



Quinault Indian Nation

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GRAYS AREA 2C and Humptulips River Areas 2018 SPRING/SUMMER FISHERY COMMERCIAL FISHING REGULATION – 02

TO: Quinault Tribal Off-Reservation Fishermen
Quinault Tribal Enforcement
FROM: Quinault Off-Reservation Fish Committee
DATE: June 21, 2018
SUBJECT: Grays Harbor Area 2C and addition of the Humptulips Fishing Area during this period- Spring/Summer Fishery – Stat. Wks 26-31.

This regulation replaces regulation 01 dated April 4, 2018, in order to provide an additional range of small mesh size for targeting hatchery steelhead, with the small mesh size option also applying to opening of the Humptulips fishing area. The spring summer open fishing area for Grays Harbor Area 2C will be as described below, from weeks 26 through 31. The Humptulips River open area under the provision for a range of smaller net sizes for the remaining weeks, runs from its mouth upstream to the railroad bridge at Newton. Area 2C includes the area of 2C lying south of Breckinridge Bluff (south of the line running due east to west from Breckinridge Bluff—see map). Beginning week 27 the fishing 2C area will be restricted to that area of 2C lying north of Breckinridge Bluff (north of the line running east to west from the Bluff—see map). **The Quinault Nation boating regulation is described below, also.:**

The fishery will be open for commercial gillnet fishing for authorized Quinault Tribal fishers according to the following schedule (see boating regulations below):

Stat Week	Set-In	Pull-Out
26	12 Noon, Sun., June 24	12 Noon, Fri., June 29
27*	12 Noon, Sun., July 01	12 Noon, Fri., July 06
28*	12 Noon, Sun., July 08	12 Noon, Fri., July 13
29*	12 Noon, Sun., July 15	12 Noon, Fri., July 20
30*	12 Noon, Sun., July 22	12 Noon, Fri., July 27
31*	12 Noon, Sun., July 29	12 Noon, Fri., August 03

This fishery will operate to target White Sturgeon, while limiting impacts on Green Sturgeon.

Mesh Size Restriction for Area 2C: Mesh size is restricted to a minimum 8 1/2 inches and a maximum 9 1/4 inches stretch size.

Additional Small Mesh Size Range Allowed for Area 2C and the Humptulips River: Additional mesh sizes ranging from a minimum of 5 1/2 inches to a maximum 6 1/2 inches stretch measure are allowed for the remaining fishing season.

Area Restriction: An asterisk (*) following the week number indicates fishing is restricted to north of an east to west line running Breckinridge Bluff across area 2C, during that week's fishing.(see attached map)

White Sturgeon Size Retention Restriction: Only White Sturgeon that fall within the legal size slot limits may be retained, during authorized commercial treaty fishery openings in Grays Harbor Area 2C: The legal slot size limit for White Sturgeon is 38 to 54 inches (as measured with fish lying flat on its side, tip of snout to the fork of the tail fin).

All Green Sturgeon must be released immediately when encountered.

White Sturgeon must be measured immediately upon removal from net. Sturgeon outside of the legal size slots are to be immediately released. The removal, or mutilation, of the head or tail of any sturgeon prior to delivery is prohibited.

Please watch for plastic spaghetti tags located near the top fin of the sturgeon. Report tag number and color, date and location caught, length, and whether the fish was retained or released. The information can be reported to the Quinault Fisheries Division.

Fish Tickets: Fish tickets shall include the signature of the person that actually caught and is selling the fish under a valid QIN permit or authorization; his or her ID number; and the ground location number, if applicable, or a notation of drift netting. If a person is signing a fish ticket as an assistant, helper, or hired fisherman, the ticket shall also include the name and identification number of the fisher being assisted.

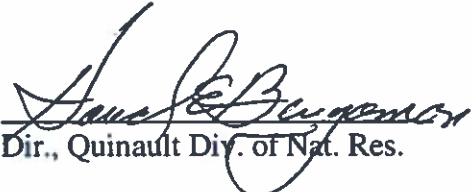
Sales of Fish: A fishermen may only sell their catch to authorized Quinault Nation Buyers with the following exception: a fisherman may sell no more than a daily total of 3 salmon and steelhead (combined) directly to consumers.

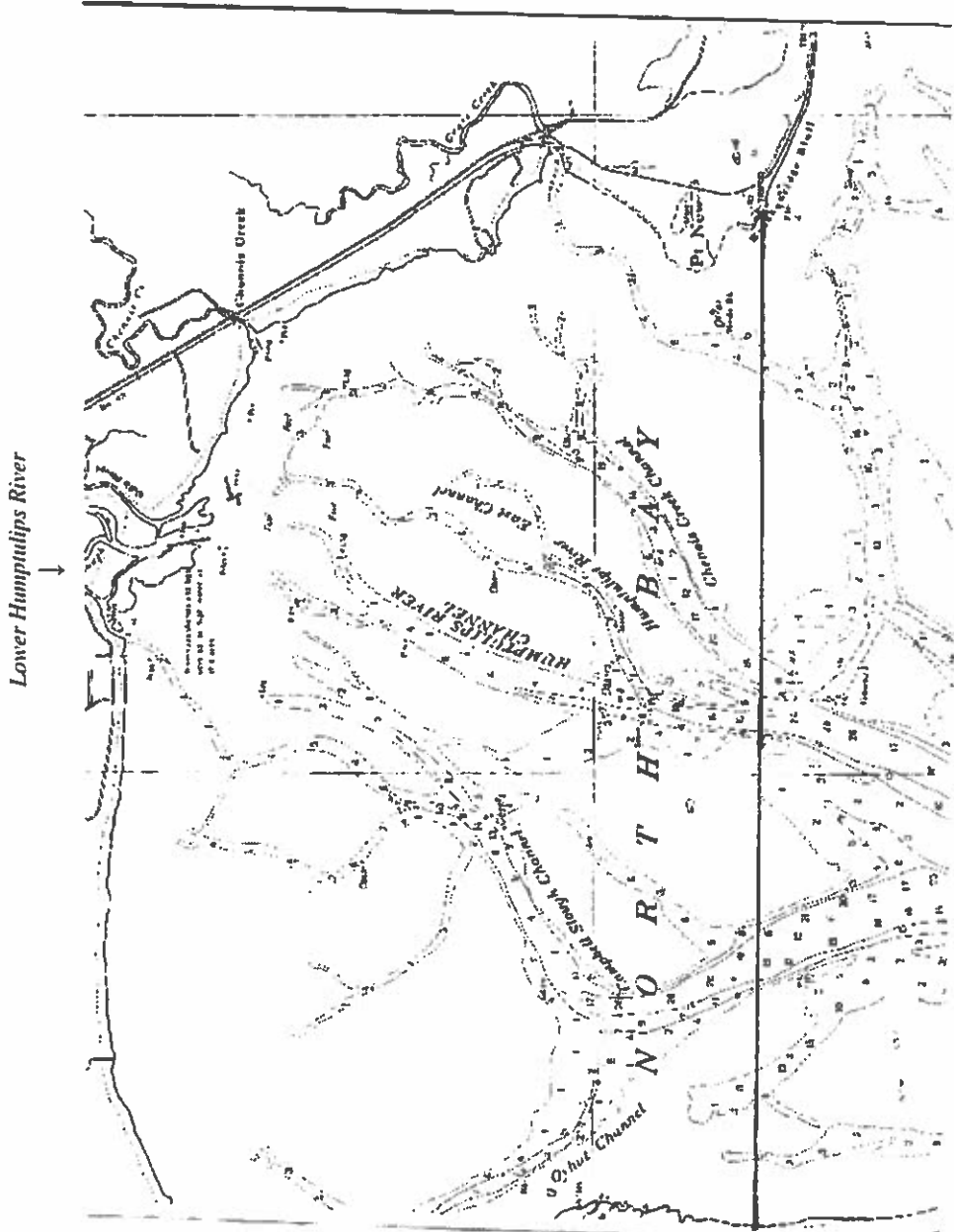
Boating Regulations: In addition, all boats participating in off-reservation treaty fisheries shall carry personal flotation devices (PFDs) and visual distress signals, in the number and manner required by 33 CFR Part 175, as adopted by QBC Resolution No. 13-383 (A) -92.

According to the General Regulations, it is each fisherman's legal responsibility to see that all catch is reported on the daily fish tickets. This includes: commercial, incidental sales, take-home and ceremonial catch. All other provisions of the QIN Grays Harbor Off-Reservation General Regulations will be in effect.

Justification: This changed net provision is intended to allowed the fishery to target available Marked Hatchery Summer Steelhead that are produced within this watershed's hatchery system.


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East-West Line (crossing to Breckenridge Bluff)(46°59'07.09") >>

