

**SITE NUMBER:** CW-R4-03  
**LOCAL NAME:** Mink Creek #2  
**WRIA:**

**NORTH COAST OFF CHANNEL SITE INVENTORY DATA**

**RIVER SYSTEM:** Clearwater **DATE:** 5/25/88 **OBSERVER:** Nettrin

**CHANNEL TYPE:** Small terrace trib (wall based)

**TRIBUTARY TO:** Clearwater River (21.0024)

**SITE LOCATION:** River mile - 10.6 R.B.

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:**

	<b>UPPER END</b>	<b>LOWER END</b>
<b>WATER TEMP.:</b>	52 F	51 F (River = 50 F)
<b>AIR TEMP.:</b>	55 F	55 F
<b>FLOW (CFS):</b>	N/A	20-30 gal/min

**SUBSTRATE TYPE:** Silt.

**SITE SIZE:** Length- 300 m  
Width- 3-6 ft  
Depth- 4-8 inches.

**WATER SOURCE:** Springs.

**DIRECTIONS TO SITE:** Head north on Highway 101. Turn right 0.9 miles beyond mile post 146 onto the Clearwater Rd. Proceed north 8.4 miles until coming to the Shale Creek bridge. Stay to the left (C-2000) as the road forks just beyond Shale Creek. Continue another 0.9 miles until coming to the Gross bridge (crosses the Clearwater at RM 12.3). Turn left about 0.3 miles north of the bridge onto the C-2100. Then follow site direction map. (An alternate route is also available to this site via the K-1000. See CW-R4-01.)

**FISH ACCESS AND CURRENT USE:** No fry were observed. Appears that fish would only have access to this trib during high flows.

**FLOODING POTENTIAL:** Moderate.

**LANDOWNER:** Unknown at this time. Probably ITT Rayonier.

**COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:** This channel appears very similar to channel CW-R4-02 (Mink Creek #1). The lower 40m, which runs through a buffer strip along the right bank of the Clearwater, is deeply incised. Just upstream of the buffer strip the channel is choked with old logging debris. Two problems exist near the mouth. First, the trib runs across a wide gravel bar just before it enters the river. This results in a braided flow. Second, just prior to reaching the gravel bar the trib filters through a mass of tree roots. Fry were seen milling around below this root mass. If these problem can be remedied, CW-R4-03 appears to have excellent potential for beaded channel construction. A small valley wall trib (20/30 gal/min) runs off the terrace wall about 50m upstream of CW-R4-03. This small trib runs out on the valley floor and dries up. A relatively inexpensive ditch could divert this water into channel CW-R4-03.

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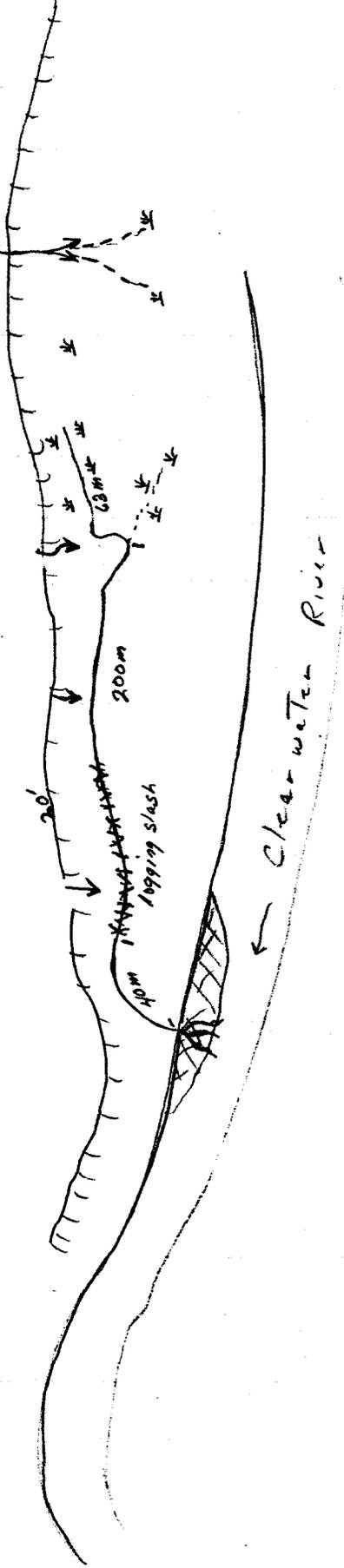
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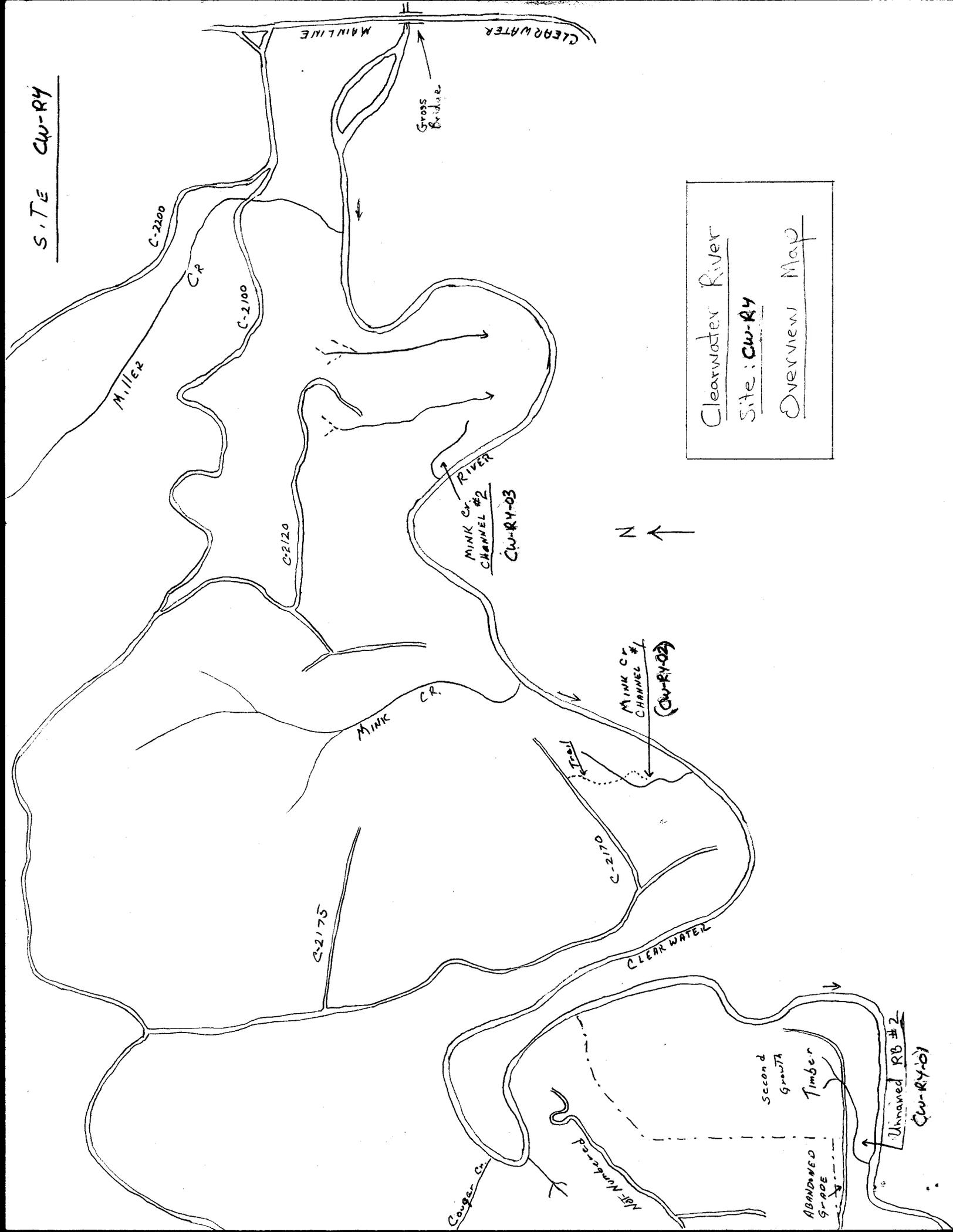
Channel CW-R4-03

Mink Cr. #2

Small  
Valley Wall  
Trip.



SITE CW-R4



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Overview Map

