



Public Notice

Nisga'a Marine Individual Sale Fishery

16 hour opening Tuesday, August 12th 6:00 to 22:00

The boundary for all marine IS openings is the DFO Salmon management Area 3-12 in front of Gingolx

**Participants are required to possess a valid
Nisga'a Fisheries Licence and IS Permit
Plus Transport Canada Certification.
All vessels must be Nisga'a owned.**

Coho/ Pink will be the target species for this fishery. but Sockeye salmon will also be purchased.

Any Chum, Chinook, or Steelhead caught should be released if healthy or otherwise taken as food. Please report any food catch to a NFWD catch monitor.

There will be no further Marine or In-river sale fisheries until further notice, due to low sockeye returns.

The Nass Sockeye run size and entitlement amounts will be monitored closely to determine if there are any further fishing opportunities in the future for the Nisga'a Sale fisheries.

Fish will be refused if it does not meet the quality standards established in Nisga'a Fisheries Regulations 2002. **Fish will be purchased only if:**

- **Bled immediately after removal from net, and**
- **Placed immediately in slush after bleeding**

Nisga'a Fisheries management has instructed DFO Enforcement to not permit vessels on the fishing grounds that:

- are less than 24 feet in length
- do not have PFD's for each person on board,
- have no operational VHF marine radio

Any vessels not meeting one of these requirements will be sent to shore or towed to shore to remedy the lack of any of these essential safety or regulatory requirements before being allowed to continue participating in any marine IS fishery.

As a reminder, limit for Sockeye is 1000 per permit, no limits for Coho or Pink

Permit Sales: Can be purchased at Nisga'a Fisheries office during regular business hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm) Monday to Saturday and at the Nisga'a Hall in Prince Rupert during their regular business hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm), from Monday to Friday. Or call Nisga'a Fisheries Program toll free number, 1-866-633-2145 for more information.