SITE NUMBER: H-461L-01 (was H-R12-03)
LOCAL NAME: Dismal Marsh
WRIA: 20.0461C

NORTH COAST OFF CHANNEL SITE INVENTORY DATA

RIVER SYSTEM: Hoh **DATE:** 1/7/88 **OBSERVER:** Young

CHANNEL TYPE: Terrace tributary (spring fed)

TRIBUTARY TO: Dismal Creek (20.0461)

SITE LOCATION: LB @ River mile - 0.2

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

	UPPER END	LOWER END
DISSOLVED OXYGEN:	(No D.O. data was taken on this date.)	
WATER TEMP.:	50 F	42 F
AIR TEMP.:	(Air temps were not recorded)	
FLOW (CFS):	< 0.25	< 0.25

SUBSTRATE TYPE: Sand,silt and mud. Marsh grass in the upper 2/3.

SITE SIZE: **Length**- About 840 m (Estimated from aerial photo)
Width- 8- 15 ft (May be wider in the marsh area)
Depth- 4-6 inches (possibly deeper in marsh)

WATER SOURCE: Spring water which emanates from the base of a 20 ft terrace wall running just south of and parallel to the Upper Hoh Rd.

DIRECTIONS TO SITE: North on Hwy 101. Turn right between mile post 178 & 179 onto the Upper Hoh Valley Rd. Follow this road until coming to the Westward Hoh Resort (about 6 mi.). Continue east crossing the Rock Cr. and Tower Cr. bridges. The road enters a large clearcut area about 1 mi. east of Tower Cr. The road crosses Dismal Creek about 0.3 mi. into the clearcut. H-461L-01 is located east of Dismal Cr. and 0.2 miles south of the Upper Hoh Rd.

FISH ACCESS AND CURRENT USE: None observed. A beaver dam just below the mouth of H-461L-01 (in Dismal Cr.) may restrict juvenile access.

FLOODING POTENTIAL: Low.

LANDOWNER: Unknown at this time.

COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS: H-461L-01 and H-461L-02 originate from basically the same source (a series of springs at the base of the terrace) but enter Dismal Cr about 0.2 mile apart. H-461L-01 tends to run along the south side of the wall-based marsh while H-461L-02 runs along its north side. Dredging of this common, shallow marsh could greatly improve its rearing potential. The springs seem to provide a good supply of water. May also consider routing water through the adjacent gravel pits.

DATE: 1/12/89 **OBSERVER:**

Passage problems exist at the gravel pit road crossing, at a debris jam in the lower end of the channel, and at a large beaver dam in Dismal creek just below the mouth of this channel (the beaver dam was pulled on this date). Significant ponded water occurs in this channel due in part to the blockages. Flows seem low. No fish were observed.

Site: H-R12

Overview Map

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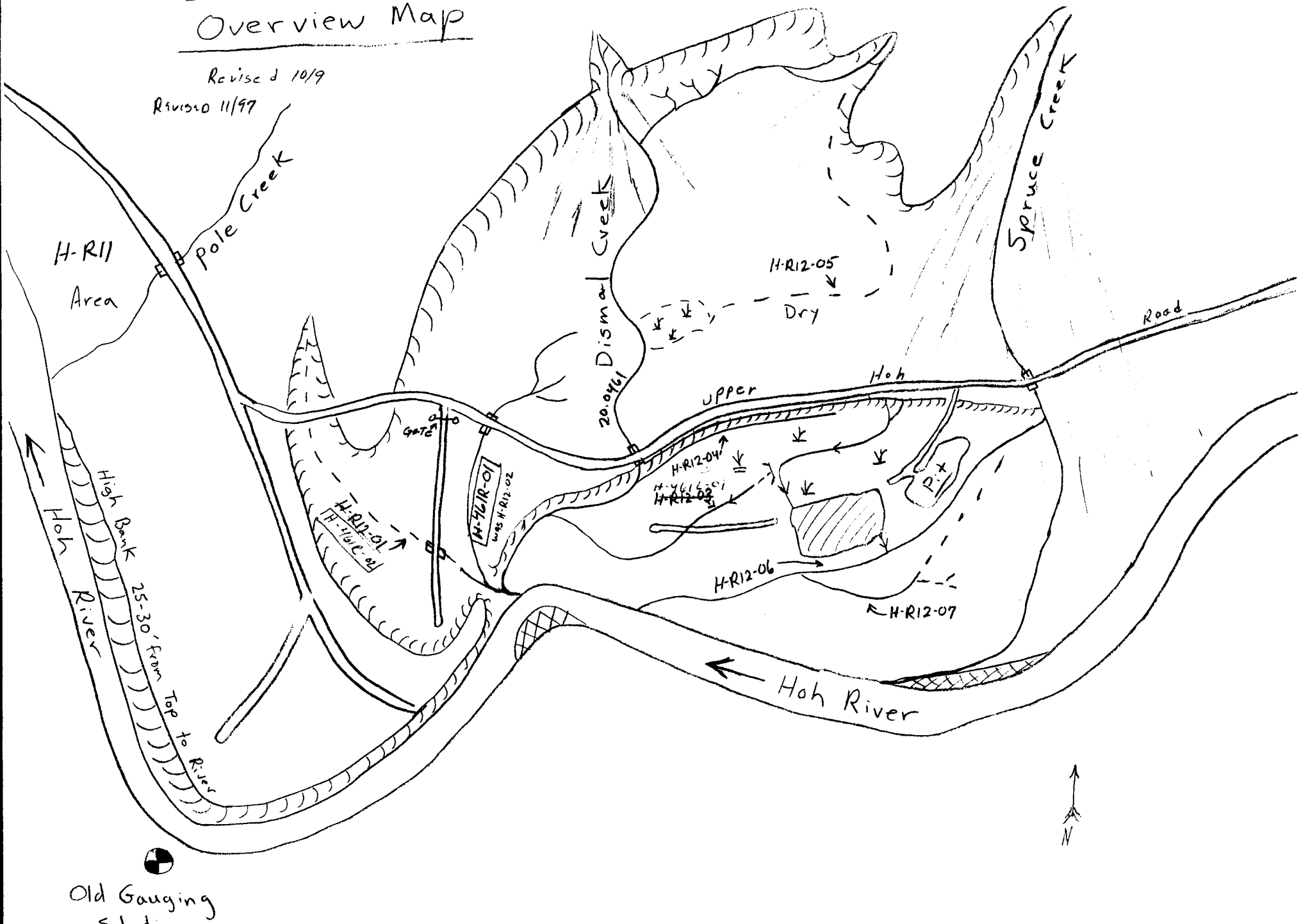
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