



## PUGET SOUND COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERIES HOTLINE

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2017-22, Week 44 update  
Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 p.m.

[read by: Kwasi Addae]

**Note: there are no changes to the fishing schedule for week 44 in South Sound or Hood Canal chum fisheries.**

**For the remainder of the week beginning Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup> all areas are closed except as follows:**

**Area 6D (Dungeness Bay) will be open to:**

**Skiff gillnets** using 5-inch minimum mesh

7 AM to 7 PM daily Monday October 30 through Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Areas 7/7A (San Juan Islands and Point Roberts) will be open to:**

**Reef Nets**

5 AM to 9 PM Daily through November 11<sup>th</sup>

Must release all Chinook.

**Gillnets** using 6 ¼-inch minimum mesh size:

Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 7AM to Midnight

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 7AM to Midnight

Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 7AM to Midnight

**Purse seines** with a 5 inch strip:

Wednesday November 1<sup>st</sup> 7AM to 6PM

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 7AM to 6PM

Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 7AM to 6PM

Recovery boxes are required and purse seines must release all Chinook and coho.

**Area 7B (Bellingham Bay) will be open to:**

**Gillnets** using 6 ¼-inch minimum mesh

Continuously through midnight Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

**Purse seines** with a 5 inch strip

Continuously through 6 PM Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

Must release all Chinook

**Area 8D (Tulalip Bay) will be open west of a line from Mission Point to Hermosa Point to:**

**Gillnets** using 5 inch minimum mesh

7 AM Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 7 PM Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

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

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/commercial/salmon/>

**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, continuously through 7 PM Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. All Chinook must be released by cutting the ensnaring mesh.

**Areas 10 & 11 (Seattle and Tacoma) will be open to:**

**Gillnets** using 6 ¼ inch minimum mesh:

5 PM Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 9 AM Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>

WDFW staff met with co-managers today (10/31) and there has been no change to the South Sound chum fishing schedule for week 44. The estimated in-season runsize for South Sound remains at 600,000 chum. The next meeting with the co-managers is scheduled for Friday, November 4.

**Areas 12 & 12B (Hood Canal) will be open to:**

**Gillnets** using 6 ¼ inch minimum mesh:

Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7 AM to 8 PM

WDFW staff met with co-managers today (10/31) and increased the Hood Canal runsize to 947,000. There has been no change to the Hood Canal fishing schedule for week 44. The next meeting with the co-managers is scheduled for Friday, November 4.