# Tribal Fishing, Hunting, & Gathering Exemption

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## Today's Agenda

- Overview of the Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering Exemption
- Current Status
- External Education Update
- Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering Video
- ETA 3235.2022
- Open Floor Discussion



# Fishing, Hunting, & Gathering Exemption

- Summary of consultation with the Tribes.
- Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering Exemption.
- Overview of updated exemption form.
- Safe Harbor language.



#### **Qualified Purchasers**

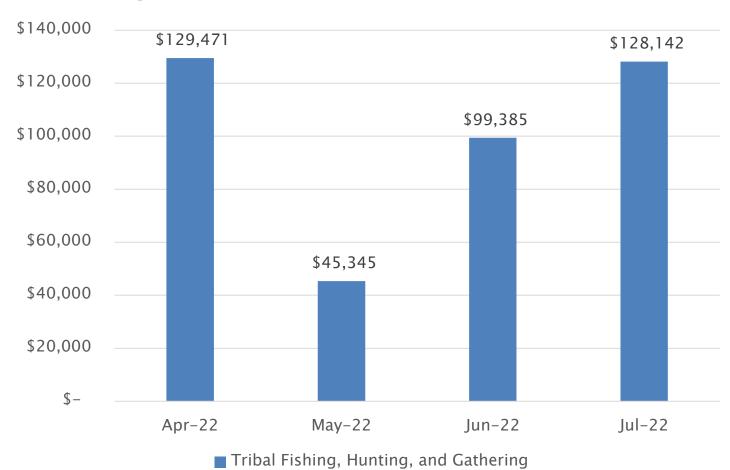
- "Qualified purchaser" means a qualified tribe, tribal member of a qualified tribe, or qualified intertribal organization.
- <u>List</u> of Qualified Tribes.
- Qualified Intertribal Organizations.

# Non-exhaustive list of qualified goods and services

- Department asked the Tribes for lists of goods and services directly used in fishing, hunting, and gathering activities.
- A non-exhaustive list of qualifying goods and services sorted by activity was developed and published to the Department's Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering webpage.
- The Tribes and Department will continue working together to identify additional goods and services to add to the list.



# **Current Status – Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering Deduction**





#### **Education Plan**

- Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering webpage (dor.wa.gov/TribalFishHuntGather).
- March 2022: Notified 28,000 retailers of qualified goods and services.
- May 2022: Social Media notification.
- June 2022: Issued Excise Tax Advisory 3235.2022.
- July 2022: Visited retailers in Cowlitz Indian Country.
- August 2022: Targeted Education to retailers of ORVs.
- September 2022: Targeted Education to retailers of dyed fuel.



## **Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering Video**



Watch the Tribal Fishing, Hunting, and Gathering video here.



### **Excise Tax Advisory 2035.2022**

- Provides an overview of the purpose and scope of the exemption.
- Contains information on how to document the exemption
- Defines who qualifies for the exemption
- Includes the "Safe Harbor" language.



# **Open Floor Discussion**



#### **Discussion Question 1:**

 Have you had any feedback from retailers since the expanded exemption went into effect?

#### **Discussion Question 2:**

 Is there anything that the department can do to provide additional assistance or resources for retailers?

#### **Discussion Question 3:**

 Do retailers have plans to make tribal exemptions available for self-checkout transactions and online sales? Thank you!