

Food, Social and Ceremonial Fishery Opening

Date: Saturday, October 24, 2015

Time: 08:00-18:00

Species: Target is Chum. Coho, Chinook and Sockeye may also be taken as FSC.

Gear: Gill Net (Max Mesh Size. 6 Inches)

Area: A portion of Subarea 23-1 from the Highway 4 Bridge crossing the Somass River, downstream to a line perpendicular to river flow at the entrance to Clutesi Haven Marina Boat Ramp and, a portion of Subarea 23-1 and 23-2 from the power lines crossing the lower Somass River near the Catalyst Mill then south into the Inlet to a line from Ten Mile Point to the point immediately south of hook Bay.

The following areas remain closed to gillnet fishing.

From the the entrance to Clutesi Marina downstream to the power lines crossing the Somass River near the Catalyst Mill.

There is a general 300 metre radius boundary closure on all creeks and rivers in the nlet within the above described area except the Somass River.

There is also an extended closed area near the mouth of Cous Creek which includes an area bounded on the north by a line beginning at a point on the west side of the Inlet located at 49 11.391 North 124 49.384 West then in an easterly direction to a point on Vancouver Island located at 49.11.391 North 124 48.748 West and bounded on the south by a line on beginning at a point on the west side of the Inlet on Vancouver Island located at 49 10.451 North 124 49.798 West then in an easterly direction to a point on Vancouver Island at 49.10.451 North 124 48.630 West.

Reporting Requirements: Hupacasath fisheries staff will be on site issuing landing slips and recording catch totals. It is a condition of the licence that all catch must be reported, so co-operation with monitors is required.

Who May Fish?

All members of Hupacasath First Nation are authorized to fish under this licence. Food caught on this licence is for food, social and ceremonial purposes; sale of fish is not permitted.

Special Notice:

Alberni Valley Enhancement Association (AVEA) volunteers will be stationed at Clutesi collecting eggs and milt from ripe chum that were caught in the Somass River. Co-operation with volunteer staff is appreciated. The goal of this important project is to boost future returns of chum to the Somass River.