



Fisheries Update September 19th

Upcoming Fisheries...

Thursday September 20th 7 AM – 7PM Coho FSC Fishery

Species: Target coho, Chinook and Chum

Gear: Gill Net (Min mesh size 6 inches) Please avoid larger mesh sizes as the target species is coho.

Area: Gill nets may be used in portions of Subarea 23-1 and 23-2 from Paper Mill Dam Pool in the Somass River then downstream into Alberni Inlet to a line drawn from Hocking Point due east to the opposite shore except for the following areas listed below which remain closed.

- That portion of subarea 23-1 in the Somass River from the upstream entrance to McCoy Pool downstream to the Highway 4 Bridge crossing.
- That portion of subarea 23-1 in the Somass River from a line drawn perpendicular to the flow of the river to both shore lines which passes through the green can buoy at the entrance to the Clutesi Marina Boat Ramp then downstream to a line drawn parallel with the power lines in the lower Somass River near the Pulp Mill.

Use of Fish: The fish caught during opening will be for distribution to the community.

Fish Distribution Friday September 21st

Hupacasath First Nation is planning to hold a distribution of coho and Chinook Friday September 21st, 2018. Check in will be open from 9 am till 10am with the distribution starting at 10am.

The fish that are distributed will be for Food, Social and Ceremonial purposes and as such **NO SALES WILL BE PERMITTED**. Please bring appropriate containers to transport your fish. The distribution will happen once the check-in period closes and is anticipated to last until approximately 11am. If you leave and have not returned by this time your share will be forfeited. At this time any remaining fish will be handed out or sent for processing.

Designations will be permitted for all members.

ESSR Coho requests

The intention of this notice is to determine the interest of the membership in having a distribution of coho from the ESSR harvest at Robertson Creek Hatchery.



Depending on availability there may be a small amount of coho available for distribution. **Sale of this fish is not permitted.** It is expected that this distribution would occur late next week (September 27th or 28th)

We are requesting that members who are interested in collecting a share of this distribution contact Graham by phone at (250-724-4041 ext. 32) or email graham@hupacasath.ca. Please indicate how many fish you would like so we can get an accurate number of fish that should be harvested. There is no guarantee that you will receive the number of fish that you request.