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To read at IF4 film festival - Invitation to join Embrace-a-Stream project

The Kenai Peninsula Chapter of Trout Unlimited has partnered with Kenai Watershed Forum on an exciting new initiative. Join us to help with fieldwork next summer and you can play a role in protecting local salmon habitat.

In this joint project we are visiting streams, rivers, and lakes in our area that are not yet in the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game's, "Anadromous Waters Catalog," which is the map of known wild salmon habitat. Waters that are documented as "anadromous" can be subject to special conservation protections. Alaska has over 20,000 known streams, rivers, and lakes where wild salmon are found, but this is only a fraction of actual anadromous waters throughout the state. The more places we can document where salmon live, the more habitat we can help protect.

We are using minnow traps to document juvenile salmon, and relying on skilled TU volunteers to help us catch and photograph adult fish. This Fall we visited three sites, and next summer we'll be visiting five additional ones. If you're interested in joining, all you need is a positive attitude and a willingness to do some bushwhacking. To find out more about opportunities to join our work please contact Benjamin Meyer at ben@kenaiwatershed.org or (907) 232-0280.

Thank you!