



PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

2014-7

Week 37

Friday, September 5 at 2:00 p.m.

[read by: Aaron Dufault]

Area 7 and 7A sockeye fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and not posted on this hotline. Fishers should call the National Marine Fisheries Service Hotline at 1-800-662-9825 to get opening information on Fraser Panel fisheries. Fishers are reminded that a department issued Fish Friendly certification card is required to participate in any Area 7 or 7A commercial salmon fisheries.

For the week beginning Sunday September 7, 2014 all non-Fraser Panel controlled areas are closed except as follows:

Areas 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:

Gillnets using 5-inch minimum mesh size:

7 AM Sunday September 7th to 7 AM Friday September 12th

Hale Pass is closed to gillnets.

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Monday September 8th, 7 AM to 8 PM

Wednesday September 10th, 7 AM to 8 PM

Friday September 12th, 7 AM to 8 PM

Purse Seines fishing in the Hale Pass closure area must release all coho.

Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay) is open to:

Skiff gillnets with nets not to exceed 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh, continuously through 7 PM Saturday, October 25th. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

Area 12A (Quilcene Bay) will be open to:

Beach seines from 7 AM to 7 PM daily:

Monday September 8th through Friday September 12th

Beach seines may only retain coho and must release all other species.

If you suspect an error in this message or if you have questions, please contact Kendall Henry, the Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Manager, at 360-902-2717.