

Clam Survey Field Sheet

Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee

Location: _____ Sampler: _____ Surveyor: _____ Surveyor Ft/Pace: _____
 Date: _____ Tide Time: _____ Tide Height: _____ Compass: _____
 Transect Number: _____ Transect GPS: _____ Completion Time: _____
 Comments (e.g. weather, etc.): _____

For all clam categories (except horse clams), indicate the number of clams above/below 1.5 inches in size. For horse clams, indicate # of holes.

Sample Hole	# Paces	Sub ¹	Veg ²	Water ³	Varnish	Manila	Native Littleneck	Macoma ⁴	Cockle	Butter	Eastern Softshell	Horse	Other Comments
<i>example</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>P</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>2/3</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>0/1</i>	<i>1/2</i>	<i>1/0</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>Some eelgrass in the sample site</i>
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10 or water													

¹Substrate codes- M=mud, S=sand, G=gravel, C=cobble, may also use combination of substrate codes with dominate substrate listed first (e.g. SG= sand/gravel)

²Vegetation- P= present, A=absent

³Water- Deeper than 1 inch at sample site Y/N

⁴Macoma clams include bentnose and other “bay” clams

Data recorded based on 1ft³ samples. Sample plots located every 100 feet along transect. Transects run perpendicular to the Best Fit Line at every 1320 feet (1/4 mile).