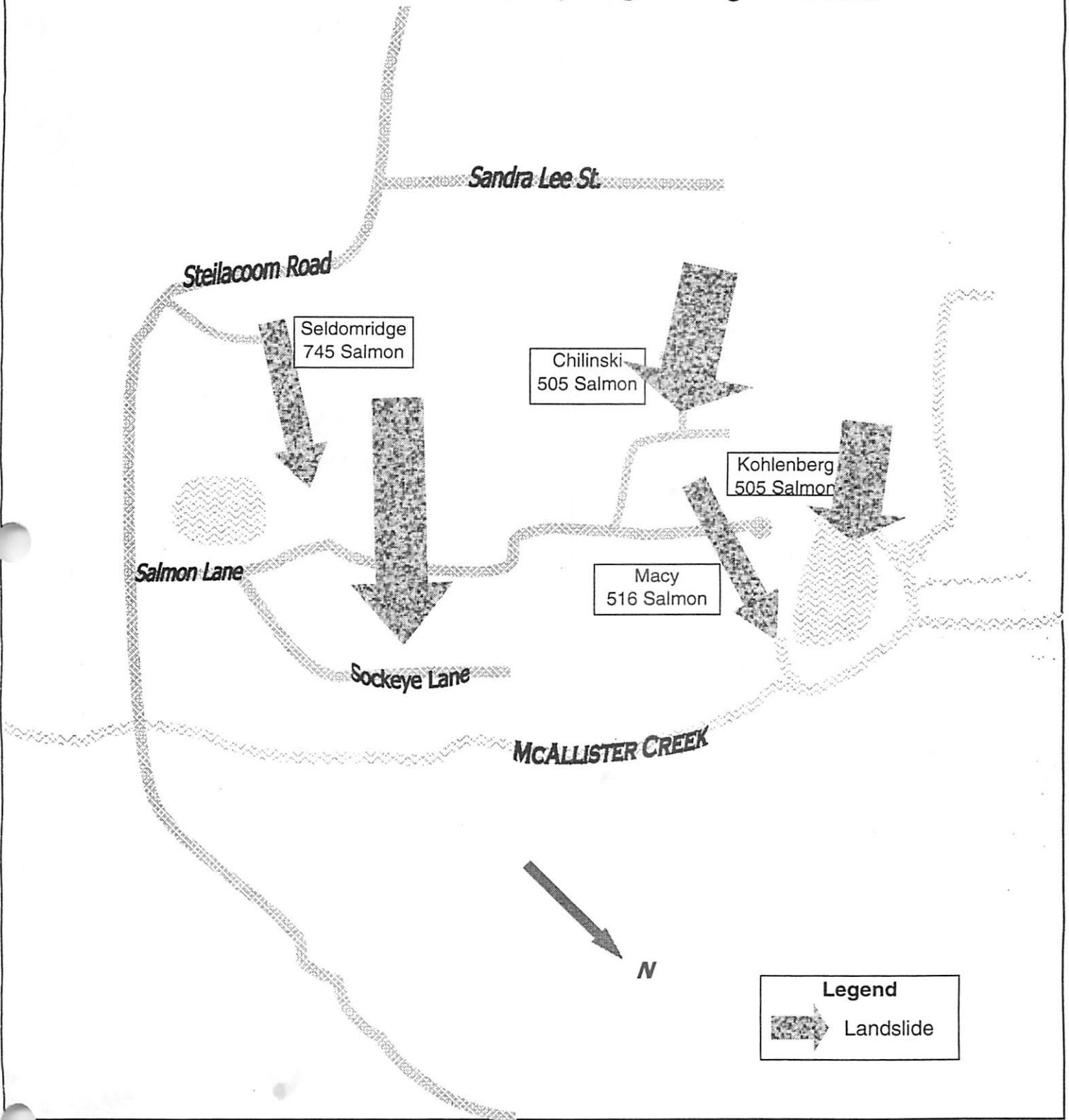


Landslides, February 1996 McAllister Creek and Nisqually Heights Neighborhoods





Chilinski: This house is located partway up Nisqually Bluff. The landslide began partway up the slope, and came down into the driveway, coming within a foot of the bedroom.







On the bluff: These landslides also occurred up and down the bluff that day. Since they did no damage to houses, they were seldom noted. But they do suggest the condition of the bluff; saturated with water and not very stable.





Macy: This landslide was the third to block the road. A portion went through this little creek and out into McAllister Creek.





Kohlenberg: A new spring blew out this slope at 505 Salmon Lane (the spring is still flowing). The resulting landslide split at the house. Half, as you can see, went into the pond which drains directly into McAllister Creek. The other half broke out a window and flowed into the house. On the way, it flipped the gas meter, filling the house with gas. The owner was led out, dazed and disoriented, by neighbors and the gas company, who said the house was so full of gas it would have exploded if someone turned on a light.





Seldomridge: This house is located partway up Nisqually Bluff, just off Steilacoom. There were two landslides, one the back and the side. One slide, as you can see, took out the shed below. The house was closed by the county; you can see the occupants leaving in their U-Haul truck.

