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Comments: Hello;

I have walked up Gold Creek and snorkeled it in the past. I recall how it would dry up and strand fish. It seemed the water was subbing out under the extra gravel.

In the past I've helped with riparian restoration projects. Like over at Potlatch. Its interesting as after the culvert was pulled out and connection 'restored' the water again subbed out becaues it would drain down through the gravels and not offer habitat. Everybody does their best right? Who could have predicted that?

Well I think they had to tear everything out and lay down a layer of 4" clay as an underlying layer. This did seem to perc the water on top, so that fish could use it. I've been back and so pleased to see the chum moving up that creek where they laid down a hard clay underlayment.

I didn't see this as an option for Gold Creek. Can you explain why this was not considered? You could consider adding a layer of hard clay that does not release fines sediment and allow water to perch on top. Water can be perched and still provide habitat. What else could ever work?