

FILING ORGANIZATION: LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM TRIBE

REGULATION NUMBER: S18-113

DATE ADOPTED: JANUARY 17, 2019

REGULATION(S)
SUPERSEDED/MODIFIED: #S18-013, SECTION 5, MODIFIED

CATCH AREAS: SHELLFISH CATCH REPORTING AREA 25A,
PROTECTION ISLAND TRACT #01000, EAST
STRAIT.

FISHERY TYPE: COMMERCIAL

SPECIES: GEODUCK CLAM (PANOPE ABRUPTA)

ON/OFF RESERVATION: OFF

LEGAL GEAR: HIGH PRESSURE WATER JET, 5/8 INCH DIAMETER NOZZLE

EFFECTIVE DATES: JANUARY 18, 2019 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2019

DAYS/HOURS: OPEN TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, FROM 7:00 A.M. TO
3:00 P.M., EACH DAY. REFER TO RESTRICTION # "O"
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

OTHER RESTRICTIONS: AS PER ANNUAL REG. #S19-013, ADDITIONALLY:

- A. THIS OPENING IS FOR LOWER ELWHA KLALLAM HARVERSTERS ONLY.
- B. THE 2018 LOWER ELWHA GEODUCK MANAGEMENT PLAN IS ADOPTED INTO THIS REGULATION BY REFERENCE. ALL REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS IN THAT PLAN SHALL BE ENFORCED DURING THIS FISHERY.
- C. THE BOUNDARIES OF THE GEODUCK TRACT ARE MARKED BY BUOYS OR DEFINED BY THE MONITOR.
- D. DURING THE FISHERY, NO VESSEL AT ANCHOR MAY CROSS THE TRACT BOUNDARY WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE MONITOR. ANY VESSEL THAT DOES SO SHALL BE CONSIDERED FISHING IN CLOSED WATERS.
- E. EACH GEODUCK CLAM MUST BE EXCAVATED INDIVIDUALLY FROM THE BOTTOM. THE PRACTICE OF "SIDE MINING" IS PROHIBITED. NO GEODUCK CLAM THAT IS PARTIALLY OR WHOLLY EXCAVATED MAY BE REPLACED IN THE SUBSTRATE. ALL GEODUCKS EITHER PARTIALLY OR WHOLLY EXCAVATED MUST BE RETAINED AND THE WEIGHTS RECORDED.
- F. ALL GEODUCK HARVESTED DURING THIS FISHERY MUST BE OFFLOADED AT THE JOHN WAYNE MARINE IN SEQUIM.
- G. THE MINIMUM GEODUCK PRICE WILL BE AS PER TRIBAL RESOLUTION #08-99.

- H. A MINIMUM DISTANCE OF 600 FEET MUST BE KEPT BETWEEN HARVESTING VESSELS. THE MINIMUM DISTANCE CAN BE REDUCED BY THE MONITOR TO 300 FEET, IF WEATHER CONDITONS ALLOW.
- I. THE FISHERY WILL CLOSE EARLY IF THE TRIBAL HARVEST QUOTA, IDENTIFIED IN REG. #S18-013 IS TAKEN BEFORE MARCH 31, 2019.
- J. EACH VESSEL'S GEODUCK HARVEST MUST BE WEIGHED BEFORE THE VESSEL LEAVES THE HARVEST AREA. IF WEIGHOUT ON THE TRACT IS NOT PRACTICAL, THE ALTERNATE WEIGHOUT SITE WILL BE THE JOHN WAYNE MARINA AT SEQUIM.
- K. ALL COMMERCIAL AND TAKE HOME HARVEST MUST BE REPORTED ON THE OFFICIAL TRIBAL WEIGHOUT FORM, AT THE DESIGNATED WEIGHOUT SITE.
- L. THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF TAKE HOME HARVEST PER FISHER IS 25 POUNDS.
- M. THE FISHERY WILL BE MANAGED ACCORDING TO THE MINIMUM HARVEST COMPLIANCE STANDARDS ADOPTED BY THE LOWER ELWHA TRIBE. IN ADDITION, OSHA COMMERCIAL DIVING REGULATIONS (STANDARDS CFR 29, PART 1910, SUBPART T, PART 1917.1 AND PART 1925.605) WILL APPLY TO ALL LOWER ELWHA HARVEST VESSELS.
- N. EACH VESSEL OWNER AUTHORIZED TO FISH BY THE 2004 LOWER ELWHA GEODUCK MANAGEMENT PLAN IS ASSIGNED AN INDIVIDUAL QUOTA THAT MAY NOT BE EXCEEDED. INDIVIDUAL QUOTA AMOUNTS ARE ON FILE IN THE LOWER ELWHA FISHERIES OFFICE.
- O. ONLY ONE TRACT WILL BE OPENED AT A TIME.
- p. NO HARVEST CAN OCCUR WITHOUT MONITOR APPROVAL
MONITORS ARE TERRY STEVENS 1-360-565-6250 AND
RON BOLSTROM 1-360-912-1856
ENFORCEMNT OFFICER IS: DANIEL
1-360-461-2082

JUSTIFICATIONS: HARVEST AVAILABLE GEODUCK RESOURCE.

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