Squaxin Island Tribe Intertidal Shellfish Regulation No. 2024-57

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).

March 13, 2024 Date:

Effective Date: March 20, 2024

Catch / Growing Area: 28C / Vaughn Bay

Pick up: Fair Harbor ramp (Grapeview) one half hour prior to dig start time

BIDN: DFW VaughnBayE (280717)

Dates/Times: Open for harvesters on the list only from GROUPS A and B

Wednesday, March 20, 2024 from 8:30 PM through 11:30 PM

Hand held fork Gear/Technique:

Shellfish Type: 509- Manila clams

Estimated Effort: 25 harvesters

Estimated Harvest: 3,500 pounds

Bag Limit: A minimum 140 pounds of clams may be harvested per harvester,

however the limit may be raised on the beach 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 may only dig within the marked areas on the beach.
- Harvesters may provide a personal facemask to be worn when on the barge and when interacting with the buyer and crew.
- 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.

Signature:

Tribal Council Natural Resources

Vince Henry (Mar 13, 2024 09:55 PDT)