

## **This is the Suquamish Shellfish Hotline for Thursday, January 26, 2023**

For all shellfish openings, you must read regulations online, on the Fisheries web page.

<https://suquamish.nsn.us/home/departments/fisheries/tribal-fishing-hunting/>

### **CRAB COMMERCIAL OPENINGS**

#### **Region 1**

**Catch Areas 20A, 20B, 21A, 22A, and 22B – See closed sections within these areas on regulation**

Is open,

Closes: 5PM Tuesday, February 28, 2023, or when the treaty share is harvested,

Gear limit: 50 pots per boat

### **CRAB SUBSISTENCE OPENINGS**

- Region 2E (Catch Area 26AE) – closes 4PM January 9, 2023
- Region 4 (Catch Areas 26B & 26C)
- Region 2W (Catch Areas 26AW, 25B, & 25D)
- Region 1 (Catch Areas 20B, 21A, 22A, and 22B)

Subsistence limit: 4 crab traps and 6 crabs per day

**Subsistence and ceremonial crab harvests require a permit from the fisheries office; please call 360-394-8450 during office hours Monday to Friday, 8AM to 4:30PM.**

### **CLAM & OYSTER COMMERCIAL OPENINGS**

#### **1) Clam dig Monday, January 30 from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

**Group:** **YELLOW & GREEN GROUPS and standbys**

**Location:** Liberty Bay, Pearson Point LB135-136

**Access:** **BOAT ACCESS AND EXIT ONLY.** Do not trespass on private upland property.

**Buyer:** Buyer will purchase clams on the beach at harvest site. Buyer will not provide bags.

*Check in begins at 4:30 pm. If you arrive late you will not be allowed to dig. YELLOW IFQ: 200 lbs., GREEN IFQ: remaining pounds divided equally up to 200 lbs. per digger approximately 4,000 pounds available.*

#### **1) Clam dig Tuesday, January 31 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm**

**Group:** **GREEN & BLUE GROUPS and standbys**

**Location:** Liberty Bay, Pearson Point LB129 LB130

**Access:** **BOAT ACCESS AND EXIT ONLY.** Do not trespass on private upland property.

**Buyer:** Buyer will purchase clams on the beach at harvest site. Buyer will not provide bags.

*Check in begins at 5:30 pm. If you arrive late you will not be allowed to dig. GREEN IFQ: 200 lbs., BLUE IFQ: remaining pounds divided equally up to 200 lbs. per digger approximately 4,000 pounds available.*

**1) Clam dig Wednesday, February 1 from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm**

**Group:** **BLUE & INDIGO GROUPS and standbys**  
**Location:** Dyes Inlet, Erlands Point EP18MN  
**Access:** Beach access through the Paul Benjamin Rd road end. Do not trespass on private upland property.  
**Buyer:** Buyer will purchase clams at the beach access point. Buyer will not provide bags.

*Check in begins at 6:30 pm. If you arrive late you will not be allowed to dig. BLUE IFQ: 200 lbs., INDIGO IFQ: remaining pounds divided equally up to 200 lbs. per digger approximately 4,000 pounds available*

**SUBSISTENCE CLAMS AND OYSTERS OPENINGS**

The following beaches are open for all oysters and clams, **except cockles:**

- Jeff Head Beach
- East Indianola Beach
- Tribal Center Beach **Closed for Oysters**
- WNW Point Bolin (Boat access only)
- Site 10 (Boat access only)
- Clam Island (Dyes Inlet)

**Opened to all Bivalves including cockles**

- Anna Smith Children's Park
- Fay Bainbridge State Park
- South Pt. Monroe
- Shine Tidelands
- Wolfe Property State Park

Harvesters must report totals to the fisheries office within 72 hours of harvest. Permits are required for ceremonial harvests.

**GEODUCK OPENINGS:**

Open for contracted Suquamish Seafood divers, as scheduled by Suquamish Seafood.

**CATCH REPORTING:**

All fishers must report all subsistence and commercial landings on a Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Ticket using a valid Suquamish fisherman's I.D. card.