



State of Alaska  
Department of Fish and Game  
Sportfish Division

Nomination Form  
Anadromous Waters Catalog

Region Southcentral

USGS Quad(s) CORDOVA D-2

Anadromous Waters Catalog Number of Water Body 212-20-10080-2090-3005

Name of Water Body \*Big Rig Creek ☐ USGS Name ☒ Local Name

☒ Addition ☐ Deletion ☐ Correction ☒ Backup Information

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Nomination # <u>24-950</u>	<u>Adam Reimer</u> Fisheries Scientist Date <u>12-16-2024</u>
Revision Year: <u>2025</u>	<u>Ron Benkert</u> Habitat Operations Manager Date <u>12/4/2024</u>
Revision to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Atlas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Catalog	<u>Chris Kiefer</u> AWC Project Biologist Date <u>20 Nov 2024</u>
Revision Code: <u>A-2d, E-9, F-1</u>	<u>Duncan Green</u> GIS Analyst Date <u>12/20/24</u>

OBSERVATION INFORMATION

Species	Date(s) Observed	Spawning	Rearing	Present	Anadromous
Dolly Varden	07/29/2024		✓	✓	✓

~ADD new AWC Stream #212-20-10080-2090-3005 "\*\*Big Rig Creek" with Dolly Varden REARING.

~ADD barrier above new AWC Stream #212-20-10080-2090-3005 "\*\*Big Rig Creek".

Comments:

See observer comments on page 2.  
Coordinates (Lat,Long): Upper(60.850865,-144.400505) Lower(60.849951,-144.402261)

Name of Observer (please print): Duncan Green  
Signature: 10.231.39.10 (Web Nomination) Date: 10/10/2024  
Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: 333 Raspberry Rd.  
Anchorage, AK 99518

This certifies that in my best professional judgment and belief the above information is evidence that this waterbody should be included in or

\*Observations in this nomination also provide back-up supporting information for Dolly Varden presence in AWC Stream #212-20-10080-2090 "Wernicke River".



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Revision Year: <u>2025</u>	<del>Habitat Operations Manager</del>	<del>Date</del>
Revision to: Atlas _____ Catalog _____ Both <u>X</u>	<del>AWC Project Biologist</del>	<del>Date</del>
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**Site Information** Station: FSCB2334A02 Date Observed: 7/29/2024 Legal Desc.: \_\_\_\_\_ Latitude: \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude: \_\_\_\_\_ Datum: \_\_\_\_\_

Up Stream 60.85087 -144.40051 WGS84

Down Stream 60.84995 -144.40226 WGS84

**Station Comments:** Tributary to Wernicke River. Lower reach is within delta and in Wernicke floodplain. Upstream stream is constricted by rock walls and higher gradient.

**Life History:** Anadromous

Species\LifeStage: Dolly Varden adult

Sampling Method (No. of fish): PEF (3)

Species\LifeStage: Dolly Varden juvenile

Sampling Method (No. of fish): PEF (35)

**Life History:** Resident

Species\LifeStage: slimy sculpin juvenile/adult

Sampling Method (No. of fish): PEF (1)

Species\LifeStage: round whitefish adult

Sampling Method (No. of fish): PEF (1)

**Key to Sample Method**

(PEF) Backpack Electrofisher

**Additional Comments:** Add Dolly Varden rearing to upstream waypoint 34A02UPDV (60.850865, -144.400505), where six juvenile Dolly Varden were collected via backpack electrofisher. Add Dolly Varden presence to downstream waypoint 34A02MOUTH (60.849951, -144.402261), where three adult Dolly Varden were collected at the mixing line with the Wernicke River.

Name of Observer: Duncan Green, Fish & Wildlife Technician 3

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Printed: 10/10/2024

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Alaska Department of Fish & Game, Sport Fish - RTS  
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Signature of Area Biologist: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_





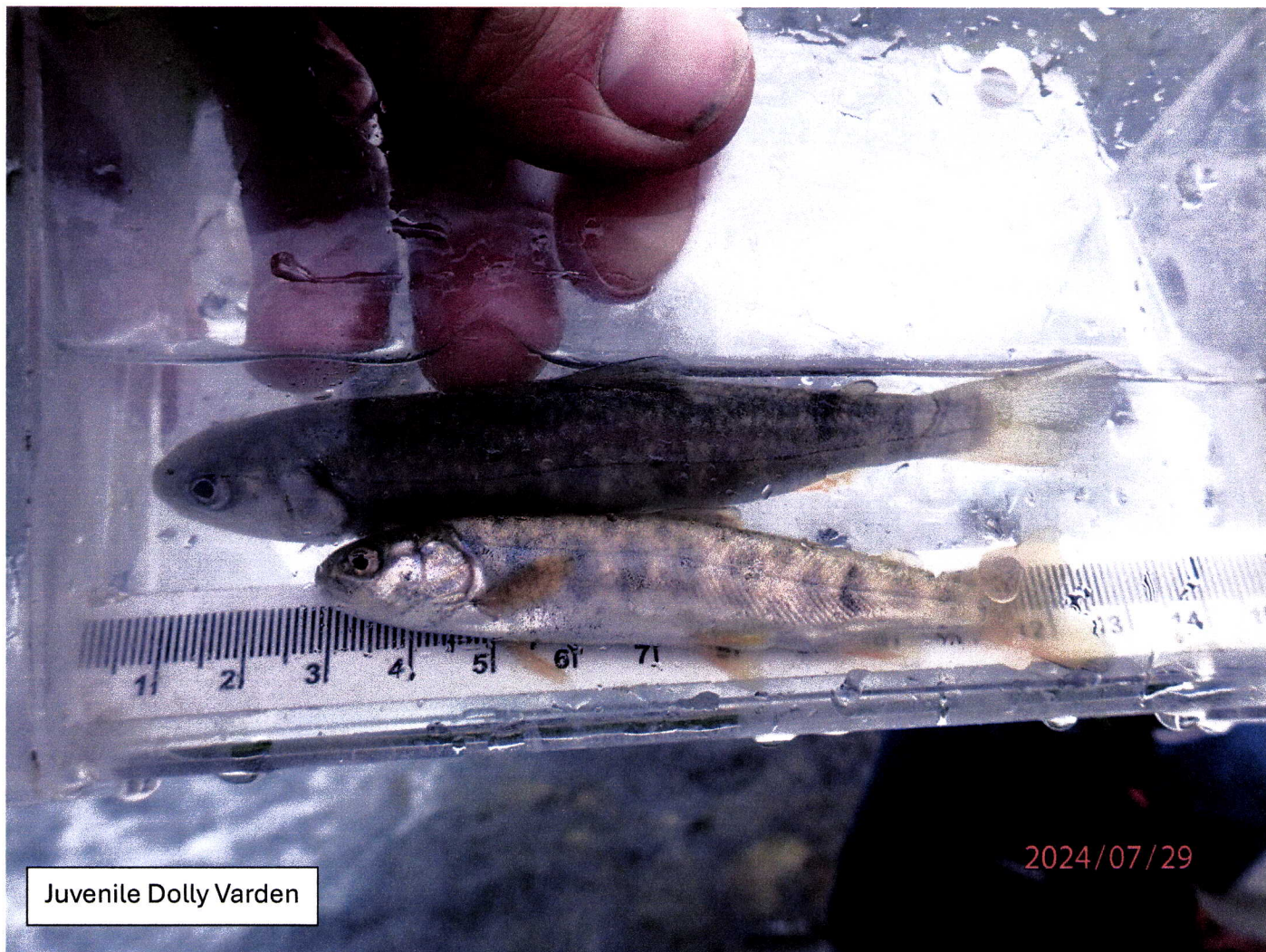




Adult Dolly Varden







Juvenile Dolly Varden

2024/07/29



**From:** [Green, Duncan G \(DFG\)](#)  
**To:** [Giefer, Joe \(DFG\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Cathcart, Charles N \(DFG\)](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Nom 24-950 (34A04) - Falls?  
**Date:** Friday, November 8, 2024 10:28:36 AM  
**Attachments:** [image003.png](#)  
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It looks like we didn't get a good aerial shot of it, and yes, the waypoint was taken from the air. The whole dogleg was a series of cascades with a ~10m falls at the bottom, so I would place the barrier around the blue line I marked on this screenshot.



**From:** Giefer, Joe (DFG) <joe.giefer@alaska.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 8, 2024 10:19 AM  
**To:** Green, Duncan G (DFG) <duncan.green@alaska.gov>  
**Cc:** Cathcart, Charles N (DFG) <nate.cathcart@alaska.gov>  
**Subject:** Nom 24-950 (34A04) - Falls?

Another falls here? Assume this waypoint was taken from the air? Any aerial photos or additional comments we can include that would help me refine the placement? Should it be just above the dogleg section or in the middle of it?





Thanks,

**Joe Giefer**

Habitat Biologist III

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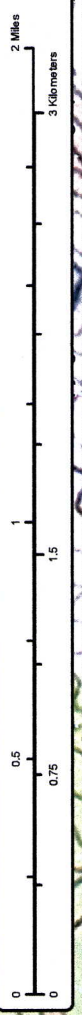
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**\*See Also Norm's  
#24-946 and 24-949\***

**\*\*\*Important\*\* Process  
Nom #24-949 first\*\***



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Nov #24-950



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CORDOVA D-1

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Southcentral

34A02A BARRIER

DVT  
UPPER

34A02DN2

34A02UPD1

34A02UP2

34A02MOUTH

212-20-10080-2090-3005

LOWER

212-20-10080-2090

COP:SP  
MIDE

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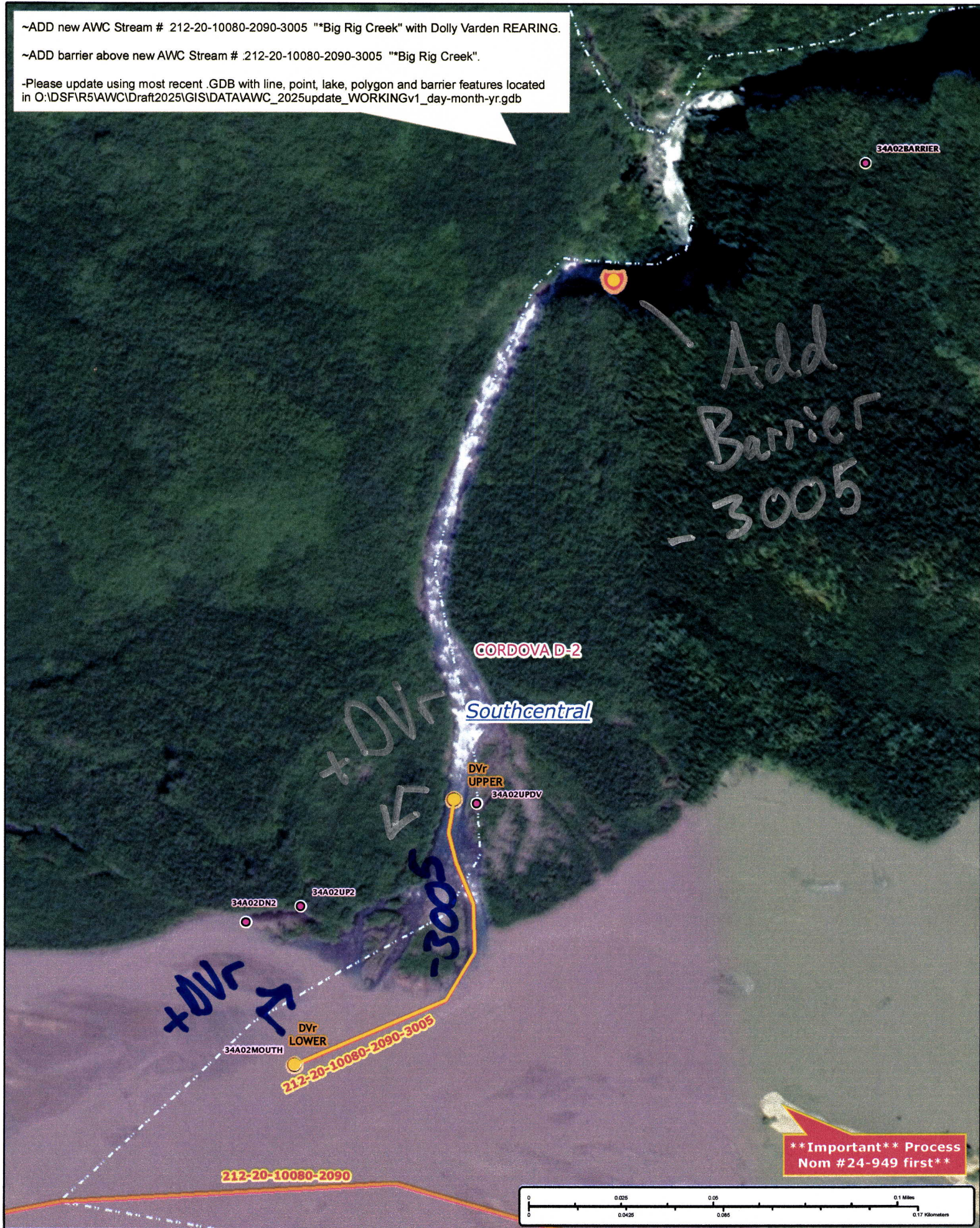
Map #2



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Map #3