FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE The following regulation is promulgated by the Lower Elwha Treaty Council and shall govern the commercial clam fisheries conducted off-reservation and on inter-tidal public lands within Region 8 by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe. The term of this regulation is from January 1 through December 31, 2024, and is intended to regulate the oyster harvest by these member Tribes in Region 8 under provisions of Paragraph 4.6 of the U.S. District Court Order of August 28, 1995 (Implementation Order) in U.S. v Washington, Subproceeding 89-3. In the event the Region 8 Bivalve Management Plan is completed before the end of this regulation term, this regulation will be superseded by a new regulation conforming to the provisions of the Region 8 Bivalve Managment Plan.

REGULATION NUMBER: S23-126

DATE ADOPTED: JANUARY 10, 2024

REGULATION MODIFIED: REGULATION #S23-001, SECTION 5 REGULATION CATCH AREAS: CATCH REPORTING AREA 25D: INDIAN ISLAND BEACH #9(250320), KILISUT HARBOR

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: NATIVE LITTLENECK AND MANILA CLAMS ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HAND HELD RAKE, FORK OR SHOVEL

EFFECTIVE DATES: JANUARY 24TH, 2024

DAYS AND HOURS: INDIAN ISLAND BEACH #9(250320), KILISUT HARBOR, MONITORED, OPEN FOR CLAMS: THURS(1/24) 8:00PM TO 12:00AM JANUARY 24TH 2024. HARVESTERS WILL ARRIVE AT PARK AT 7:00PM AND GO TO GATE TOGETHER AT 7:30PM AM DIG STARTS AT 8:00 PM.

TOTAL HARVESTERS ALLOWED: 24 (ALL TRIBES COMBINED), TOTAL ELWHA HARVESTERS 1

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: 1. AS PER REGULATION #S23-001. THIS OPENING IS FOR THE LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE 2. HARVEST IS LIMITED TO CLAMS 1.5 INCHES IN LENGTH OR GREATER. 3. ALL COMMERCIAL HARVEST MUST BE SOLD WITHIN 18 HOURS OF THE CLOSING TIME OF THE FISHERY, OR PLACED IN REFRIGERATED CONTAINERS. 4. TRIBAL HARVESTERS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TRIBES AND THE NAVY. 5. ACCESS IS LIMITED. HARVESTERS MUST CONTACT THEIR RESPECTIVE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICES TO OBTAIN THEIR TURN FOR HARVESTING.

6. ONCE THE TOTAL LIMIT HAS BEEN REACHED BY ALL TRIBAL HARVESTERS, AS DETERMINED BY THE BEACH MONITORS, THE BEACH WILL BE CLOSED BY THE MONITORS. 7. ALL TRIBAL HARVESTERS MUST REPORT THE OUANTITY OF CLAMS HARVESTED AND THE NAME OF THE BUYER TO THE MONITOR PRIOR TO LEAVING THE BEACH. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE PROVISIONS WILL BE A VIOLATION OF THIS REGULATION. 8. ALL TRIBAL HARVESTERS MUST TRAVEL TO AND FROM THE BEACH AS A GROUP UNDER ESCORT BY INDIAN ISLAND STAFF. 9. A LABEL ISSUED BY THE HARVESTERS TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE MUST BE AFFIXED TO EACH BAG OR CONTAINER OF COMMERCIALLY HARVESTED CLAMS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING HARVEST. THE LABEL MUST BE CLEARLY VISIBLE WITHOUT OPENING THE BAG OR CONTAINER. USING AN INDELIBLE MARKER. 10. TRIBAL HARVESTERS WHO SELL TO A BUYER OTHER THAN THAT REPORTED TO THE MONITOR MUST NOTIFY THEIR RESPECTIVE TRIBAL FISHERIES OFFICE OF THE DISCREPANCY WITHIN 12 HOURS OF THE TIME OF SALE.

CATCH REPORTING: ALL COMMERCIAL HARVEST MUST BE REPORTED ON TREATY INDIAN FISH RECEIVING TICKETS. THE GROWING AREA AND BIDN MUST BE RECORDED ON THE FISH TICKET AT THE POINT OF SALE. JUSTIFICATION: HARVEST AVAILABLE CLAM RESOURCE.

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LOWER ELWHA DIGGERS PARTICIPATING ON THIS DIG WILL BE JOE BOYD #14525

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