

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

REGULATION NUMBER: #S20-012

DATE ADOPTED: MARCH 27, 2020

REGULATION MODIFIED: LEKT REG #S20-008, SECTION 6

REGULATION SUPERCEDED: NONE

CATCH AREAS: SHELLFISH CATCH REPORTING AREAs 25C & 27A,  
COON BAY TRACT #19900, HOOD CANAL #1,  
PORT GAMBLE TRACT #20000, HOOD CANAL #1,  
PORT GAMBLE INSIDE #20100, HOOD CANAL #1  
THORNDYKE #20550, HOOD CANAL #1.

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: GEODUCK CLAM (PANOPEA GENEROSA)

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HIGH PRESSURE WATER JET, NOT TO EXCEED 5/8 INCH  
DIAMETER NOZZLE.

EFFECTIVE DATES: APRIL 1,2020 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021

DAYS/HOURS: OPEN THE FOLLOWING DAYS AND TIMES:  
FOR THE LOWER ELHWA TRIBE, TUESDAY THROUGH  
FRIDAY OF EACH WEEK,  
FROM 8:00AM TO 3:00PM DAILY.  
CONTINUE WEEKLY, EXCEPT TRIBAL HOLIDAYS.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: 1) AS PER LEKT REG. #S20-008.

A. THE 2020 LOWER ELWHA GEODUCK MANAGEMENT PLAN IS ADOPTED INTO THIS REGULATION BY REFERENCE. ALL REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS IN THAT PLAN SHALL BE ENFORCED DURING THIS FISHERY.

B. THE BOUNDARIES OF THE GEODUCK TRACT ARE MARKED BY BUOYS OR DEFINED BY THE MONITOR.

C. DURING THE FISHERY, NO VESSEL AT ANCHOR MAY CROSS THE TRACT BOUNDARY WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE MONITOR. ANY VESSEL THAT DOES SO SHALL BE CONSIDERED FISHING IN CLOSED WATERS.

EACH GEODUCK CLAM MUST BE EXCAVATED INDIVIDUALLY FROM THE BOTTOM. THE PRACTICE OF "SIDE MINING" IS PROHIBITED. NO GEODUCK

- CLAM THAT IS PARTIALLY OR WHOLLY EXCAVATED  
MAY BE REPLACED IN THE SUBSTRATE. ALL  
GEODUCKS EITHER PARTIALLY OR WHOLLY EXCAVATED  
MUST BE RETAINED AND THE WEIGHTS RECORDED.
- D. ALL GEODUCK HARVESTED DURING THIS FISHERY  
MUST BE OFF LOADED AT THE PORT LUDLOW OR  
SALSBURY POINT.
  - E. THE MINIMUM GEODUCK PRICE WILL BE AS PER  
TRIBAL RESOLUTION #08-99.
  - F. A MINIMUM DISTANCE OF 600 FEET MUST BE KEPT  
BETWEEN HARVESTING VESSELS. THE MINIMUM  
DISTANCE CAN BE REDUCED BY THE MONITOR TO  
300 FEET, IF WEATHER CONDITONS ALLOW.
  - G. DURING THE TERM OF THIS REGULATION THE  
EXPECTED HARVEST FROM THE  
LOWER ELWAH KLALLAM TRIBE  
WILL NOT EXCEED 90,296POUNDS.
  - H. EACH VESSEL'S GEODUCK HARVEST MUST BE WEIGHED  
BEFORE THE VESSEL LEAVES THE HARVEST AREA. IF  
WEIGHOUT ON THE TRACT IS NOT PRACTICAL, THE  
ALTERNATE WEIGHOUT SITE WILL BE THE PORT  
ANGELES BOAT HAVEN IN PORT ANGELES.
  - I. ALL COMMERCIAL AND TAKE HOME HARVEST MUST BE  
REPORTED ON THE OFFICIAL TRIBAL WEIGHOUT  
FORM, AT THE DESIGNATED WEIGHOUT SITE.
  - J. THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TAKE HOME HARVEST PER  
FISHER IS 25 POUNDS PER DAY.
  - K. THE FISHERY WILL BE MANAGED ACCORDING TO THE  
MINIMUM HARVEST COMPLIANCE STANDARDS ADOPTED  
BY THE LOWER ELWHA TRIBE. IN ADDITION, OSHA  
COMMERCIAL DIVING REGULATIONS (STANDARDS  
CFR 29, PART 1910, SUBPART T, PART 1917.1  
AND PART 1925.605) WILL APPLY TO ALL LOWER  
ELWHA HARVEST VESSELS.
  - L. EACH VESSEL OWNER AUTHORIZED TO FISH BY THE  
2016 LOWER ELWHA GEODUCK MANAGEMENT PLAN IS  
ASSIGNED AN INDIVIDUAL QUOTA THAT MAY NOT BE  
EXCEEDED. INDIVIDUAL QUOTA AMOUNTS ARE ON  
FILE IN THE LOWER ELWHA FISHERIES OFFICE.
  - M. ONLY ONE TRACT WILL BE OPENED AT A TIME.
  - N. CONTACT NUMBERS FOR THE ELWHA MONITORS ARE  
RON BOLSTROM - 360-912-1856  
OR TERRY STEVENS 360-565-6250

JUSTIFICATIONS:

HARVEST AVAILABLE GEODUCK RESOURCE.

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