

EXECUTIVE ORDER 88-02

1988 Washington Coastal Salmon Troll License Fees

Washington's coastal fishing industry is economically and socially important to communities throughout the state. Low stream flows in 1988 severely limited the numbers of natural coho salmon rearing in many Washington rivers and streams. These coho are now maturing in ocean waters off the state's coast. The 1988 ocean troll must be severely limited to protect against the overharvest of these coho salmon stocks.

This unavoidable reduction in ocean fishing will reduce revenues to fishing vessel owners, crew members, and supporting services and industries in communities throughout Washington.

In order to promote the economic well-being of the state and the ocean fishing industry, it is important that the state of Washington take action to alleviate impacts associated with the severely limited commercial troll fishing season in 1988.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Booth Gardner, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me, find that the reduced ocean troll fishing opportunity in 1988 constitutes a statewide emergency. **THEREFORE**, I hereby order the following:

- A. The Director of the Department of Fisheries shall allow commercial troll license holders to voluntarily have their license suspended for the 1988 troll season;
- B. The Director of the Department of Fisheries will issue 1989 commercial troll licenses to persons who would otherwise be eligible for them but for failure to catch and land food fish on the license in 1988;
- C. The Director of the Department of Fisheries shall place such revenues into the undistributed receipts account as are necessary to refund the license fees or those electing to participate in the program implemented pursuant to this order;
- D. Notification will be sent from the Department of Fisheries to commercial troll licensees, outlining procedures for implementation of a voluntary license suspension and fee refund program.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 21st day of April A.D., Nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.

Booth Gardner
Governor of Washington

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State Acting Deputy
