

Squaxin Island Tribe
Intertidal Shellfish Regulation
No. 2026-173 LEASE

The following information is provided pursuant to the shellfish implementation plan adopted by the federal district court in United States v. Washington, 898 F. Supp. 1453 (W.D. Wash. 1995).

Date: September 10, 2026

Effective Date: September 17, 2026

Catch / Growing Area: 28D / Hammersley Inlet

Pick up: Church Point one half hour before start time

BIDN: PTL_Valley_Steve (284435) Parcel #32023-24-00040
DNR_HammersleyMid (281076) LEASE

Dates/Times: Open for VOLUNTEER harvesters on the list only
Thursday, September 17, 2026 from 4:00 AM through 7:00 AM

Gear/Technique: Hand held fork

Shellfish Type: 509- Manila clams

Estimated Effort: Valley: 6 harvesters
DNR_HammersleyMid: 10 harvesters

Estimated Harvest: Valley: no more than 979 pounds
DNR_HammersleyMid: 1,900 pounds

Bag Limit: For PTL_Valley_Steve: 140 pounds of clams may be harvested per harvester
For DNR_HammersleyMid: 190 pounds of clams may be harvested per harvester,
However, the limits may be raised on the beach up to 40 pounds by the monitor depending on effort and market available. There will be no designated digging on these beaches.

Size Limit: All clams must be 1.5" or larger in length to be legally harvested.

Justification: Harvest of treaty clam resource.

Other Restrictions:

- **Harvesters must provide and wear Coast Guard approved life jackets while on the barge.**
- **Harvesters must remain on the marked portion of the beach. Trespassing by walking across private property is not permitted.**
- Harvesters may only dig within the areas on the beach designated by the monitor.
- The shellfish monitor will distribute Bag tags on the day of the scheduled harvest. Harvesters are responsible for properly filling out and attaching these bag tags to all containers of shellfish before selling clams to a buyer.
- Harvesters must present their current shellfish license to the buyer and ensure all information recorded on the Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Ticket is correct. The harvesters are required to sign their own Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Ticket.
- It is unlawful for tribal members or assistants to harvest shellfish while under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. As per the Squaxin Island Tribal Code Section 7.04.160.

In accordance with the Squaxin Island Shellfish Code, this regulation is hereby approved.

Tribal Council

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