

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

STREAM SURVEY

FILE FORM

No.....

NAME..... RAMON CREEKCOUNTY..... MENDOCINO

STREAM SECTION.....FROM..... MouthTO..... HeadquartersLENGTH..... 4 miles
entire

TRIBUTARY TO..... South Fork of Big RiverTwp..... 16NR..... 15WSec..... 2

OTHER NAMES..... UnknownRIVER SYSTEM..... Big River

SOURCES OF DATA..... Field Notes

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EXTENT OF OBSERVATION: This stream was walked out from the mouth upstream to its headwaters by Gailand Hann on August 11, 1959.

LOCATION: Rises on the western slope of Greenough ridge, and flows in a westernly direction and enters the S. F. Big River rear Clark Opening.

RELATION TO OTHER WATERS: This stream is a good spawning tributary for migrating steelhead of the South Fork of the Big River,

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Watershed: The Ranon Greek watershed is located in Mendocino County, California, It is about twenty miles west of Ukiah, Immediate Drainage Basin: The basin is primarily a moderate steep, small V shaped canyon running through heavily timbered country which made up of primarily redwood, oak, ferns, alders and brush. The area was apparently logged over some fifty years or more ago.

Gradient: The gradient is moderate without any cascading except in the extreme headwaters.

Depth: An average estimated depth of five inches.

Flow: An average estimated flow of 1/4 of 1 cfs.

Velocity: Slow

Bottom: The bottom is primarily composed of gravel with some bedrock, sand, and some organic debris.

Spawning areas: Averages about 75% of the stream is extremely good for spawning fish.

Pools: Good development Up to 3 ft deep and to 15 ft long by 10 ft wide.

Shelter: Fair to Good - overhanging trees, log jams - undercut banks and some large boulders..

Barriers: (See map and barrier descriptions attached).

Diversions: None

Food: Common, Diptera, Hemiptera, Hymenoptera, Odonata, Lepidoptera and Neutcoptera.

Temperatures: The water temperature ranged from 55 to 59 degrees with an average of 57 degrees, (Average air temperature 64 degrees),

Aquatic Plants: No aquatic plants were noted.

Winter Conditions: This tributary undoubtedly sustains heavy runoff during the winter period for scouring and erosion was noted.

Pollution: None noted.

Springs: Abundant.

FISHES PRESENT AND SUCCESS: Only one species of fish were noted. This was steelhead fingerlings ranging from 1-1/2 inches to 4 inches in length. These fish were fairly abundant.

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OTHER VERTEBRATES: Frogs and Calif. Newts were common.
 FISHING INTENSITY: None
 OTHER RECREATIONAL USE: None
 ACCESSIBILITY: The mouth of this stream is accessible by 4 wheel drive vehicle from the Orr Springs road out of Ukiah to Laylton Sky Ranch, then down a four wheel drive road to the S. F, Big River and the mouth of Ramon Greek is about 100 yards upstream,
 OWNERSHIP: Private - Ownership not known.
 POSTED OR OPEN: Posted.
 IMPROVEMENTS: None noted.
 PAST STOCKING: None.
 GENERAL ESTIMATE: Ramon Greek is an excellent small coastal anadromous fish stream.
 RECOMMENDED MANAGEMENT: Removal of log jams.
 SKETCH MAP: See attached.