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LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE Summer-Fall Chinook Regulation F23-014

These regulations apply to the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe off-reservation commercial fisheries in the incommon areas described below.

Areas and times not specifically opened by these regulations remain closed until further notice. These regulations do not modify troll fisheries described in the Annual In-Common Troll Regulations #F23-008.

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

a) MANAGEMEMENT AREAS

These regulations shall apply to the following Management and Catch Reporting Areas: 4B, 5, 6, 6A, 6B, 6C, 6D, (outside the exclusive harvest demarcation line for all member Tribes) 7, 9, 12,12B.

b) MANAGEMENT PERIODS FOR COMMERCIAL SET NET

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Area 4B	June 18 through August 26
Area 5	June 18 through August 26
Area 6C	June 18 through August 26
Area 6	July 2 through September 2
Area 6A	June 18 through September 9
Area 6B	July 2 through September 2
Area 9	July 2 through September 2
Area 7	July 9 through September 16
Area 12	July 9 through September 9
Area 12B	July 16 through September 16
Area 6D	July 23 through September 23

c) LAWFUL GEAR

When fisheries are open, the following gear types shall be lawful gear unless otherwise specified in emergency regulations:

- 1) Marine set gillnets ONLY: 6 ¹/₂" min. mesh.
- 2) Gillnet length restrictions as follows:

- A) Marine set nets limited to maximum length of 150 fathoms.
- B) Hook and line gear per the Annual Troll Regulation #F23-008 which supersedes these regulations where applicable.

2. FISHERY AREA RESTRICTIONS

Area 5: Pysht Bay inshore of a line from Pillar Point to the mouth of Deep Creek will be closed to all fishing. Hoko Bay, inshore from a line connecting Kydaka Point and Shipwreck Point will be closed to all fishing.

Area 6C: Port Angeles Harbor, west of a line from the tip of Ediz Hook to the ITT Rayonier Dock, shall be closed to all fishing. Freshwater Bay, inshore of a line between Angeles Point and Observatory Point, shall be closed to all fishing.

In all areas: marine nets must not be operated closer than 1,000 feet from any stream or river mouth. Stream mouths are generally defined as the point where a stream enters the marine area at mean low water. In Area 12, the mouth of Big Beef Creek is defined by the Seabeck Highway bridge crossing.

3. FISHERIES OPENINGS

- a) Areas 4B, 5, 6C: Open to setnets from June 18 through August 26; 7 days a week, 24 hours a day.
- b) Areas 6, 6A, 6B, 6D, 7, 9, 12, 12B: Closed to commercial fishing until further notice.

4. EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

Openings as well as restrictions outlined in these regulations may be modified at any time by emergency regulations based on in-season management considerations. Fishers should check with the Fisheries Office.

5. EXPECTED EFFORT AND HARVEST

The Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe intends to fully harvest their lawful share of summer-fall Chinook salmon. Expected effort is 1-2 fishing vessels.

6. AUTHORITY

This regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Klallam Fisheries Manager under authority specified by the Lower Elwha Klallam Fishing Ordinance Third Edition.

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