

From: [BrownScott, Jennifer](#)
To: [Falzetti, David](#)
Subject: Public use, eelgrass and survey information
Date: Thursday, October 31, 2019 11:31:45 AM
Importance: High

Information regarding eelgrass surveys, waterfowl and shorebird estimates, and public use has recently been provided to Clallam County as part of the SEPA process relating to an application for commercial aquaculture in Dungeness Bay. This information is publicly available on the County's permit website http://websrv2.clallam.net/tm_bin/tmw_cmd.pl?tmw_cmd=StatusViewCase&shl_caseno=SHR2017-00011&projectcasetag=Y

Links specific to the requested information:

Information regarding shorebird and waterfowl estimates can be located in the refuge letter to the county on their website - listed as C9.3 Ex 24 to 34 (EXHIBITS 24 TO 34 RECEIVED AFTER DCD STAFF RPT). The letter can be located as exhibit 29 within the exhibit list: http://websrv2.clallam.net/tm_bin/tmw_cmd.pl?tmw_cmd=FileOp&shl_opt=download&shl_case_no=SHR2017-00011&shl_id=SHR2017-00011&shl_docfile=EXHIBITS+24+TO+34+RECEIVED+AFTER+DCD+STAFF+RPT. There is also a discussion regarding public use in this same letter.

The last eelgrass survey conducted by the Refuge (with assistance from the Tribe) was completed in 2016. The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's report related to this survey is listed as "E.5 Eelgrass Habitat Survey (SHR17-11 EELGRASS)": http://websrv2.clallam.net/tm_bin/tmw_cmd.pl?tmw_cmd=FileOp&shl_opt=download&shl_case_no=SHR2017-00011&shl_id=SHR2017-00011&shl_docfile=SHR17-11+EELGRASS, and discussed in the aforementioned letter to the County.

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe also conducted a survey in 2018. Refuge staff were not involved in this survey. Their report is listed as B1.5 Dungeness Bay Field Report 12-11-18 (DB Field Report): http://websrv2.clallam.net/tm_bin/tmw_cmd.pl?tmw_cmd=FileOp&shl_opt=download&shl_case_no=SHR2017-00011&shl_id=SHR2017-00011&shl_docfile=DB+FIELD+REPORT

We hope these links provide the information that Judi is looking for.

-jennifer

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Judith White** <drwhitej@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Oct 29, 2019 at 6:49 PM
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Refuge closed sundown to sunset
To: Falzetti, David <david_falzetti@fws.gov>

Dave,

I hope you don't mind if I ask you to answer a few basic refuge questions to help in preparations of comments for County. Or, forward this e-mail to those who may be able to answer.....

- 1) Why is the refuge closed from dusk to dawn
- 2) When was the last eelgrass survey done
- 3) Are your estimates for overwintering ducks still 8K and Brant 1.5K?
- 4) anything else to know?

Appreciate your response, hopefully soon. Time is important now, many working on this.

Judi

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