



PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

2014-5

Week 35

Friday, August 22 at 2:00 p.m.

[read by: Cynthia Burns]

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 August 24th all non-Fraser Panel controlled areas are closed except as follows:

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

Gillnets using 7-inch minimum mesh size:

7 PM Sunday, August 24th to 8 AM Monday, August 25th

7 PM Monday, August 25th to 8 AM Tuesday, August 26th

7 PM Tuesday, August 26th to 8 AM Wednesday, August 27th

7 PM Wednesday, August 27th to 8 AM Thursday, August 28th

Purse seines with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday August 27th from 6 AM to 8 PM.

Purse seines 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 August 25th through Friday August 29th

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.