## NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE SUBTIDAL GEODUCK EMERGENCY REGULATION

#2025-2026-10-modified

The Nisqually Indian Tribe promulgates the following regulation. This fishery shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Federal District Court Order CV 9213, Sub-proceeding No. 89-3.

DATE ADOPTED:

**September 17, 2025** 

**EFFECTIVE DATE(S):** 

September 24, 2025 - October 27, 2025 or until superseded

**SUPERSEDES:** 

#2025-2026-10

CATCH AREA (28A):

Wollochet East #10800 (Wollochet Bay Growing Area)

Nisqually (#13800) (Nisqually Reach Growing Area)

FISHERY TYPE:

Commercial

SPECIES:

Geoduck clam, Panopea abrupta

**ON/OFF RESERVATION:** 

Off

LEGAL GEAR:

High pressure, handheld water jet, continuous 5/8" inside

diameter

DAYS/HOURS:

Nisqually (#13800) (Nisqually Reach Growing Area)

will be open Thursdays, Fridays, & Saturdays.

from 8am to 4pm

Wollochet East #10800 (Wollochet Bay Growing Area)

will be open Wednesdays.

from 8am to 4pm

\*note divers must stay within the tract boundary <u>and</u> no

shallower than -25 feet (MLLW) and no deeper than -70 feet

MLLW on the Wollochet East tract.

**ESTIMATED EFFORT:** 

8 Vessels

**ESTIMATED HARVEST:** 

approximately 6,000 pounds per day

**QUOTAS:** 

Eligible returning divers may take up to 650 pounds of their

reallocation in Subregion C (the Nisqually area)

New and Recertified divers may take up to 200 pounds in

Subregion C (the Nisqually area.).

Eligible Boats may take up to 2,450 pounds in Subregion B

(the In-common area).

## REPORTING:

All geoduck clam sales must be recorded on Treaty Indian Fish Receiving Tickets. The following information should be included: 2012 Geoduck Atlas tract number, commercial pounds, harvester name, buyer name and harvester signature.

Subsistence pounds must be recorded separately on the monitor weigh out slips.

## **OTHER PROVISIONS**

Harvest activities must comply with the Tribal 2025/26 Annual Shellfish Regulations.

Only Nisqually Tribal members or NDNR staff are allowed on Nisqually vessels unless otherwise approved in writing by the Nisqually Fish Commission.

Commingling Geoduck clams from tracts is strictly prohibited. Geoduck must be weighed out and tagged prior to leaving the Tract.

All boat captains shall radio/call the geoduck monitor as each diver enters/exits the water.

Individuals are solely responsible for tracking the pounds remaining in their IDQ.

Sales of Subsistence and takehome pounds is prohibited.

Disposing of geoduck shell in marine waters is prohibited.

## **JUSTIFICATION:**

Harvest available Geoduck clam resource. Reallocation of remaining Nisqually TAC. Change in opening hours to reflect later sunrise

APPROVED:

Nisqually Fish Commission

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