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Hi Jennifer,

I wanted to share the final media response on their inquiry. I also shared it with Hansi as a courtesy heads up. She said she appreciated it. Thank you for your help with this.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is currently assessing issues related to access to seasonally closed portions of Dungeness National Wildlife Refuge by the Tribe for the aquaculture project. Where applicable, the Service determines if a proposed use is compatible with purposes of the refuge. If developed, a written compatibility determination has a minimum 14 day public review period. Washington DNR, the Army Corps of Engineers and Clallam County are the agencies responsible for the permits and leases issued for the project. We defer comments on the processes and monitoring requirements to those agencies. The Service will continue to work with the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe and other agencies on this matter. The Service is responsible for addressing potential impacts to plants and wildlife on the refuge.

Thanks and please take care,
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