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MESSAGE: Give Southern Resident Orca their Fair Share of Chinook

TO: WA State Department of Fish and Wildlife Commission, Larry Carpenter – Chair,
Barry Thom, NOAA Deputy Regional Administrator, West Coast Regional Office

cc: NorthofFalcon@dfw.wa.gov

Chinook salmon are a priceless asset to our regional economy and culture. Especially to our Southern Resident orca whales who are starving. In the past 30 years the average King Salmon has become smaller. Southern Resident Orca need ~300 lbs. salmon per day to survive. If a Chinook salmon weighs 15 lbs. each SRKW need 20 salmon per day. $(75 \text{ SRKW} \times 20 \text{ salmon}) \times 365 = 547,500$ Chinook salmon per year.

We ask you to consider these factors in your decisions. Please give the Southern Resident Orca a seat at the allocation table.

MESSAGE: Fund Recovery and Restoration of Orca, Salmon, and Forage fish Habitat

TO: Rep. Lekanoff, House Capital Budget Committee Member

Please ensure strong funding in the State capital and operating budgets to support protection, restoration and recovery for Southern Resident Orca, salmon and forage fish habitat. The Puget Sound Acquisition and Restoration (PSAR) fund supports projects that recover salmon and protect and recover salmon habitat in Puget Sound. The state legislature appropriates money for PSAR every 2 years in the Capital Budget. The Salmon Recovery Funding Board provides funding for elements necessary to achieve overall salmon recovery, including habitat projects and other activities that result in sustainable and measurable benefits for salmon and other fish species. The Estuary and Salmon Restoration Program provides grants to protect and restore the Puget Sound nearshore.

MESSAGE: Support Ferries and a Hybrid Electric Ferry in the San Juan Islands

TO: Sen. Lovelett, Senate Transportation Committee & Amy Scarton, WSDOT State Ferries

Thank you WSDOT for initiating this effort to upgrade and modernize our aging fleet of ferries with the use of energy-efficient, cost-effective, sustainable hybrid electric technologies! Please implement this innovation on the San Juan County ferry routes as a pilot project. This will simultaneously benefit our region's cherished environmental quality and vulnerable economy, and will maximize the public awareness and appreciation of the upgraded system statewide. Please support funding for Washington State Ferries and revise the long range plan to include the San Juan/Anacortes Olympic Size Vessels for new, quieter, plug-in hybrid capable ferries.

MESSAGE: Support Ecology's rulemaking to update Oil Spill Contingency Plan Rule

TO: Senator Lovelett, and Representatives Morris and Lekanoff,

Require large commercial vessels, oil handling facilities, and pipelines to have detailed contingency plans and contracts for appropriate equipment and trained personnel to respond to spills that may occur. Enhance requirements for readiness for spills of non-floating oils (that may submerge or sink), Update drill requirements and wildlife response requirements!

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¹ **The North of Falcon process** is an annual gathering of state, federal and tribal fishery managers gather to plan the Northwest's recreational and commercial salmon fisheries. This pre-season planning process is generally known as the "North of Falcon" process, which involves a series of public meetings involving federal, state, tribal and industry representatives and other concerned citizens. The North of Falcon planning process coincides with the March and April meetings of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PMFC), the federal authority responsible for setting ocean salmon seasons three to 200 miles off the Pacific coast. In addition to the two PFMC meetings, the states of Washington and Oregon and the Treaty Tribes sponsor additional meetings to discuss alternative fishing seasons that meet conservation and allocation objectives. Fishery managers generally refer to the entire set of pre-season meetings as North of Falcon. The name refers to Cape Falcon in northern Oregon, which marks the southern border of active management for Washington salmon stocks.
<https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/northfalcon/faq.html>