

It is our sacred obligation to protect our Salish Sea homelands and our community, including the salmon and qwe 'lhol mechen (orcas).



Dear Tribal leadership and local electeds:

please join us for

Netse Mot: One Mind, One Heart for Xw'ullemy

on Friday, September 27

gather at 4:30, event starts at 5pm

Blaine Fishing Pier and adjoining waters

“We are all children of the Salish Sea. We need to step up. We are at the point right now where we don’t have much time. This is a struggle for the soul of the Salish Sea.”
–Jay Julius, Tribal Council Chairman, Lummi Nation

Our qwe 'lhol 'mechen (resident orcas) face extinction, our salmon runs are endangered, and Xw'ullemy (the Salish Sea bioregion) is increasingly threatened by unchecked human development. Now is the time for action against climate change, ramped up marine vessel traffic, and other stressors on the Salish Sea ecosystems.

Tribal and Canadian First Nations, NGOs, faith-based organizations, and local communities are coming together to show that while we may speak with many voices, we are of one mind when it comes to protecting our shared home.

We are gathering in sight of the Canadian/US border, both on land and on water, to show that an international line does not divide us, the waters, the air, the orcas, or the salmon.

Confirmed speakers include Rueben George of Tsleil-Waututh Nation and the Sacred Trust Initiative, internationally renowned climate activist Tzeporah Berman, and Lummi Nation Secretary Lawrence Solomon. The Blackhawk Singers will perform and the waters will be blessed. Bring red, wear red. Also featured: commemorative qwe'lhol'mechen walkway; orca mural; unity circle.

LOGISTICS: Blaine Fishing Pier for people on land, adjoining waters for boats (gather around the blue seiner, the "Salish Sea"). Kayaks, canoes, small craft put in at public boat launch. Details at www.SacredSea.org on the Events page.

Please let us know if you might join us, so that we can properly acknowledge and reserve a seat up front for you. Call Kurt Russo at 360-305-5880 or email at info@sacredsea.org



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