



Licence Number: XFSC 311 2026

File Number: LFA-26-DR203/Lower Fraser Groups

Valid From: 04-Aug-2026

Expiry Date: 07-Aug-2026

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.

Licence/Permit Activity Description:

ABORIGINAL COMMUNAL FISHING LICENCE FOR LOWER FRASER FIRST NATION DRY RACK GROUPS FOR SALMON DRY RACK PURPOSES

Period of Activity:

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. Subject to closures and other terms and conditions of this licence, the authority to fish under this licence will expire on August 07, 2026, or earlier if DFO, after consultation with the First Nation has determined that the maximum quantity has been reached.

Licence Holders:

FIN: 108212	AITCHELITZ INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108213	CHAWATHIL INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108214	CHEAM INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108222	MATSQUI INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108223	PETERS INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108226	SEABIRD ISLAND INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108678	SHXW'OW'HAMEL FIRST NATION
FIN: 129860	SHXWHÁ:Y VILLAGE
FIN: 108228	SKWAH INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108230	SOOWAHLIE INDIAN BAND
FIN: 108232	SQUIALA FIRST NATION
FIN: 108233	SUMAS FIRST NATION



FIN: 108235 TZEACHTEN INDIAN BAND

FIN: 108236 UNION BAR FIRST NATION

Individuals or groups assisting with the authorized activity:

Aitchelitz

- Gordon George - Aitchelitz - 21-001
- Alicia Bailey - Aitchelitz
- Jimmy George - Aitchelitz - 21-004

Chawathil

- Arnold John – Chawathil – 12-047
- Deanna John - Chawathil - 12-088
 - Alternate Representative: Landon John - Chawathil
- Edna James - Chawathil - 12-160
 - Alternate Representative: Rose-Anna Joe - Chawathil
- Jeanie Kay - Chawathil - 12-016
- Peter Pete Sr. – Chawathil – 12-056
- Sam George - Chawathil
- Shane John - Chawathil - 12-051
- Susan Harris- Chawathil - 12-004
- Tammy George - Chawathil
- Julie Peters - Chawathil

Cheam

- Arthur Aleck - Cheam - 11-024
 - Alternate representatives: Eddy Julian
- Eugene Victor - Cheam - 11-014
 - Alternate representatives: Mary Victor
- Carl Leo – Cheam – 5840031801
- Denise Douglas - Cheam - 11-021
 - Alternate representatives: Jake Pike
- Daniel Edwards - Cheam - 5840035601
- Charles Douglas - Cheam - 11-108
- Charles K. Douglas - Cheam - 11-011
 - Alternate representatives: Robin Douglas
- Russel Williams - 10-004
- Elizabeth Phillips - Cheam
- Darwin Douglas - Cheam
 - Alternate representative: Charles Douglas
- Sid Douglas - Cheam - 11-019
 - Alternate representative: Jean Douglas
- Lyle Edwards - Cheam - 11-200
 - Alternate representative: Louie Edwards
- Vivian Shaw - Cheam
 - Alternate representatives: August Williams, Steven Williams Jr., Johnny Shaw
- Michael Victor - Cheam
 - Alternate representative: Carrie Victor

Leq'a:mel



- Natasha Kelly - Leq'a:mel

Matsqui

- Louis Julian R. - Matsqui - 24-144

Alternate representative: Beth Williams, Louis Julian Jr., Russel Williams

- Rod Tommy - 24-051

Alternate representative: Ken Tommy

Peters

- Robert Peters – Peters Band - 07-015

Alternate representative: Glen Peter, Casimir Peters

Seabird

- Aaron McNeil - Seabird - 17-151

Alternate representatives: Ethon McNeil

- Davon McNeil - Seabird

- Stacy McNeil - Seabird - 17-212

- Tyrone McNeil - Seabird - 17-183

- Francis Mussel - Seabird - 17-300

- Janice Parsey - Seabird - 17-024

Alternate representative: Richard Parsey - Seabird

- Nancy Jimmie - Seabird - 17-127

Alternate representatives: Shawn Harris - Seabird

- Sally Hope - Seabird - 17-173

- Arthur Andrews - Seabird - 17-053

- Bert Peters - Seabird - 17-112

- Rosalee Charles - Seabird - 17-122

Alternate representative: Kelsey Charles

- Alain Marchand - Seabird - 17-322

- Henry Pettis - Seabird Island - 17-032

- Paul Pettis - Seabird - 17-045

- Istvan Thomas - 17-336

- Rod Peters - 17-043

- Earnest Harry - Seabird - 17-013

- Brenon McIntyre - Seabird - 17-340

Alternate Representative: George Price (YFN 037)

Shxw'ow'hamel

- Martin Edwards – Shxw'ow'hamel

Alternate representatives: Shawna Peters

- Alfred James - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-082

- Mike Kelly – Shxw'ow'hamel – 14-008

Alternate representative: Justin Kelly

- Lenora Fraser – Shxw'ow'hamel – 14-058

- Shane James - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-068

- Genevieve George - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-032

- Darlene Fraser - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-014

- Albert (Sonny) McHalsie - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-035

- Joe Andrews - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-050

- Brian Fraser - Shxw'ow'hamel - 14-003

Skwah

- August Williams – Skwah – 10-150

- Lester Mussell – Skwah – 10-022



Alternate representative: Rajah Sandu-Mussel - Skwah - 10-173

- Corey Mussell - Skwah - 10-112
- Neal Mussell - Skwah - 10-016

Alternate representative: Talrah Sandu-Mussell - Skwah

- Sheila Stewart - Skwah - 10-122
- Lakota Julian - Skwah
- Dean Williams - Skwah
- Eddie Williams - Skwah

Shxwha:y Village

- Terry St. Germaine - Shxwha:y - 27-151

Alternate representative: Robert Sanford - Skwah

Skowkale

- Wendy Ritchie

Skawahlook

- Bill Davis - Skawahlook

Soowahlie

- Darrell Commodore – Soowahlie - 18-235
 - Perry Wallace - Soowahlie - 18-010
- Alternate representatives: Richard Fillardeau
- Aaron Commodore - Soowahlie

Squiala

- Allen Jimmie – Squiala - 28-006
- Alternate representatives: Sheldon Jimmie, Sara Jimmie, Sonia Jimmie
- Alex Jimmie - Squiala - 28-055
 - Alvin Jimmie Sr. - Squiala - 28-010
 - Marguerita Marchand - Squiala - 28-045
- Alternate representatives: Alain Marchand, Sean Andrew, and Dustin Charlie.
- Stephen Jimmie - Squiala - 28-053

Sumas

- Kelsey Ned - Sumas - 19-143
- Alternate representatives: Rod Tommy, Jeff Tommy, Roberta Silver
- Lester Ned Jr. - Sumas - 19-004
 - Henry Ned - Sumas

Tzeachten

- Lorna Prescott - Tzeachten
 - Melvin Malloway II - Tzeachten - 29-065
- Alternate Representative: Melvin Malloway III - Tzeachten
- Ken Malloway - Tzeachten - 29-003
 - Mike Roberts - Tzeachten - 29-130
 - Debbie Malloway - Tzeachten - 29-010
 - Melvin Malloway Sr. - Tzeachten - 29-006
 - Dwayne Malloway - Tzeachten - 29-033

Union Bar

- Roland Wells - Union Bar – 06-006
 - Kevin Garner – Union Bar – 06-023
- Alternate representative: Mathew Garner



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- Fred Quipp - Union Bar - 06-002

Yakweakwioose

- Jayson Malloway - Yakweakwioose - 26-211

Designations are personal and non-transferable. Participants who fish under this licence shall carry their Designation or Band Card to establish their membership in the First Nation while participating in the Fishery and while transporting fish harvested in the Fishery and will present such documentation on request by any fishery officer or fishery guardian.

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

Licence Holder: All
Species: SOCKEYE SALMON (*Oncorhynchus nerka*)
Allowable Fishing Times: Start Date: Tuesday, August 4, 2026
End Date: Friday, August 7, 2026
Times: 06:00 - 21:00 daily
Gear: Dip Net
Gillnet, Set, River
Licence Area: HOPE TO SAWMILL CREEK

Additional Descriptions: Gear and Gear Identification: The following gear is permitted:

During each opening in the Fishery, each Designated Participant may fish using one Set Net and one Dip Net.

Set Nets on condition that:

Only one set net is to be used at each of the designated sites. These set nets must be attended by the participants listed in the Designation of Participants section of this licence;

They do not exceed a maximum of 16.6 fathoms or 100 feet in length; and a maximum depth of 60 meshes with maximum mesh size of 5 7/8".

They are identified by a floating buoy prominently displaying the Participant's designation number. The Participant's designation number shall be the only number displayed on the buoy;

All Set Nets fished from poles shall have buoys attached to the end of the net farthest from the beach by means of a tag line of sufficient length to allow the buoys to be on the surface of the water and clearly visible for inspection at all times.

Dip Nets on condition that:

Participants are allowed to use Dip nets subject to the instruction of elders in proper dipping techniques, including safety measures.

Area:

Fishing is permitted in the waters of the mainstem Fraser River located between Bristol Island and Sawmill Creek, at each Participant's traditional Wind Dry Rack site.

Terms and Conditions:



Definitions:

"DFO" means Fisheries and Oceans Canada;

"Dip Net" means a net on a circular frame at the end of a pole that is used from shore;

"Set Net" means a gillnet that is either tied to shore at one end and anchored in the river at the other end, or anchored in the river at both ends, or tied to the shore at one end and tied to a net pole at the other end.

"First Nations" means the Aitchelitz, Chawathil, Cheam, Matsqui, Peters, Seabird, Shxw̓ha:y, Shxw̓owhamel, Skwah, Soowahlie, Squiala, Sumas, Tzeachten, Union Bar.

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

"FVAFS" means the Fraser Valley Aboriginal Fisheries Society that will deliver the area catch monitoring program for FSC fisheries, except those fisheries conducted by the Yale First Nation;

"Participant" means an individual designated in accordance with this licence to fish under the authority of this licence;

"Wind Dry Rack Licence" means a licence issued by DFO designating a person for the purposes of catching fish for preserving using traditional drying methods.

Species:

The Fishery is limited to a harvest of **Sockeye salmon** (*Oncorhynchus nerka*) and an incidental harvest of **Chinook salmon** (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*).

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

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>

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 Participants:

A designation list of Participants will be created and collected by FVAFS Fisheries office and a copy will be forwarded by FVAFS Fisheries office to the Chilliwack DFO office (604-858-0002) and the Lower Fraser DFO office at Annacis Island office (604-666-7112) before the start of the dry rack Fishery.

Proof of Band membership shall be a Band status card or a letter of authorization issued by the Band. Designations are personal and non-transferable. Participants who fish under this licence shall carry their designation card to establish their membership in the band while participating in the fishery and while transporting fish processed in the fishery and will present such documentation on request of any Fishery Officer.

Catch Monitoring and Harvest Reporting:

All Participants must report the number and species of fish caught in the Fishery, as well as the number of fish retained to Ron Williams at FVAFS (Tel: 1-604-799-5331) immediately following the Fishery.

FVAFS will collect all catch statistics and report this information to Karen Burnett, Management Biologist at the DFO



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office at Annacis Island Tel: (604) 230-7615 Fax: (604) 666-7112 within 48 hours of the Fishery on the Catch Reporting Form provided by DFO.

Processing:

Fish caught under this licence must be cleaned at the wind dry rack sites and immediately processed by being dried using traditional dry rack technology.

Any fish that is unsuitable for wind dry rack purposes must be canned, smoked or salted in the traditional method.

No fish caught under this licence will be removed from the wind dry rack sites until it has been processed.

Other Provisions:

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 Issued By: BRANDON WOOD, Fisheries and Oceans Canada