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EMERGENCY QUEETS RIVER REGULATION 18-06-13

TO: Quinault Fishermen
Quinault Fisheries Enforcement
Date: June 13, 2018
FROM: Queets River Fish Committee
SUBJECT: Queets River Summer Smelt Fishery, June 14, 2018 to
July 31, 2018

The Queets River will be open for subsistence and commercial smelt fishing from June 14, 2018 to July 31, 2018. The fishery will begin at 12:00 noon on the opening day and end at 12:00 noon on the closing day. Opening and closing dates are as follows:

Open

Close

Thurs, June 14, 2018

Tuesday, July 31, 2018

All commercial smelt must be landed no later than 12:30 pm on the closing date. **Acceptable gear types** for this fishery are dip nets and seines. Maximum mesh 1.5 inch stretch measure.

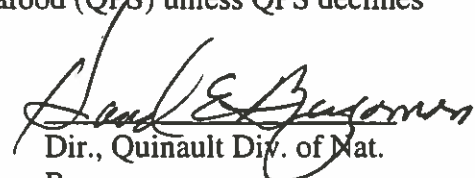
The reach of the Queets River open for the smelt fishery is the tidewater area, river mile 0.0 to the Highway 101 Bridge.

The Quinault Fisheries Department will monitor smelt fishery catches for species composition. This fishery may be terminated at anytime if **unacceptable levels of juvenile salmonid catches occur**.

Smelt harvest activities shall not hinder the gillnet fishery. All adult salmon and steelhead captured using smelt gear are required to be released immediately.

Only individuals whose treaty I.D. numbers are listed on the approved Queets River roster of fishers are eligible to participate in the commercial aspect of this fishery. Commercial sales are restricted to the Quinault Pride Seafood (QPS) unless QPS declines to purchase smelt.


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