



Shellfish Enforcement Harvest Grounds to Market Place



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and the Public we Serve”

Oysters and clams

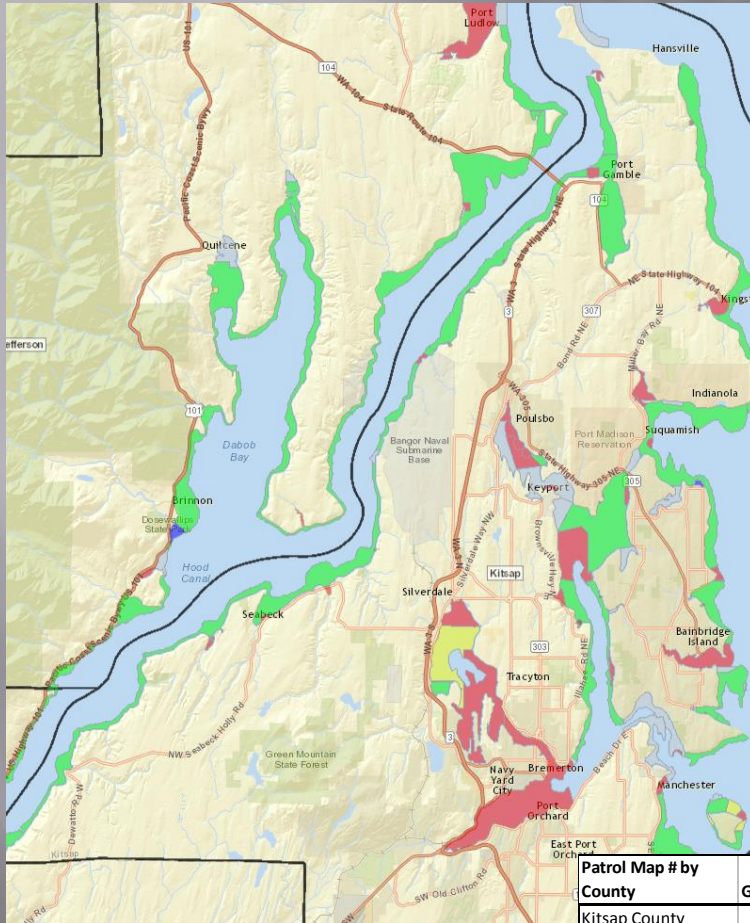


Washington State Shellfish Industry

- ▣ \$270,000,000 /year industry
- ▣ 3,200 jobs – mostly in small communities
 - Shellfish Growers are
 - ▣ Largest Private Employer in Pacific County
 - ▣ 2nd Largest Employer in Mason County

Kitsap County

- ▣ 11 Patrol Areas
- 6 High Risk



Patrol Map # by County	Growing Area Name	Shellfish Productivity	Ease of Harvest	Difficulty of Patrol	Adjust. Points	Final Score	Risk Category	Number of Required Patrols
Kitsap County								
6-17	Hood Canal #2-Seabeck Bay	3x0.4= 1.2	5x0.4= 2.0	2x0.2= 0.4	0	3.6	Medium	8/30 HD
6-18	Unclassified-Sinclair Inlet	3x0.4= 1.2	5x0.4= 2.0	2x0.2= 0.4	0	3.6	Medium	8/30 HD
6-19	Dyes Inlet-Port Wahington Narrows	1x0.4= 0.4	1x0.4= 0.4	1x0.2= 0.2	0	1	Low	4/30 HD
6-20	Dyes Inlet-Erlands Point to Rocky Point	5X4.0= 2.0	5X4.0= 2.0	1x0.2= 0.2	0	4.2	High	16/30 HD
6-21	Dyes Inlet -Chico Bay	5X4.0= 2.0	5X4.0= 2.0	1x0.2= 0.2	0	4.2	High	16/30 HD
6-22	Dyes Inlet	5X4.0= 2.0	5X4.0= 2.0	1x0.2= 0.2	0	4.2	High	16/30 HD
6-23	Yukon Harbor	1x 0.40= 0.4	1x 0.4= 0.4	3x 0.2= 0.6	0	1.4	Low	4/30 HD
6-24	Port Blakely, Port Madison, Port Orchard Passage	5X4.0= 2.0	5X4.0= 2.0	2x0.2= 0.4	0	4.4	High	16/30 HD
6-25	Lemolo, Port Orchard Passage	5X4.0= 2.0	5X4.0= 2.0	2x0.2= 0.4	0	4.4	High	16/30 HD
6-26	Hood Canal #1, Kingston, Port Gamble, Port Madison	5x0.4= 2.0	5x0.4= 2.0	1x0.2= 0.2	0	4.2	High	16/30 HD
6-27	Hood Canal #1-Bangor							No Patrol Required

Shellfish Initiative

“The Puget Sound Partnership has targeted a net increase from 2007 to 2020 of 10,800 harvestable shellfish acres, which includes 7,000 acres where harvest is currently prohibited in Puget Sound.”
(2011 Washington Shellfish Initiative)

Poacher + Clams, Oysters, Crab, Prawns+ illicit business=

Threat to public health

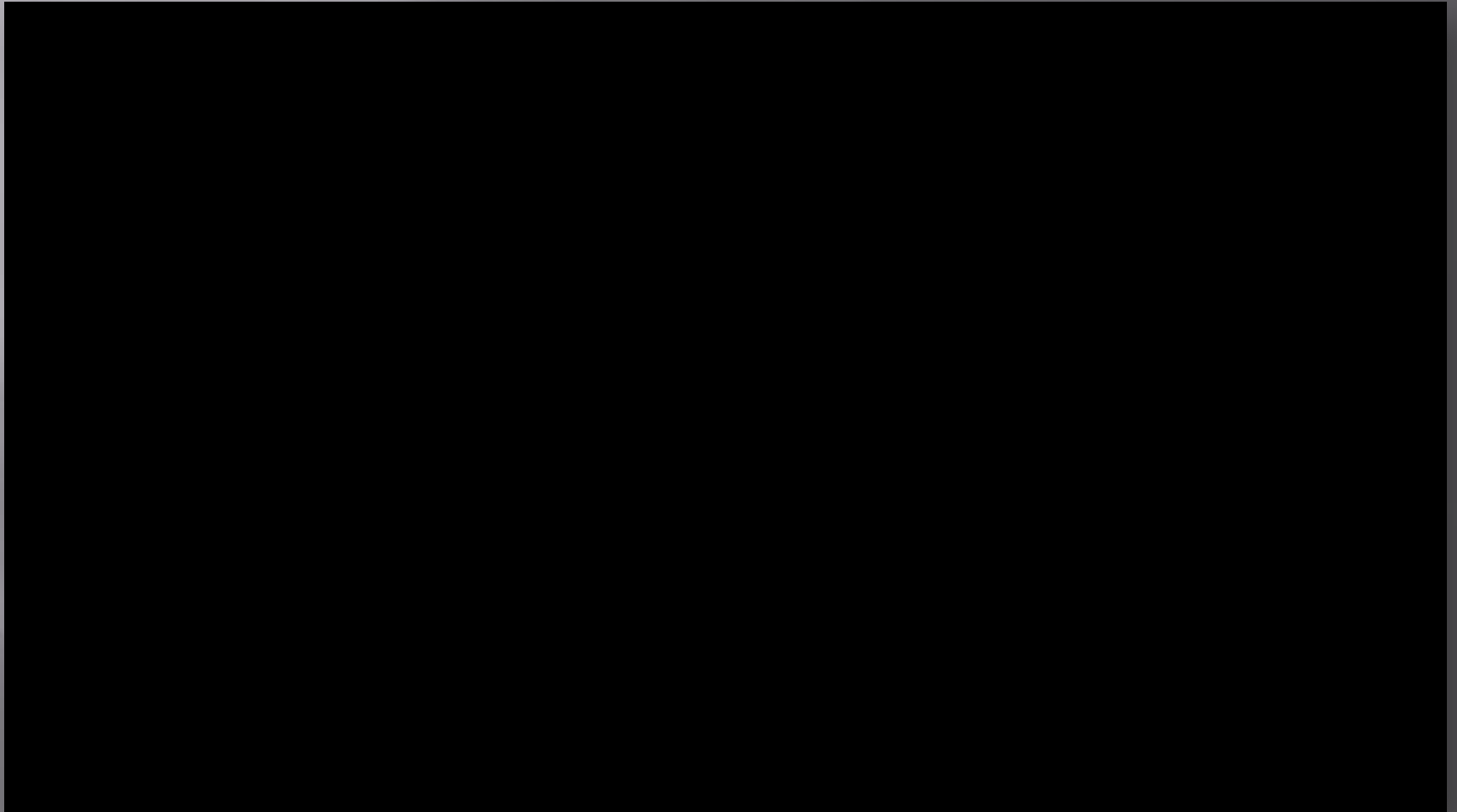
Threat to conservation

Threat to orderly fisheries

Threat to legitimate industry



The Bad Guys Perspective







WANTED



By Washington Fish & Wildlife Police

King County Warrant Number: 11108222-5 SEA



CLARK, RODNEY ALLAN

Description:

AGE: 49

DOB: 08/17/1964

Height: 6'2"

Weight: 200 lbs

Eyes: HAZ/GRN

Last known address:

• Kailua Kona, Hawaii

• Dutch Harbor, Alaska

Occupation: May be working as an independent contractor in either the construction or fishing industries.

Rodney Allan Clark is wanted on 17 felony counts of Trafficking in Stolen Property First Degree, Criminal Negligent Endangerment as a result of an investigation by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. During the investigation, Mr. Clark, doing business as G and R Quality Shellfish, is alleged to have stolen hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of oysters and hard shelled clams from state and private tidlands. Mr. Clark may be in the company of Karen R. Kenyon (DOB 5-17-64), who is also wanted by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Police.

Individuals with information concerning the location of Mr. Clark are asked to contact the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Police at:

Contact: Detective Rhoden

Phone: (360) 902-2936

Website: wdfw.wa.gov

G&R Shellfish



Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Police shared their photo.

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UPDATE: G&R Shellfish owner Rodney Clark was extradited from Hawaii last Wednesday on a Fish and Wildlife Police Arrest Warrant. He is now being held at King County Jail on \$250K bail for 17 counts of Trafficking in Stolen Property.

You may recall we originally posted this story in December after Fish and Wildlife Detectives identified Clark as the organizer of an estimated \$2 million shellfish theft ring that was stealing shellfish from state and private property in the Hood Canal. Clark jumped bail and has been hiding out in Hawaii and Alaska since 2013.

Fish and Wildlife Detective Rhoden worked with the King County Prosecutor's Financial Crimes Unit, US Social Security Administration, US Marshal's Service, KCSO Fugitive Unit, and Alaska State Troopers to capture Clark and have him extradited. After months on the lam, Clark got into a confrontation with the Hawaii Police Department and was arrested and held on a Washington State Governor's warrant.

Clark's next court date is September 23rd.

Local Restaurants Unknowingly Sold Stolen Shellfish



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The King of Clams



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Geoduck poacher sentenced to jail time

BY AMELIA DICKSON
Staff writer September 19, 2014



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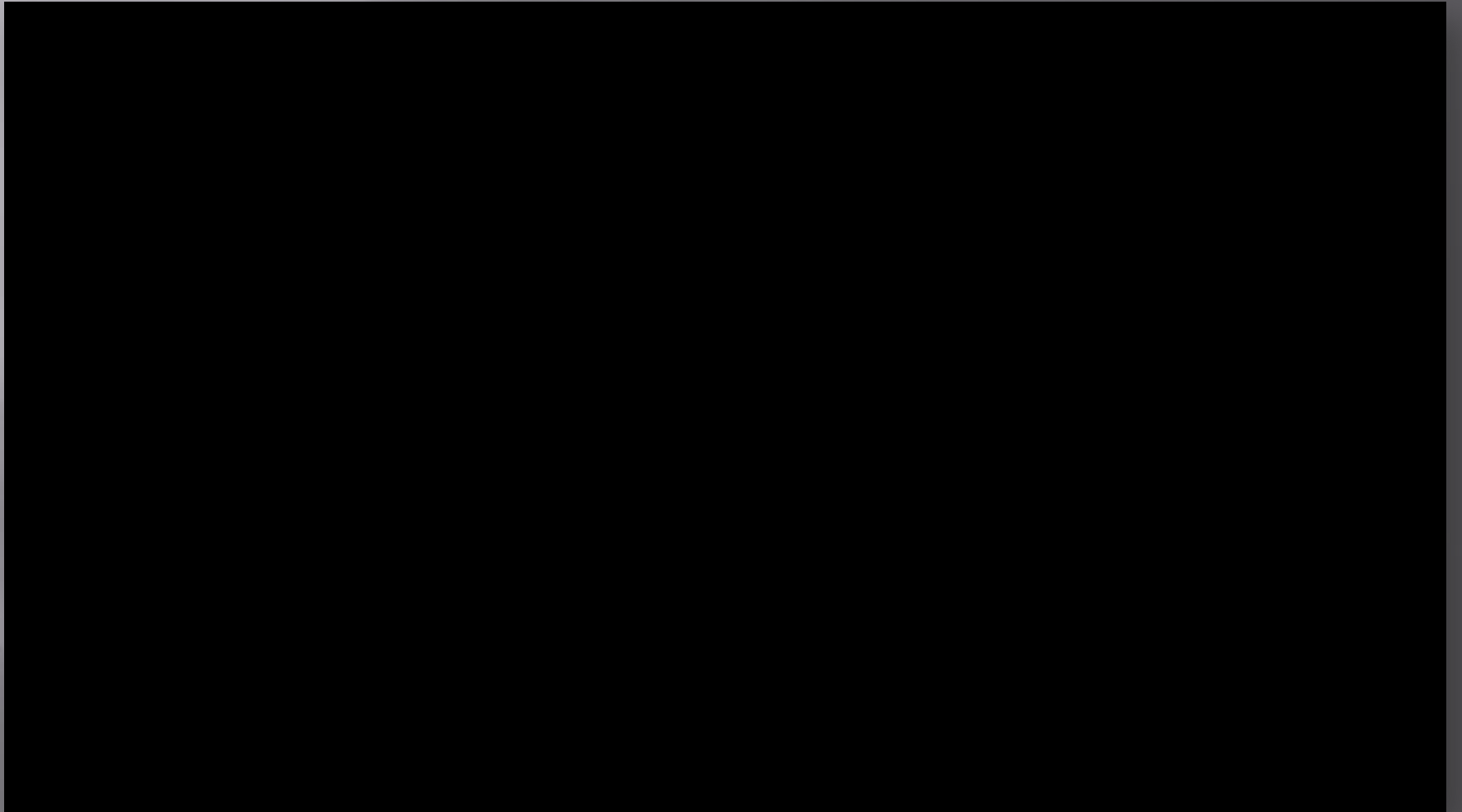


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