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The general public, especially young children, women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, and nursing mothers should follow this advice:

- **D N EA** any resident crab, shellfish, or fish, **except salmon**, from the Harbor Island area. Safe Salmon eating guidelines are below.

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Salmon spend a short time in the Duwamish River and have similar contaminant levels as salmon caught elsewhere in Puget Sound. A meal size equals 8 ounces of uncooked fish.

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You can safely eat 2-3 meals per week.
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You can safely eat 1 meal per week.
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Limit your consumption to 2 meals per month.

For the most current information, call or visit online:

- Fish Advisories in Washington State Toll Free 1-877-485-7316 . . . /

Washington State Department of Health Office of Environmental Health Assessments Toll Free 1-877-485-7316 . . . / /

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## Other Water Pollution

**H** How can I report a spill or discharge of hazardous materials into the East Waterway?

Dumping can be reported to EPA online at [www.epa.gov](http://www.epa.gov) or to the National Response Center at (800) 424-8802.

**A** Are there any major outfalls into the East Waterway?

Yes, there are three major outfalls into the East Waterway. EPA is assessing their contribution to pollution in the waterway.

**W** Why does the Washington Department of Ecology (DOE) require vessels to go out 50 nautical miles from shore to discharge ballast water?

N.W. Cruise Ship Association and the Port of Seattle entered into an agreement in 2004 that bans the release of cruise-ship wastewater into state waters except from vessels using advanced treatment systems that meet the standards and testing regime set out by federal law, is certified by the U.S. Coast Guard, and approved by Washington Department of Ecology (DOE). It also sets strict guidelines for where and how properly treated water may be discharged.

DOE inspectors board the vessels periodically to inspect the wastewater treatment systems and associated records.

The amended agreement, annual meeting notes and historical cruise ship wastewater discharge data is available at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov>

A report on cruise ship wastewater discharges in 2009 is available at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov>

Washington State requires vessels in coastal transit to go out at least 50 nautical miles from shore and exchange their ballast in water over 2,000 meters deep.

The Washington state Department of Fish and Wildlife enacts and enforces the ballast water law. In 2007, they hired an inspector to focus on the Columbia River and S. Puget Sound. Since then, there have been considerable changes in





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## Economy

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