YEAR STREAM (GAZETTED NAME) 1998 PUNTLEDGE RIVER

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# Annual Report of Salmon Streams and Spawning Populations

## STREAM IDENTIFICATION

Area: 14 Distri	ct: <b>03</b> Sub: <b>14N</b>	Comox	INSPE	CTION I	DATES		
1st Local Name:			Aug 15	Sep 01	Oct 01	Nov 01	Dec 01
2nd Local Name:			-				
Flows Into:	COMOX HARBOUR	R					
Latitude:	49 40 48	Longitude: 124 58 32	CONTI	NUOUS	Start da	te	
Field Crew:	Hatchery Staff		С	OUNTS	End da	te	

DET	ΑI	LS	AFFEC	TING ES	CAPE	MENT E	STIMAT	ION (5)ESC	APEMENT EST	IMATION CON	MENTS 🗸
Sp	R U N		(1) Methods	%Spawn habitat surveyed	(2) Rel	(3) Enum Class	Esc Code	(4) Est. total adults	Brood stock removals	Jacks	Escapement Goal
SK	1			0		0	N.O.				
SK	2			0		0	N.O.				
CO	1		2,3,9	10	4	3	A.C.	4,200	3,400		
CO	2			0		0	N.O.				
PK	1		2,3	70	3	3	A.C.	10,000			
PK	2			0		0	N.O.				
CM	1		2,9	70	3	3	A.C.	190,000	5,000		
CM	2			0		0	N.O.				
CN	1		1,2,9	40	5	3	A.C.	235	246		
CN	2		2,3,9	10	5	3	A.C.	315	360		
ST	1			0		0	A.P.				
ST	2			0		0	N.O.				
AT	1			0		0	N.O.				
AT	2			0		0	N.O.			<u> </u>	
CT	1			0		0	N.I.			<u> </u>	
CT	2			0		0	N.I.				
TR	1			0		0	N.I.				
TR	2			0		0	N.I.				

SP		NING RUN		ī .		` '		TS ON RUN TIMING	
٥.,	R U		ival				Spawning		
Sp	N N	in St	ream	St	art	Pe	eak	E	nd
		Month	Day	Month	Day	Month	Day	Month	Day
011									
SK									
SK									
CO	1	Sep	1-10	Nov	1-10	Nov	11-20	Dec	11-20
CO	2								
PΚ	1	Aug	1-10	Aug	11-20	Aug	21-31	Sep	1-10
PΚ	2								
СМ	1	Oct	11-20	Oct	11-20	Nov	1-10	Nov	21-31
СМ	2								
CN	1	May	21-31	Sep	21-31	Oct	11-20	Oct	21-31
CN	2	Sep	1-10	Oct	1-10	Oct	11-20	Oct	21-31
ST	1								
ST	2								
ΑТ	1								
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СТ	1								
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TR	1								
TR	2								

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## UNUSUAL CONDITIONS IN STREAM COURSE OR SPAWNING GROUNDS

(7) Ennancement	or intense biological	activities			
(8) Unusual morta	alities				
(9) Upslope instal	•				
	present which could	become a debris tor	rent		
(11) Severe bank					
, , ,	of spawning habitat o	•			
Unusual (13) Drou	ıght   ✓ (14) or Floc	od impacts on	spawning or egg incub	ation success of salmor	n this year
	COMMENTS ON UNU	JSUAL CONDITION	S		
RECOMMENDAT					
(16) Fish access			(17) Spawning site cor		
(18) Augmentatio	n of flows		(19) Other suggestions		
BIOLOGICAL DE	TAILS				
Particulars of distribu		non over the stream	bed:		
				ve spawned repeatedl	y in the same
gravel below the ha	tchery.Otherwise n	ormal distribution a	assumed.		
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	Juvenil Juvenile studies	les present?  performed?	CO PK	CM	CN
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### COMMENTS ON CONDITIONS AFFECTING THIS STREAM AND ESCAPEMENT ESTIMATES

A copy of the BC16 form was presented to the Hatchery Staff. The following was all the information offered. No comments were supplyed re: derivation of numbers, habitat concerns or community issues.

- (4) Describe basis for estimating total adults CO Run 1: 400 transported to the Cruikshank River.
- (4) Describe basis for estimating total adults PK Run 1: 5000 above the fence and 5000 below

4000 Chum were trucked live to the Tsolum River

- (4) Describe basis for estimating total adults CN Run 1: This is the summer run.
- Of the 246 Summer Run Cn brood stock 36 were jacks.
- (4) Describe basis for estimating total adults CN Run 2: This is the Fall Run. Of the 360 Fall Run brood stock 69 were jacks.
- (5) General Comments on Escapement Estimation: Fence in operation from the first week of August to the middle of December.
- (7) Enhancements: A seal predation fence was installed at the 17th Street Bridge. After much study it was found overall to be unsuccessful and was removed around the beginning of Sept. A number of seals were culled this year near the fence but the number was fewer than last year.
- (13) Drought: Lake water approached a critical level during fall migration. Water temperatures would have been adversely affected during summer and early fall.
- (20a) Predator counts by date and predator type: Seals remain a problem to this system, especially the Cn and Sthd runs. (20) On Salmon Distribution or Predator Interactions: The river below the diversion dam and all its tributarys were declared a No Fishing area.

Eli Rosengard / Patrolman	
Person Preparing Report	Signature

#### EXPLANATION OF MULTI-LEVEL VARIABLES RELATED TO ESCAPEMENT

- (1) Method codes: (1) bank walk; (2) stream walk; (3) snorkel; (4) boat; (5) plane; (6) helicopter; (7) redd counts; (8) dead pitch; (9) strip counts; (10) other; (11) Fence.
- (2) Reliability codes: Low -> 1 2 3 4 5 <- High
- (3) Enumeration class: (0) Not available; (1) Absolute abundance; (2) Relative: constant multi-year methods; (3) Relative: varying multi-years methods; (4) Presence/absence; (5) No survey this year.
- Escapement codes: (N.O.) stream inspected but None Observed; (U.K.) number UnKnown; (N.I.) stream Not Inspected; (N.S.) species does Not Spawn in this system; (A.P.) Adults Present; (A.C.) Adult Count.

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