

Appendix C

Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
Dungeness Shellfish Farm Operational Plan

Dungeness Bay Oyster Farm General Operation Plan

| | Timing | Site Visit Duration (hrs.) | # Visits per month | # people on site per day | Tidal Range for visit (MLLW) | Activity |
|---------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| *Gear placement /removal | Late Apr. – May & Mid Oct. – Mid Nov. | 4 - 6 | 5 - 6 | 7 - 15 | +1 to -2.5 | Set up &/or removal of on-bottom bags |
| Bag Maintenance | Year Round | 4 - 6 | 2 - 6 | ~3 - 6 | +1 to -2.5 | Manually flip bags, remove biofouling |
| Harvest | Year Round | 4 - 6 | 2 - 6 | ~4 - 6 | +1 to -2.5 | Manually harvest beach oysters or oyster bags |

The USFWS recommended annual time period where shellfish farm activities would be least sensitive to Refuge wildlife and habit: March 15 – April 15, June, July and October 15 – November 15 (See USFWS April 4, 2018 comment letter). All higher intensity farm activities, such as gear placement and removal, will generally align with these time periods. Year-round shellfish farm activities, which include on-bottom bag maintenance and oyster harvest, involves few workers (~ 3-6 individuals) and infrequent site access. It is anticipated that farm maintenance and harvest activities will require no more than 4-6 site visits per month (an average of 1 site visit per week) during low tides. During spring/summer months (March – September) workable low tides will occur primarily during daylight hours and in fall/winter months (October – February) workable low tides will occur almost exclusively at night. Oyster bags stacked for harvest are retrieved from the site during high tide using a mechanized lift; there is no corresponding onsite activity.