Area 7 and 7A pink fisheries are controlled by the Fraser River Panel and are 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 6th all 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 6th to 7 AM Friday, September 11th
  Hale Pass is closed to gillnets.

- **Purse seines** with a 5 inch strip:
  Monday, September 7th 6 AM to 8 PM
  Wednesday, September 9th from 6 AM to 8 PM
  Friday, September 11th from 6 AM to 8 PM
  Brailing is required and purse seines fishing in the Hale Pass closure area must release all coho.

Area 8 (Skagit Bay) will be open to:

- **Gillnets** using 5 inch minimum and 5½ inch maximum mesh size with max 60 mesh depth:
  Tuesday, September 8th from 5 AM to 11 PM.

- **Purse seines:**
  Wednesday, September 9th from 6 AM to 8 PM
  Purse seines must release all Chinook, sockeye and chum.

Area 9A (Port Gamble Bay) will be open to:

- **Skiff gillnets** with nets not to exceed 600 feet in length and 60 meshes in depth using 5-inch minimum mesh, is open continuously through 7 PM Saturday, October 31st. All Chinook and chum must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

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

- **Beach seines** with nets not to exceed 990 feet in length and 200 meshes in depth using minimum 3-inch and maximum 4-inch mesh:
  7 AM to 7 PM daily, from Monday, September 7th through Friday, September 11th
  Beach seines may only retain coho.