

Quinault Indian Nation

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2025 SPRING /SUMMER SMELT FISHERY SUBSISTENCE FISHING REGULATION – 01

TO: Queets Fishermen, Quinault Fisheries Enforcement

FROM: Queets River Fish Committee

Date: May 22, 2025

SUBJECT: Queets River Spring/Summer Smelt Subsistence Fishery- May 24, to June 30, 2025

FISHERY/PURPOSE: This regulation establishes the Queets River for subsistence smelt fishing from **6 am to 8 pm**, during the period of May 24, 2025, to June 30, 2025.

AREA: The reach of the Queets River open for the smelt fishery is the tidewater area, river mile 0.0 to the Highway 101 Bridge.

GEAR: Acceptable gear types for this fishery are dip nets and cast nets. Maximum mesh 1.0-inch stretch measure.

HARVEST LIMIT: 50 pounds per day per person. All adult and juvenile salmon and steelhead captured using smelt gear are required to be released immediately. Encounters should be reported to the Queets Fish Committee and Quinault Fisheries Department. **Smelt fishing shall cease when any juvenile salmonids are encountered during the fishing.**

PARTICIPATION: Only individuals whose treaty I.D. numbers are listed as members of the Quinault Indian Nation may participate in this fishery.

REPORTING: The date(s) fished, and number of pounds retained must be reported to the Quinault Department of Fisheries, 360-276-8215 ext. 552. The sale of smelt is prohibited.

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