

**NISQUALLY INDIAN TRIBE
SUBTIDAL GEODUCK EMERGENCY REGULATION
#2025-2026-12**

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: November 24, 2025

EFFECTIVE DATE(S): December 03, 2025 – January 24, 2026 or until superseded

**TRACTS WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 24TH - JANUARY 1ST IN
OBSERVANCE OF HOLIDAYS.**

SUPERSEDES: none

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 and 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 Boats may take up to 550 pounds in Subregion B (the In-common area), and 2,100 pounds in Subregion C (the Nisqually 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.

Comingling 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.

APPROVED:


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