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Sent:	Wednesday, May 12, 2021 3:21 PM
То:	James Dixon - NOAA Federal
Cc:	Lorraine Loomis; Casey Ruff; Susan Bishop - NOAA Federal
Subject:	RE: Swinomish spring Chinook fishery schedule change - opening week 20

Thanks for the clarification James. We will be rescinding our regulation and will reconsider plans once the permit is available.

Pete

From: James Dixon - NOAA Federal <james.dixon@noaa.gov>
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Pete,

I appreciate the notice. The email sent out announcing the NMFS regulations were for the Ocean fisheries. We are still working on the biop for Puget Sound and I am looking to get an update out shortly. Please look for that very soon.

Thanks,

On Wed, May 12, 2021 at 2:49 PM Pete Kairis <<u>pkairis@swinomish.nsn.us</u>> wrote:

Hi James,

We just received word that the 2021-22 BiOp is finished and so are scheduling a spring Chinook fishery opening this week. Since we weren't able to fish week 19 because of BiOp timing, we're adjusting (shortening) the duration of the opening such that we are projected to remain impact-neutral on wilds, as described in more detail below:

In the preseason fishing package coming out of the final PFMC, Swinomish was scheduled to fish 4 days in week 18 and 4 days in week 19. The week 18 fishery in April was covered under the 2020-21 BiOp, so it proceeded as scheduled. However, because the 2021-22 BiOp was not ready in time for a week 19 fishery, Swinomish is adjusting our schedule to fish week 20 instead. The number of days fished will be reduced such that we will be projected to remain impact-neutral on wild spring Chinook, accounting for what was actually caught in week 18.

Original Swinomish Fishing Schedule:

Week	Week Beginning	Days	Projected Wild Chinook	Projected Hatchery Chinook	Actual Wild Chinook	Actual Hatchery Chinook
18	April 25	4	8	177	13	218
19	May 2	4	16	97	0	0
20	May 9	0	0	0	0	0
C&S	NA	NA	5	12	0	0
		Total:	29	286	13	218

In the original fishing schedule, Swinomish expected to catch a total of 29 wild spring chinook (including 5 C&S fish). In week 18, Swinomish caught 13 wild springs, meaning there are 16 pre-season modeled impacts available. (Because of the fishery delay, we are converting the 5 C&S to commercial harvest.)

Based on the tribal weekly harvest rate model "WKLY_HRS_2021-22 04-15-2021 Final with Final CkCoFRAM.xlsm", fishing 2.667 days (64 hours) in week 20 would result in a projected harvest of 16 wild springs. As that would allow us to remain impact-neutral, we will schedule a 2.667 day fishery running from 8 AM Thursday 5/13 to 11:59 PM Saturday 5/15. Please let me know if you'd like or need a copy of the WKLY_HRS spreadsheet.

Pete

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