

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

REGULATION NUMBER: S22-042

DATE ADOPTED: MARCH 24, 2023

REGULATION(S) #S22-008, SECTION 5,  
MODIFIED:

CATCH AREAS: SHELLFISH CATCH REPORTING AREA 23D,  
DUNGENESS WEST TRACT #00320  
25A PROTECTION ISLAND 01000

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL  
SPECIES: GEODUCK CLAM (PANOPE ABRUPTA)

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HIGH PRESSURE WATER JET, 5/8 INCH DIAMETER  
NOZZLE

EFFECTIVE DATES: APRIL 1, 2022 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2023

DAYS/HOURS: OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK, FROM 7:00 A.M. TO  
3:00 P.M., EACH DAY. REFER TO RESTRICTION # "O"  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: AS PER ANNUAL REG. #S22-008, ADDITIONALLY:  
A. THE 2022 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.  
E. 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 ANGELES BOAT

HAVEN IN PORT ANGELES FOR DUNGENESS WEST TRACT.

AND JOHN WAYNE MARINA FOR PROTECTION ISLAND.

- 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. THE QUOTA FOR THIS FISHERY IS 72,720 LBS.
- 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 PORT ANGELES FOR DUNGENESS TRACT. AND JOHN WAYNE MARINA FOR PROTECTION ISLAND.
- 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 2022 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.
- O. CONTACT NUMBER TERRY STEVEN 360-565-6250  
JEREMY GREENE 360-460-3594  
HARVEST AVAILABLE GEODUCK RESOURCE.  
Changing start time

JUSTIFICATIONS:

(LOWER ELWHA FISHERIES  
760 STRATTON RD  
PORT ANGELES, WA 98363)