



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
The Secretary of Commerce
Washington, D.C. 20230

June 30, 2021

Mr. Jeromy Sullivan
Chairman
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
31912 Little Boston Road NE
Kingston, WA 98346

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

Thank you for your letter requesting a Federal fishery disaster determination for the 2020 Fraser River sockeye and Puget Sound fall chum salmon fisheries for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe. I understand this has had negative impacts on the S'Klallam Tribe's way of life due to traditional ties to the sockeye and chum salmon and acknowledge the importance of subsistence, ceremonial, and commercial fisheries as integral to the Port Gamble S'Klallam tribal members.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service is working with the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife to assess whether a commercial fishery failure due to a fishery resource disaster has occurred under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

Should you have any questions, please contact Christopher Day, Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 230-0470.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gina Raimondo".

Gina M. Raimondo