



## STELLAT'EN FIRST NATION

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Grand Chief Saul Terry  
St'at'imc Nation  
Inter-Tribal Fishery Treaty Spokesman  
[chief\\_sterry@yahoo.ca](mailto:chief_sterry@yahoo.ca)


Dear Grand Chief Saul Terry:

**Re: St'at'imc say no to satus quo fishery:**

We at Stellat'en First Nation applaud your -thinking decision to delay fishing until July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008. This will enable those of us up-river to enjoy to enjoy a salmon harvest that we have long been denied by the declining salmon stocks resulting from over fishing and mismanagement. We commend your decision wholeheartedly and look forward to the ultimate results of your proactive decision: greater number of spawners returning to the spawning grounds and a future all of our children can enjoy. Your leadership in this issue is to be applauded.

We will be writing DFO to both commend your actions and condemn their lack of a plan for salmon stock recovery. We continue to condemn DFO's discussions to allocate salmon for recreational fisheries while our traditional needs remain unmet.

Sincerely,

  
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