



IN-SEASON ADJUSTMENT TO THE YUROK TRIBAL FISHING RIGHTS ORDINANCE

NUMBER: 2021-02
EFFECTIVE DATE: August 14, 2021
SUBJECT: 2021 Fall Elder Fishery

Section 17.20.110 of the Yurok Tribal Code and Section 1311 of the Fishing Rights Ordinance (below) permits the Tribe to hold an elder's fishery as a mechanism to provide fish to elders. To encourage the participation of Tribal fishers and increase the supply of fish to elders, the Council has adopted the following adjustments as allowed under YTC 17.20.110(h).

17.20.110 Elders' Fishery.

Eligible fishers are generally permitted and encouraged to give fish to elders. The Tribe may establish an Elders' Fishery to provide a mechanism to furnish additional fish to elders. The Elders' Fishery permits authorized eligible fishers to sell fresh Chinook salmon to the Tribe for distribution to elders and disabled Tribal members in accordance with the following provisions:

- (a) Commercial Certification Required. A fisher must have had the required training and signed the commercial fisher's contract.
- (b) Commercial Buoy Required. A fisher must use a commercial buoy.
- (c) Estuary Fish. The fish must be harvested from the estuary.
- (d) Adult Fish. Donated fish must be adult Chinook.
- (e) Unclipped Fish. The fisher must not clip the dorsal fin of elders' fish.
- (f) Commercial Quality Control Standards. The fish must be handled in accordance with the Commercial Fish Quality Control Requirements.
- (g) Transport of Fish. The fisher making the sale must transport the fish to the buying station at Requa by boat and cannot transport the fish by land.
- (h) Any additional requirement established by an adjustment. [Ord. 44 § 1311, adopted, 7/23/2015.]

In-season adjustment:

1. The elder's buying station will be located at the fish processing plant located at Requa Resort.
2. When elders fish are being purchased, the open hours of the buying station will be Friday through Sunday of each week, noon until 9 p.m. On Mondays the buying station will be open from 9:00 a.m. until noon, with the exception of Labor Day Weekend when the buying station will be open from noon until 9 p.m. on Monday (September 6) and from 9 a.m. until noon on Tuesday (September 7th). If fish are caught for the elder fishery outside of those hours, the fish must be maintained in accordance with section f above until the fish are able to be brought to the buying station.
3. The number of fall chinook authorized for purchase by the Tribe shall be 400 fish at a price of \$3.50/lb., paid on a bi-weekly basis. Receipts will be issued for fish sold and checks will be mailed out to the address listed on the receipts by the Fiscal Department.
4. To provide opportunity to multiple Tribal members, the maximum number of fish allowed to be sold by each certified Tribal member is 15 fish/day for the fall season. A maximum of 150 fish weekly will be purchased.
5. Due to COVID-19 and staffing issues, commercial certification (section a and b above) is not required.

Joseph James, Chairperson
Yurok Tribal Council

8/14/21

Date