This is the Suquamish Shellfish Hotline for Friday, July 18, 2014

Please note that this information, along with detailed regulations pertaining to each fishery are posted on the Suquamish Website at www.suquamish.org

CLAM SUBSISTENCE OPENINGS

Please note that all beaches are closed to butter clam, varnish clam and mussel harvest until further notice

Beaches open for Littleneck clams, manila clams, horse clams, cockles & pacific oysters

- Jeff Head Beach 260280
- Tribal Center Beach 260473
- East Indianola Beach 260290
- Shine Tidelands State Beach 250512
- Point Bolin Beach 260450 (off George Lane - Access to this beach is by boat only or by foot with upland owners' permission.)

You do not need a subsistence permit to harvest clams or oysters on these beaches. However, reporting harvest totals to the fisheries office within 72 hours is required.

COMMERCIAL CLAM HARVESTS

Cleanup Harvest on small beach, Chico Way side
Location: Dyes Inlet, Chico Beach CB67
Thursday, July 24 from 9AM to 1PM
Check-in with monitors begins at 8:45 AM
Boat Access recommended
Foot access is available by walking through the Chico Boat Ramp and walking north to the harvest area.
No quota limit

Clam harvest for Group A (as in Apple) and standbys
Location: Dyes Inlet, Tracyton beach WP0.5
Friday, July 25, from 9:30AM to 1:30PM
Check-in with monitors begins at 9:15 AM
Foot access is available by walking through Anna Smith Children's Park to beach and then walking the beach north to harvest area.

Please see maps and regulations online or at the fisheries office for details.

Also note that all diggers are responsible for contacting a buyer and selling their clams within 18 hours of harvest. A list of buyers' phone numbers is available at the Fisheries Department front desk.

COMMERCIAL CRAB FISHERY

Region 1
Catch Areas: 20B, 21A, 21B, 22A, and 22B
Open: 7AM Wednesday, July 23
Close: 1PM Thursday, July 24
Gear limit:

30 pots per boat in 21A, 21B and 22B
40 pots per boat in 20B and 22A

SUBSISTENCE CRAB FISHERY

Region 4
Catch Areas 26B and 26C
Open:
Close: February 28, 2015

Region 2 West
Catch Areas 25B, 26AW and 25D (Port Townsend Bay)
Open:
Close: February 15, 2015

Region 2 East
Catch Areas 26AE and 24B south of a line drawn from Camano Head Southeast to Mission Point
Open:
Close: February 15, 2015

Region 5
Catch Area 25C (North of Hood Canal bridge)
Open:
Close: February 28, 2015

Region 1
Catch Areas 21A, 21B and 22B
Open:
Close: March 31, 2015 or when the treaty share is harvested

Gear and catch limits: 2 pots and 6 crabs per tribal ID per day
Prior permitting from the fisheries office is required
Sale of C&S crab is strictly prohibited and enforced

COMMERCIAL SHRIMP FISHERY

Region 4
Catch Area 26B2 (Elliott Bay)
Open
Close: August 31, 2014
Open to registered boats under IFQ limits

SUBSISTENCE SHRIMP FISHERY

Region 1
All Areas
Open
Close: September 15, 2014

Region 4
Catch area 26B1
Open
Close: September 15, 2014 or when the treaty share is harvested

Permits are required and available at the fisheries office. Permits will be issued for three days at a time. Selling subsistence shrimp is strictly prohibited and enforced.

Subsistence limit: 15 pounds of whole shrimp per license and 4 pots per day

SQUID OPENINGS:
All catch areas within the Suquamish U&A
Open:
Close: December 31, 2014
See regulation for details

GEODUCK OPENINGS:
Geoduck harvest is open for contracted divers during scheduled times, in locations chosen by Suquamish Seafood.

CATCH REPORTING:
All fishers must report all subsistence or commercial landings on a Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Ticket using a valid Suquamish fisherman's I.D. card.