fish in."
- Eileen Smith-Harmon 2001

Average Lake Temperatures Klawock Lake

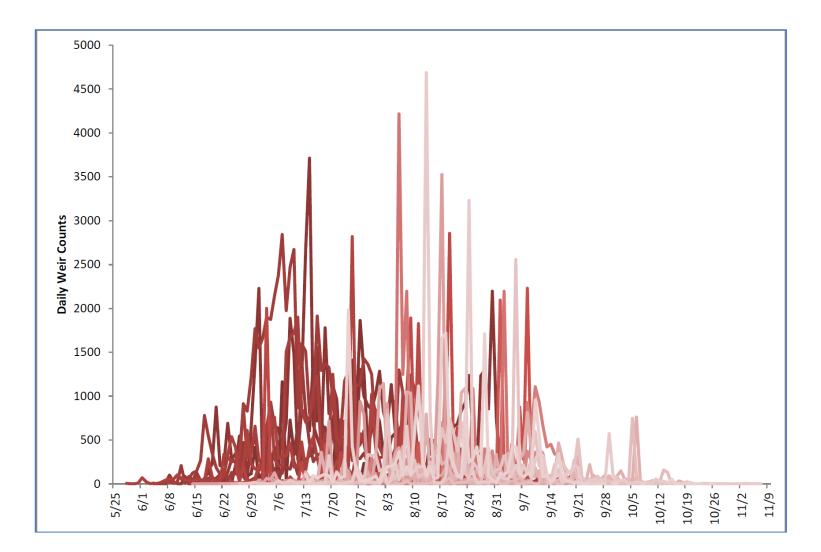


• "It's growing into the river, which means there's a source for it. That must be up in the lake."

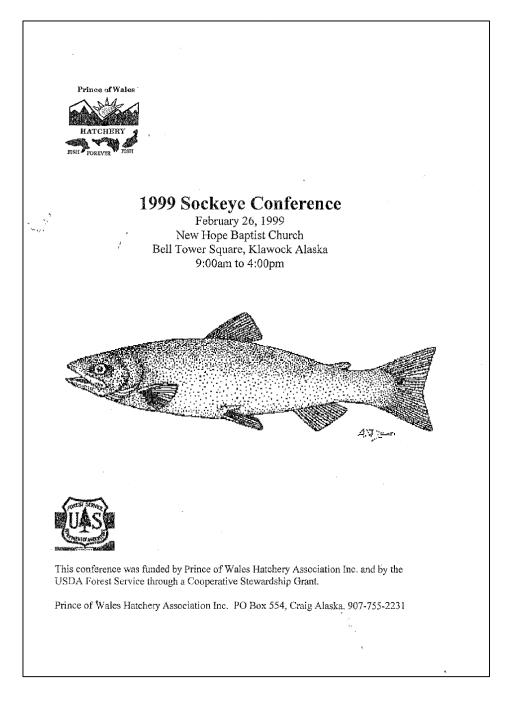
*Cliff Douville, 2002* 

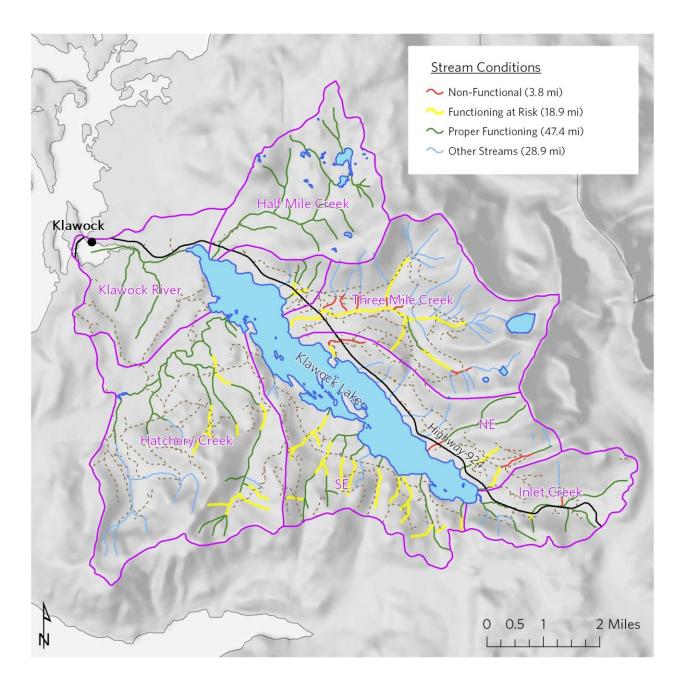


"I remember we used to just let [the net] go and just bring it in a little bit and we'd be pursing up already. I remember watching my dad doing that. They'd just make a set and bring it in about 20 fathoms or something and purse up. Get a few hundred in one set and call it a day. They wouldn't even see a jump. They'd just go set." – Dennis Nickerson, 2001



"The people used to go up from May. This place use to be full of sockeyes from May. "– Klawock elder, 2002

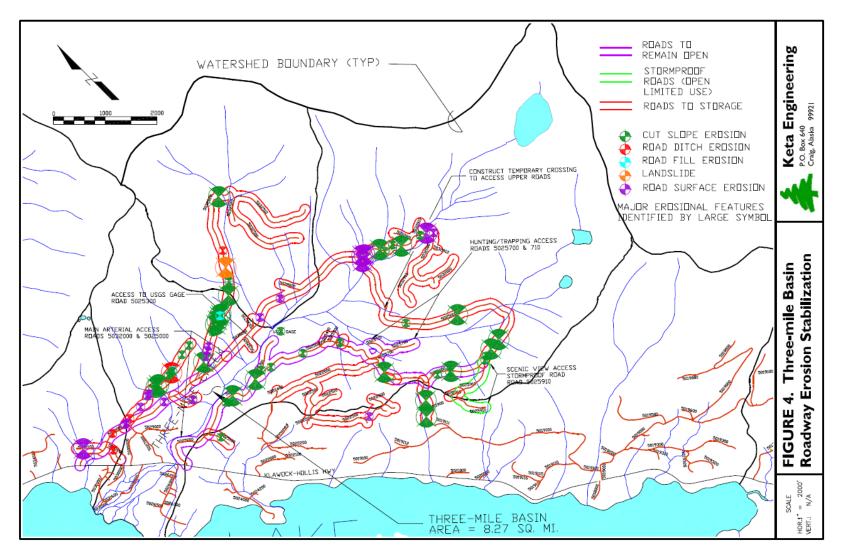


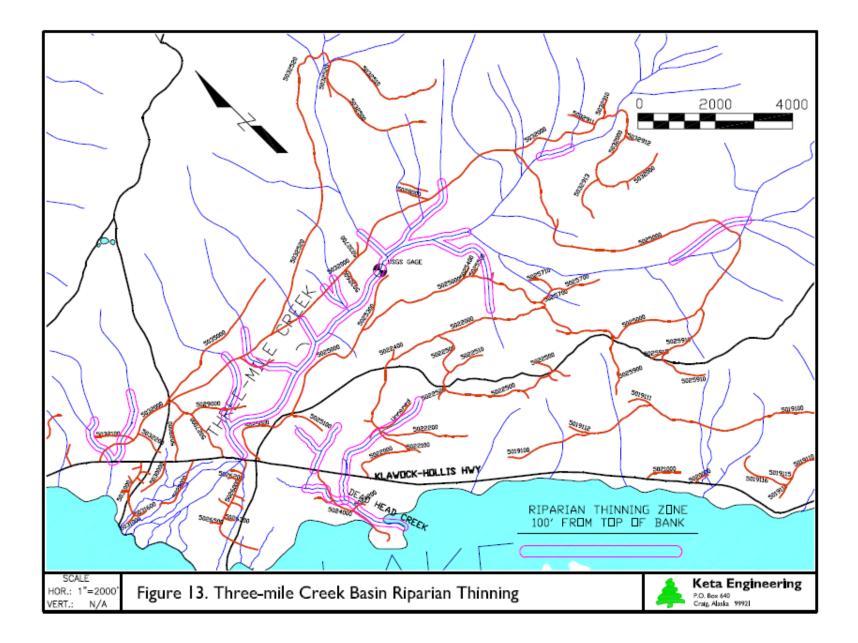


"Several factors were identified as limiting watershed functionality, including lack of large woody debris, inadequate riparian vegetation (structure and composition), and excessive channel erosion and deposition. " - Klawock watershed assessment

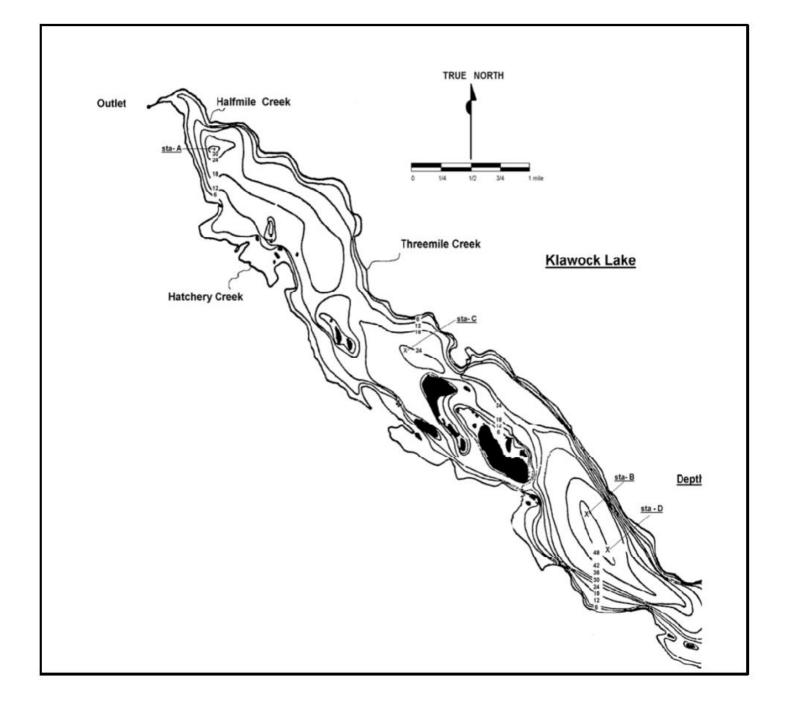
"Habitat restoration opportunities related to stream and road interactions, habitat connectivity, fish passage, large woody debris placement and riparian silviculture were identified as components that will move the watershed towards a more functional condition. "

- Klawock watershed assessment



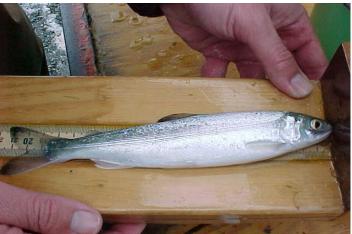












*"It's not people fishing here that's killing it off. It's the hatchery. They're creating coho. Coho is a voracious killer."* 

• Contemporary harvester, 2001

"You take care of your family, and your extended family, and the elders that don't have family to get fish for them. We make sure that people who need it, and make sure the elders got their fish.."

Contemporary harvester, 2002