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Dear Puget Sound Limited Participation Chum Fishery Applicant,

We would like to thank you for completing, and returning, applications for the Area 10/11 Limited Participation Chum Fishery and for your commitment to commercial fisheries management. On September 14, 2023, staff conducted a random drawing from the pool of license holders who returned completed applications. Completed applications were then entered to be randomly ordered in a single list of purse seine applicants and single list of gill net applicants.

Each week, applicants will be contacted down the list in the order drawn until we have six participating purse seine applicants and ten participating gill net applicants. If an applicant declines to participate, the next applicant on the list will be contacted. If the end of the list is reached, we will start over again from the top. When the applicant is contacted to confirm participation, they will be required to provide the name and location of their buyer. Applicants will be notified at least 24 hours in advance of a fishery opening for any given week (42-45). Open hours for each opening, during weeks 42-44, will be the normal hours for the Area 10/11 fishery, with gillnets open 5:00 PM to 9:00 AM and purse seines open 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Open hours change in week 45 making the new gillnet hours 4:00 PM to 8:00 AM and purse seine hours 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The specific days of week scheduled for South Sound openings will depend on the results of in-season run size assessments each week and the Hood Canal scheduled openings. Only license holders or their alternate operator, whomever is listed on their fisher ID card, are allowed to participate. If their listed vessel is unavailable, that applicant must immediately contact WDFW Licensing, submit a vessel change form, and receive a new imprint card. Applicants who were not in the top six and ten vessels per gear type, respectively, may be contacted as backups in the case a license holder is unable to participate. Please refer to the following pages for the complete list of applicants, and the results of the drawing, by gear type.

Selection in the Limited Participation fishery does not guarantee fishing opportunity. The limited participation fishery openings are pending a comanager agreed-to ISU between 350,000 and 460,000 chum. The Limited Participation and trip limit rules will be set to a weekly combined catch of 14,000 chum per management week (42, 43, 44, and 45). This will result in a one day per week opener in Area 10/11 with six purse seine boats with a daily trip limit of 1,600 chum per boat, and ten gillnet boats with a daily trip limit of 400 chum per boat. Please recall that if the comanager agreed-to ISU run size is larger than 460,000 in weeks 43-45, Area 10/11 will be open to full fleet fisheries. Fishing dates will be coordinated during weekly comanager ISU meetings, usually held on Tuesday afternoon each management week. As a reminder, the Limited Participation process only applies to South Puget Sound (Area 10/11), while Hood Canal (Area 12/12B) will be fully open as scheduled starting in week 42.

Participating in the Limited Participation fishery means you understand the requirement to take a state fishery observer on your vessel (WAC 220-354-050). Refusal to take an observer will disqualify you from participation, and the next eligible candidate will be selected.

Thank you,

Puget Sound Commercial Salmon Management Team

WDFW Fish Program

Gillnet Priority List

Priority Number	Vessel Name		
1	WN0469NM		
2	WN2406BF		
3	WN3848LA		
4	Bristol Sound		
5	Nettie B		
6	Captain Ace		
7	Home Plate		
8	C-Rae		
9	Toni M		
10	WN0266		
11	JanM (WN5323SH)		
12	Miss Mikayla		
13	Sanjo		
14	WN2845SF		
15	WN66415R		
16	Top Flite		
17	Katya Dawn		
18	Mount Royal		
19	Paul Marie		
20	Njord		
21	BP-1		
22	James Dean		
23	WN02933U		
24	WN9872MC		
25	Loki		
26	St Anthony (WN5234P)		
27	Li'l Tipsy (WN703CF)		

Purse Seine Priority List

Priority Number	Vessel Name		
1	Adirondack		
2	Pacific Raider		
3	D.C. Cole		
4	Home Shore		
5	Harbor Gem		
6	New Oregon		
7	Sofia Lynn		
8	Peyton Elizabeth		
9	Wisconsin		
10	Sequel		
11	Lisa Marie		
12	Silver Wave		
13	Tradition		
14	Jean D.		
15	Nancy Rose		
16	Marshal Tito		
17	Challenger		
18	Sea-Wolf		
19	Sound Star		
20	Reality		
21	Equator		
22	Yankee Boy		
23	Pamela Joyce		
24	Voyager		
25	Julie Ann		
26	Anita		
27	Ocean Dream		
28	Paragon		
29	Polarland		
30	Champion		
31	Lady Brenda		
32	Sea Fury		
33	St Janet		
34	Secret Island		
35	Cape Cheerful		
36	Maren E		
37	Loui M		