

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATED TO SALMON TOPICS NOT ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA

From: Noel Larson <balanophylliaelegans@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 11:04 AM  
Subject: allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hi My name is Noel Larson. I was a deckhand and naturalist on Mystic Sea in 2013 and I fell in love with Killer Whales in the Salish Sea. Please set aside and release Chinook Salmon for the Southern Resident Orca Whale Population. Thank you for all you do!!

I know live in Duluth, MN and these marine mammals still hold a special place in my heart. I don't want them to be gone forever.

If there is anything else I can do to help in turn please let me know!

Sincerely,  
Noel Larson

From: <keith@ckwentworth.org>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 11:17 AM  
Subject: Food for Orcas  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov, Keith Wentworth <keith@ckwentworth.org>

Please allocate at least 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs.

Keith Wentworth  
keith@ckwentworth.org

From: KIM RICE <kimballw@mac.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 11:22 AM  
Subject: Endangered orcas  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

To the Pacific Salmon Commission:

I am writing to beg you to do everything in your power to save the Southern Resident Orcas from extinction. The story we are all watching unfold — of the grieving mother orca trying for 6 days now to get the lifeless body of the baby she carried inside her for 17 months to breathe — is heart-breaking. It is drawing the attention of the world to the plight of these creatures whom we have brought to the brink of extinction. We have done this through our failure to protect the chinook salmon that sustain them and to protect the environment from noise and pollution.

Their last best chance at survival is for you to act. It is your moral imperative to do so - and the world is watching.

Sincerely,

Kim and Jim Rice  
Citizens of San Juan Islands and the Salish Sea  
Members of Friends of the San Juans

From: Elaine Kendall <elainemkendall@yahoo.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 11:38 AM  
Subject: Chinook allocation  
To: "info@psc.org" <info@psc.org>  
Cc: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I urge you to allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales. Our orcas deserve to survive!!

Elaine Kendall  
180 Sweet Earth Ln.  
Friday Harbor, WA 98250

From: Chris Greacen <chrisgreacen@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 11:57 AM  
Subject: Please ensure sufficient salmon for the Orca  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please allocate half a million Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs. Humans can either other stuff, but without sufficient salmon the Southern Resident Killer Whales will become extinct.

Best,  
Chris  
Chris Greacen, Ph.D.  
44 Tuatara Rd.  
Lopez Island, WA 98261  
USA: +1 360 468 3189

From: ann mccague <annmccague@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 1:24 PM  
Subject: Our Orca Whales are in trouble  
To: info@psc.org, pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

As a resident of the San Juan Islands, I join others in our plea to allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River to the endangered SRKWs.

These beings are a majestic and important part of our eco system, and it is for the benefit as well as our obligation to ensure their survival.

Sincerely,  
Ann McCague

From: stephen shubert <stephen.shubert@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 2:27 PM  
Subject: Save the Orcas  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please reserve 500,000 chinook salmon to feed these declining, starving and endangered creatures. Much of our tourist industry on the San Juan Islands rely on these animals to draw tourists to our islands.

Based on estimates of food requirements the average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

From: Kristie Kujawski <kkujawski@centurylink.net>

Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 3:06 PM  
Subject: Southern Resident Killer Wales Need More Chinook  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

To: US Pacific Salmon Commissioners: Mr. Robert Turner (Chair), Mr. Phil Anderson, Mr. McCoy Oatman, Mr. Charles Swanton, Mr. W. Ron Allen, Mr. William F. Auger, Mr. Rick Klumph

Canadian Pacific Salmon Commissioners: Ms. Rebecca Reid (Vice-Chair), Mr. John McCulloch, Mr. Murray Ned, Mr. Bob Rezanoff, Mr. Brian Assu, Ms. Susan Farlinger, Dr. Brian E. Riddell, Mr. Paul Sprout

While it is well-known that the Southern Resident Killer Wales (SRKWs) are endangered, the recent story of a mother, J35, carrying her dead calf, is absolutely heartbreaking and illustrates the severity of the crisis faced by these highly intelligent animals. This calf likely died of starvation. It's highly likely, due to the mother's poor nutrition, the calf did not have its fat reserves when born.

Our resident Orcas area a precious, precious gift. They need more Chinook salmon, whose numbers are dwindling for a variety of reasons. I am asking you to take the following measures to protect the remaining resident Orcas:

1. Allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs. The average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population of 75. At least 500,000 salmon a year are needed if we want the population to grow.
2. Work with WA State and BC governments to do the following:
  - Give SRKWs their fair share of the salmon – US should follow Canada's lead and take immediate action to increase prey availability and conserve Chinook salmon.
  - Reduce vessel noise - give SRKWs the protection they need to communicate and hunt for the scarce Chinook salmon.
  - Protect our shorelines - healthy shorelines, eelgrass, and spawning beaches are needed for the forage fish that Chinook salmon depend on.
3. Advocate for a public moratorium on the catching and sale of Chinook salmon for public consumption until this crisis passes. Assess impact on those who rely on this to make a living, estimate the cost of monetarily supporting them during this moratorium, and sell the need for this to the taxpayers. My husband and I have already stopped buying salmon and would gladly pay more taxes to support the people in this industry. People in Washington State and BC like to think of themselves as environmentalists, and it's time we all start putting our money and energy towards fixing these disasters.

Thank you,  
Kristie Kujawski  
Greg Routt  
Freeland, Washington

From: David & Geri <davidgeri@centurylink.net>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 3:59 PM  
Subject: whale deaths  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hello,

We've just lost a newborn calf here in the Salish Sea. For 6 days the heartbroken mother has been carrying the baby on her nose.

Based on estimates of food requirements, the average southern resident killer whales (SRKW) may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow. Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs.

Thank you,  
David and Geri Turnoy  
Eastsound, WA

From: mary guard <guard52@yahoo.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 5:11 PM  
Subject: Help the Southern Resident Killer Whales  
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

To Whom It May Concern:

I sent this letter to the Pacific Salmon Commission and wanted you to read my comments as well.

I live in the San Juan Islands and am extremely concerned about the the survival of the Southern Resident Killer Whales. The SRKW are down to just 75 whales, and we have just witnessed the heartbreaking loss of J35's newborn calf.

The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for the SRKW. Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKW.

Based on the food requirements, the average SRKW may consume 18 to 25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. This estimate is at the low end of the spectrum, and at that calculation, the SRKW would require approximately 1,500 salmon each day and at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

Please consider helping our endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales.

Sincerely,  
Mary Guard

From: jamie <jamierattlebrain@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 2:18 PM  
Subject: SRKW  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Do not let the SRKW go extinct. Allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the Southern Residents as they near extinction.

Jamie Rackley  
Lee Schiff  
Friday Harbor, 98250

From: <mariagmnz@aol.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 5:18 PM  
Subject: SRKW  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I am writing to help the whales get enough to eat. Please allocate 500,00 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs.

Based on estimates of food requirements the average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

Thanks,  
Maria Gimenez

From: Shaun Hubbard <shaunalice@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 5:30 PM  
Subject: Orcas need Chinook Salmon Now!  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission & Pacific Fishery Management,  
Please allocate at least 500,000 Chinook salmon for the endangered SRKWs!  
Our Southern Resident Killer Whales (SRKWs) need our help!!  
The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for our SRKWs where 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain their population (at least 80% of the SRKWs' diet consists of Chinook salmon). That means the orca need at least 500,000 salmon a year if the population is to grow— not just from the Fraser River watershed, but all salmon rivers in the Salish Sea.  
Thank you.

Ms. Shaun Hubbard  
PO Box 805  
Friday Harbor WA 98250

From: Liza Michaelson <lizamichaelson@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 8:50 PM  
Subject: It's time to take action!  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission,  
I am a 40 year resident of San Juan Islands, and I am concerned beyond words at what is happening to our whales. In light of the traumatic situation for the Orcas, I ask you to please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs.

Thank You,  
Liza Michaelson  
po box 2835  
Friday Harbor  
San Juan Island, WA 98250

From: Colin Sternagel <cj.sternagel@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 9:23 PM  
Subject: Save Orcas  
To: info@psc.org, pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please moratorium whale watching or impose more extreme limits to viewing. Breach unnecessary dams, put aside shoreline for habitat, and do all that is possible to help this marvelous creature and all subsequent species in connection with them, like us!

Colin

From: Julia Deak Sandler <juliadeak@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Jul 30, 2018 at 10:33 PM  
Subject: give the orcas their food!  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Council members,  
Based on estimates of food requirements, the average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are

required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow. Learn more from the Center for Whale Research.

I urge you to allocate this half million Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs. We must keep our fragile local ecosystem intact, as we are a part of it as well.

Thank you,  
Julia Sandler  
Seattle resident

From: Courtney Leake <courtney.leake@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 31, 2018 at 10:18 AM  
Subject: Plea for the SRKWs  
To: "info@psc.org" <info@psc.org>  
Cc: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission,

Please allocate at least 500,000 Chinook Salmon from the Fraser River for the extremely Endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales.

If there is anything else I can do, or we can do to help, please let me know. Thank you.

With hope,  
Courtney Leake

From: jonisdavis <jonisdavis@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 31, 2018 at 12:52 PM  
Subject: Orcas need salmon!  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission:

Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered SRKWs. They are at risk of extinction, and this short term move can help while we work to get the dams removed from their spawning beds on the Snake River.

Thank you!  
Jonis Davis  
2356 17th Ave S  
Seattle 98144

From: Peggy Ratermann <ratermann.peggy@gmail.com>  
Date: Wed, Aug 1, 2018 at 9:02 AM  
Subject: Orcas  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please, please help the orcas of the Salish Sea by allocating 500,000 salmon from the Fraser River for these endangered animals!

Thank you,  
Peggy Ratermann  
Skagit Valley, Washington

From: janis miltenberger <janismiltenberger@yahoo.com>  
Date: Wed, Aug 1, 2018 at 7:30 AM  
Subject: Orca's habitat  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission,

Our Southern Resident killer whale population is at an all time low, they are in critical need of food and calm shelter.  
Allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River  
Reduce vessel noise

The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for the SRKWs. Based on estimates of food requirements the average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

This needs to be done now, it is by our actions alone that we can save these whales.

Lopez Island Resident,  
Janis Miltenberger

From: Courtney V Harris <courtneyvharris@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 31, 2018 at 10:57 PM  
Subject: Southern Resident killer whale concerns  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission,

I am writing because I am deeply concerned about the dwindling population of endangered Southern Resident Orca whales, at their lowest numbers in 30 years. I know there are a number of factors involved, but one thing we can do to help these creatures survive is ensure that they have enough to eat.

The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for the Southern Resident killer whales. Based on estimates of food requirements the average SRKW may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our SRKW population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

I am requesting that you consider allocating 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for the endangered Southern Resident killer whales, to help ensure that they have enough food for survival.

These whales are at the heart and soul of our region. I haven't been able to see one live and in person as of yet, but I hope that the opportunity for that will still be available for generations to come.

Sincerely,  
Courtney V. Harris  
courtneyvharris@gmail.com  
206.484.0593

From: Kim <kmcclees@rockisland.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 31, 2018 at 5:31 PM  
Subject: Action for SRKWwhales  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear PSC and PFMC:

As you know the SRKWhales Are going extinct if you do not act!!  
This latest sad story of J-35 carrying her dead calf for 7 days should make it clear they are starving.  
Please allocate 500,000 Chinook Salmon from the Fraser River for them immediately. They need 1,500 per day to thrive.

Thank you for doing the right thing now!

Sincerely,  
Kim McClees

From: Mary Ruth Holder <mruthholder@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Jul 31, 2018 at 5:00 PM  
Subject: Southern Resident Killer Whales  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

The world is watching as our beloved critically endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales slowly starve to death. J 35 has been carrying her dead daughter for days now as if begging us to help or perhaps as one Orca expert put it, pleading "why, why, why?." J35 will no doubt perish with her daughter. You can and you must HELP these Whales and prevent more painful starvation deaths. PLEASE allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from the Fraser River for these endangered SRKWs.

From: Alexa Weidner <alexa.weidner@gmx.de>  
Date: Wed, Aug 1, 2018 at 4:19 PM  
Subject: Save the Orca population  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hi,

I am writing to you because the wellbeing of our local orca whales is concerning me and everyone I know. We deeply care about their protection and feel they need to get more Salmon to survive. Please allocate at least 500,000 salmon from the Fraser River to help them!.

Thank you,  
Alexa Weidner

From: Carol <syleake@comcast.net>  
Date: Thu, Aug 2, 2018 at 10:33 AM  
Subject: Chinook salmon crisis  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hoping that we're not too late to save our resident Orcas, I realize the numerous factors that need to be addressed and the absence is of Chinook salmon being of utmost importance. Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered SRKWs.

Thank you for your consideration and work toward a positive outcome.  
Carol Leake  
Issaquah, Wa



From: Sandhya Prashad, MD <sandhya@sprashadmd.com>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 12:01 PM  
Subject: Chinook salmon for southern resident killer whales  
To: info@psc.org, pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales.

Sandhya J. Prashad, MD

From: Charlotte Koons <ajustpeace@optonline.net>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 10:32 AM  
Subject: Save the starving whales!  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

As a person living on Eaton's Neck, LI, NY, surrounded by Harbor, Bay, and Sound, and whose totem has long been the whale, I urge you to allocate 500,000 Chinook Salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered ORCAS and for J35!

This is the wisest action, since the whales are such vibrant, intelligent creatures and part of a critical oceanic biome!

Charlotte Koons  
Northport, NY  
631-261-8590

From: Kristi Fazio <KFazio@roundstoneinsurance.com>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 10:12 AM  
Subject: SRKW  
To: "info@psc.org" <info@psc.org>  
Cc: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

The situation with J35 has broken my heart and awakened me to the crisis these orcas are facing. I implore you, help them. Please allocate at least 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for this endangered species.

Thank you!  
Kristi Fazio

From: Trudy Ann <teyunaSe@hotmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 10:06 AM  
Subject: Please help the starving orcas get enough to eat  
To: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

The orca's desperation is heartbreaking, and all caused by human activity / infrastructure. We are the ones who can help. Especially, in your capacity, your agency can help.

The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for the Southern Resident Orcas. I urge you to allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered Orcas, and for J35. She is still trying to be a mother, though her calf has died. She appears to be trying to keep her calf afloat, as he was starved and with too little blubber to float.

Based on estimates of food requirements the average whale may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our Orca population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

Thank you!!!  
Trudy Cooper

From: Eric Birkhauser <ericbirkhauser@gmail.com>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 9:23 AM  
Subject: Protecting the Chinook  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Hello,

Given the recent tragedy of the loss of another calf to the J pod, it has come to my attention that the most critical aspect to helping these resident Orcas is protecting their food source, the Chinook salmon. I would like to inquire on ways that I can be helpful to advocate for their protection, persons / politicians to contact, and or meetings to participate in, thank you in advance for your insight and thoughts on the matter!

Kind Regards,  
Eric

From: Lyna Hinkel <lynahinkel@gmail.com>  
Date: Sun, Aug 5, 2018 at 7:25 AM  
Subject: Help the whales get enough to eat!  
To: info@psc.org, pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Dear Pacific Salmon Commission and the Pacific Fishery Management Council

The Salish Sea includes the core summer foraging area for the Southern Resident Orcas. I urge you to allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered Orcas, and for J35. Based on estimates of food requirements the average whale may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements. Using the low end of the spectrum, that means that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our Orca population. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

Thank you!!!

Sincerely,  
Lyna Hinkel

and some background:

[http://www.orcanetwork.org/Main/index.php?categories\\_file=Actions](http://www.orcanetwork.org/Main/index.php?categories_file=Actions)

Southern Resident orcas are starving chronically and sporadically, leading to stillbirths and early deaths, compounded by toxic pollutants in their bodies. Southern Residents depend mainly on Chinook salmon and those salmon are at historic lows and still dropping.

- While every restoration effort, dam removal, and harvest restriction helps, by far the largest possible increase in salmon would result from breaching the 4 lower Snake River dams.
- The Army Corps of Engineers has the authority and the funding at this time to begin breaching the 4 lower Snake River dams under their 2002 EIS, as Option #4. Career officials in DC understand the cost savings from removing the dams and would support that.
- The Army Corps in DC won't order the Walla Walla District to begin breaching without hearing from the Washington delegation, namely Gov. Inslee and senior Senator Murray.
- Gov. Inslee and Sen. Murray won't provide that support without widespread support and public awareness that breaching is needed to avoid the extinction of multiple salmon populations and Southern Resident orcas. It is within their power to provide the political backing to authorize the Army Corps to commence breaching in the coming year.
- To provide the greatest increase in Chinook and other salmon for the starving Southern Resident orcas, it would be most effective to direct our sense of urgency and our educational efforts toward informing the public that dam

breaching could begin in 2018 with the support of the people of Washington, expressed by Gov. Inslee and Sen. Murray.

From: Melissa Phares <phares.melissa@gmail.com>  
Date: Sat, Aug 4, 2018 at 2:55 PM  
Subject: The Whales need to eat. Now. Please help.  
To: "info@psc.org" <info@psc.org>  
Cc: "pfmc.comments@noaa.gov" <pfmc.comments@noaa.gov>

I'm a Washington resident and I want to help the Orcas. I've done some research and found information that suggests that the Pacific Salmon Commission can directly impact the Orcas' fate.

Please - allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for our beloved endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales. Please, do this as soon as possible. Not only has J35 lost her calf, J50 shows signs of severe malnourishment.

I'm a taxpayer, a voter, a citizen, a social worker, a mom. I don't know anything about marine biology. All I know is there must be a way we can help.

I have found conflicting information about whether or not human consumption of Chinook impacts this problem. If you can help clarify that I'd appreciate it.

With deepest gratitude for your immediate action,  
Melissa Phares  
Edmonds  
206-605-2021

From: Diane Lane <dianelane@riseup.net>  
Date: Mon, Aug 6, 2018 at 4:48 PM  
Subject: J35 and the plight of Southern Resident Killer Whales  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Pacific Salmon Commission:

Please allocate at least 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the Southern Resident Killer Whales. It's inhumane and unconscionable to allow the whales to continue suffering from human-caused lack of food and environmental damage. From what I've read on the subject, malnutrition may have caused the death of J35's baby whale. If we are to progress as humans we must develop ways of living that allow other species to thrive thereby preserving healthy ecological systems. Let's not cause any more grief to these whales who face extinction if we don't act now.

Thank you,  
Diane Lane  
Portland, Oregon

From: Hannah Riemer <hriemer9@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 5:44 AM  
Subject: Salmon for Orcas  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Good morning,

I am emailing on behalf of my friends, the Southern Resident killer whales (SRKW), in order that I may request that more salmon be allocated from all west coast rivers for the endangered SRKWs. A local environmental nonprofit, Friends of the San Juans, estimates that 500,000 Chinook salmon per year would be required to help grow the SRKW population.

I have been pescatarian for years, but in light of the recent heightened orca media coverage and my new awareness of their struggles, I plan to transition to entirely vegan so that I can do my small part to help our friends in the sea, land, and air.

Thank you for the work you are doing, and thank you for your time.

hannah  
hriemer9@gmail.com

From: Natalie Obiko Pearson  
Date: Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 7:49 AM  
Subject: Help the whales get enough to eat  
To: info@psc.org, pfmccomments@noaa.gov

I'm writing in support of helping whales in the Salish Sea get enough to eat. Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered South Resident killer whales.

Natalie Obiko Pearson

From: Kelly Jean Davis <farmgirlworks@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 9:52 AM  
Subject: Orcas in Salish Sea  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmccomments@noaa.gov

Please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered SRKWs. The potential extinction of these amazing creatures is too much.

Kelly Davis  
Seattle, WA  
LittleOwlUrns.com | 206 778 1917

From: Jenny Monick <jennymonick@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 3:10 PM  
Subject: Allocate Salmon - please  
To: info@psc.org, pfmccomments@noaa.gov

Dear PSC:

Please, let's share the water's bounty with its inhabitants. We humans can survive off a varied diet, and can adjust to fluctuations in resources. SRKWs are entitled to their share of the salmon population - don't you think?

Please make an effort - on all of our behalf.

Best,  
Jenny Monick

From: Mary Hamilton <marysequoiahilton@gmail.com>  
Date: Tue, Aug 7, 2018 at 11:54 AM  
Subject: J-pod and others  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmccomments@noaa.gov

To whom it may concern:

Please allocate the necessary salmon needed for the orcas - experts are saying 500,000 from the nearby rivers.

Thank you,  
Mary Hamilton

From: Lisa Ide <lide@umn.edu>  
Date: Wed, Aug 8, 2018 at 12:02 PM  
Subject: The orcas are starving---  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

Please help the Orcas! The resident orcas in the San Juan Islands are starving -  
Please, please allocate 500,000 Chinook salmon from all west coast rivers for the endangered Orcas. The J, K and L pods are going to die out if they do not get food.  
A average whale may consume about 18-25 adult salmon daily just to maintain their energy requirements which means at the low end that about 1,500 salmon are required each day to sustain our Orca population in the San Juan Islands. That means we need at least 500,000 salmon a year if we want the population to grow.

Thank you!!! Lisa Ide

From: Lola O'Rourke <lolaorourke@comcast.net>  
Date: Wed, Aug 8, 2018 at 4:40 PM  
Subject: orcas  
To: info@psc.org  
Cc: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov

I am writing to ask that you work towards allocating 500,000 Chinook salmon to the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales.  
This is essential for the salvation of these whales.

Thank you for your efforts.  
Lola O'Rourke

From: Stephanie Hoke <stephanie.hoke@comcast.net>  
Date: Thu, Aug 9, 2018 at 12:21 PM  
Subject: Orcas need fish and less noise  
To: pfmc.comments@noaa.gov, info@psc.org

Hello,  
I am writing today to urge you manage fish populations so that the animals requiring fish to survive, such as Orcas, are allocated their share. Without enough salmon to feed on, these animals and their population will slowly dwindle into extinction. This is something that we cannot allow to happen.

Noise pollution is also a problem for all of our aquatic friends and also needs to be corrected. Please take actions to protect and increase our Orca populations.

Thanks you,  
Stephanie Hoke  
Tigard, OR