



Quinault Indian Nation

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Queets River 2016-17 Winter Commercial Fishing Regulation – 01

TO: Queets Fishermen
Quinault Fisheries Enforcement

Date: November 16, 2016

FROM: Queets River Committee

SUBJECT: Queets River Winter Gillnet Fishery; Weeks 48 – 51

The Queets River commercial gillnet fishery will be open during statistical weeks 48-51. The fishery will begin at 12:00 noon on the opening day and end at 12:00 noon on the closing day of each week. Opening and closing dates are as follows:

<u>Week</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>
48	Sun. Nov. 20	Wed. Nov. 23
49	Sun. Nov. 27	Fri. Dec. 02
50	Sun. Dec. 04	Fri. Dec. 09
51	Sun. Dec. 11	Fri. Dec. 16

Gear: The minimum allowable mesh size is 5½ inch.

Drift net use is allowed at all flow levels during the above schedule. A minimum flow restriction will be set before February 1 and monitored using the USGS flow station--
<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/wa/nwis/uv?12040500>.

Sales of Fish: A fisherman 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.

*In the event that the fishery is unable to operate due to freshet conditions, the fishing schedule may be modified.

* A landing deadline of one hour after the weekly closing is allowed, so long as the fisher has removed all gear from the fishing location by the closing date and time provided in the regulation schedule. This is meant to provide ample opportunity for fishers to land their fish in Queets to QPS.

*All fishing nets shall be removed at the end of each scheduled fishing period to a location within the fisher's control which includes but is not limited to the fisher's home, their motor vehicle, or fishing vessel.

*All nets must be clearly marked with personal identification number on the outer corks or buoy.

*Fishermen are reminded that each fisherman is permitted to use only one net, except to include the authorized use of a drift net where provided in this regulation.

*Only individuals whose treaty I.D. numbers are listed on the approved roster of fishers are eligible to fish.

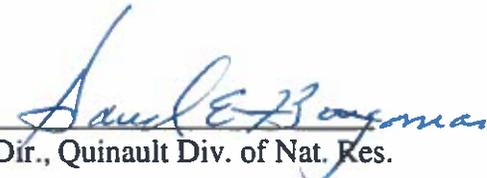
Fish Tickets: Fish tickets shall include the signature of the person that actually caught and is selling the fish under a valid QIN permit or authorization; his or her ID number; and the ground location number, if applicable, or a notation of drift netting. If a person is signing a fish ticket as an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

Justification: This fishery is consistent with the 2016 Queets River Winter Management Plan.

All other provisions of the Queets General Regulations and Title 51 apply.



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