

Pacific Northwest History and Cultures Why Do the Foods We Eat Matter?

"The right to fish that was reserved in the treaties is meaningless if there are no fish left to catch."

Agricultural Pollution in Puget Sound: Inspiration to Change Washington's Reliance on Voluntary Incentive Programs to Save Salmon, Western Environmental Law Center, April 2016, pg. 4

The late Billy Frank Jr. (Nisqually) often said of the depleting salmon runs and the treaty right to half of the harvestable salmon, "Fifty per cent of nothing is nothing." Unless salmon habitat is restored and protected, the availability of salmon diminishes for everyone.