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This licence is issued under the authority of SECTION 4 OF THE ABORIGINAL COMMUNAL FISHING LICENCES REGULATIONS.

This licence is not intended to define an Aboriginal right to fish or its scope; however, for the fishing season, it is intended to provide a mechanism, for reasons of proper management and control of the fisheries and conservation and protection of fish, for requiring compliance with the provisions of this licence.

This licence is subject to the *Fisheries Act* and regulations thereunder, and confers the authority to fish under the following conditions: Food, Social, and Ceremonial purposes.

# **Period of Activity:**

Licence Holder may harvest during the periods further described in the Terms and Conditions and Species Gear and Areas portion of this licence document.

**Licence Holder:** 

FIN: 123996

181 NAWISHASKIN LANE MERRITT BC V1K 1N2 LOWER NICOLA INDIAN BAND

Contact Number: 250-378-5157 Fax Number: 250-378-6188

# **Allowable Fishing Times:**

Fishing periods defined for a species supersede all periods defined in this section.

Start: Saturday, September 16, 2023 at 00:01 End: Friday, September 22, 2023 at 23:59

**Details:** Interior Fraser Coho window closure begins on September 16 at 00:01 hours in the Fraser from Sawmill

Creek to Lytton and September 23 at 00:01 hours in Lytton to Thompson and Thompson downstream of the

Bonaparte to protect migrating Coho. Gill net use is not permitted.

Start: Saturday, September 23, 2023 at 00:01 End: Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 23:59

**Details:** Interior Fraser Coho window closure begins on September 16 at 00:01 hours in the Fraser from Sawmill

Creek to Lytton and September 23 at 00:01 hours in Lytton to Thompson and Thompson downstream of the

Bonaparte to protect migrating Coho. Gill net use is not permitted.

Start: Thursday, October 5, 2023 at 00:01 End: Saturday, October 7, 2023 at 23:59

**Details:** Interior Steelhead window closure begins on October 5 at 00:01 hours in the Fraser from Sawmill Creek to Lytton and October 8 at 00:01 hours in Lytton to Texas Creek and Thompson downstream of the Bonaparte

to protect migrating Steelhead. There is no salmon fishing at these times.

### Individuals or groups assisting with the authorized activity:

This licence is issued to the Lower Nicola Indian Band for and on behalf of their individual members.

Species, Quantity of Fish, Area(s) and Gear:

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Species: CHINOOK SALMON (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha); PINK SALMON (Oncorhynchus

gorbuscha);

Gear: Rod & Reel (unspecified)

Dip Net

Licence Area: Portions of SAWMILL CREEK TO TEXAS CREEK; Portions of THOMPSON RIVER TO

**BONAPARTE RIVER** 

Additional Descriptions: Fishing is permitted in the following areas:

1. In the waters of the Fraser River:

(i) From Sawmill Creek to Williams Creek; and

(ii) From Petch Creek to Texas Creek.

2. In the waters of the Thompson River:

(i) From the confluence with the Fraser River to the confluence with the Bonaparte River.

### **Additional Information:**

The maximum harvest amounts outlined in this licence are an annual maximum amount and are shared with the following other licence holders: Ashcroft First Nation, Scw'exmx Tribal Council, Nicomen First Nation, Siska Indian Band, Kanaka Bar Indian Band, Cook's Ferry, Spuzzum, Boston Bar and the Fraser Thompson Indian Services Society.

### **Terms and Conditions:**

#### **Definitions**

"DFO" means Fisheries and Oceans Canada (formerly Department of Fisheries and Oceans).

"First Nation" means First Nation noted as a Licence Holder in this Licence

"Fish" means those species of fish listed in Parts I & II of Schedule I of the Pacific Fishery Regulations, 1993, including herring spawn.

"Fishery" means fishing under the authority of this licence.

"Licence" means any type, kind or category of licence as defined in the Fishery (General) Regulations.

# Species, Quantity of Fish, Area(s), Dates, Times, Gear and Gear Identification

Subject to amendments to the conditions of this licence and subject to close times as may be varied by the Director-General, Pacific Region, DFO in accordance with the Fishery (General) Regulations, species of fish set out in this licence may be harvested under this licence,

- (a) in the maximum specified quantities,
- (b) during the specified dates and times,
- (c) with the specified gear, identified or marked in accordance with the specified method,
- (d) at the specified locations, and
- (e) in accordance with the other conditions,

set out in this licence.

Subject to closures and other terms and conditions of this licence, the authority to fish each species set out on this licence will expire on the date specified.

No person shall retain or possess non-target species including Coho, Sockeye, Steelhead or Sturgeon.



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Please refer to Fishery General Regulations Section 33. for Release of Incidental Catch.https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/SOR-93-53/FullText.html

## **Gear and Gear Identification:**

The following gear is permitted to be used for Salmon harvesting:

- (a) Rod and reel (Angling)
- (b) Dip nets.

### **Use of Fish**

Fish caught under this licence are for food, social and ceremonial purposes. Without prejudice to future agreements or regulations, sale of Fish caught under this licence is not permitted.

### **Designation of Individuals**

The First Nations will designate persons who may fish under the authority of this licence and will issue a designation card ("Designation Card") to each person, which will bear a unique designation number.

Designations are personal and non-transferable. Proof of designation must be carried at all times by designated persons while participating in the fishery or while transporting fish harvested in the fishery. Proof of designation must be presented to any Fishery Officer or Fishery Guardian upon request.

#### Catch Monitoring and Harvest Reporting

Catch monitoring will be conducted by the First Nation and DFO.

Catch information will be collected by the Nlaka'pamux Nation, as agreed upon with DFO technical staff and submitted to the DFO Lillooet office in a mutually determined format, on the Monday of each week, during the fishing season.

Catch and effort information will be reported to Cynthia Breau or a designated assistant. Contact information as follows:

Cynthia Breau, 654 Industrial Place, Lillooet, BC, V0K 1V0 Ph: 250-256-2652 Fax: 250-256-2660 email: Cynthia.Breau@dfo-mpo.gc.ca

## **Compliance with the Fisheries Act**

Pursuant to subsection 22(6) of the Fishery (General) Regulations, compliance with the Fisheries Act and the regulations made under the Act is a condition of this licence.

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Licence Printed: 14 September 2023 Licence Issued By: JACOB OMAJALI, Fisheries and Oceans Canada