household. Other volunteers will direct traffic.

All volunteers at the event will be masked and gloved as they work at several stations.

Soroptimist Carol Bennett, who organizes the Christmas Food Basket Giveaway, said, "We're going to plan on buying food for 500 families this year."

However, with an increase in food costs,

she estimated that the Soroptimists will need to spend an additional \$10,000 over previous

In addition, due to restrictions under COVID-19, Florence Soroptimists will not be

doing their toy giveaway so they can focus on feeding the community.

"There are no requirements, and that's a really important thing," Bennett said. "There's nothing they have to fill out to get this box. All

they have to do is come to the school and say they need a box and tell us how big a family

they're trying to feed." Those who would like to donate to the Gift Basket program can contact Bennett at 541-991-

Donations will be accepted through December. Donations can also be made by mail Soroptimist International of Florence, PO Box 1209, Florence OR 97439.

### Fishing from 1B

the forecasted rain. A good shot of rain will move more fish into the lake and get them staging in the creek arms waiting to spawn. These fisheries typically pick up in late October, peak in November, and fish well into December. Last updated 11/4/20.

**ALSEA RIVER:** Fall Chinook

**Reminder** — The deadline for salmon fishing on the Alsea River is River Edge boat ramp located at river mile 28.

This is relatively low in the system and is well

below Fall Creek and the popular steelhead bank access on the N. Fk. of the Alsea River. Know where you are on the river before you start to fish for fall Chinook.

Anglers are reminded that due to low forecasted returns for the 2020 season bag limits have been reduced. The bag limit for the Alsea River is 1 wild Chinook per day and 5 per year for the 2020 season.

Cutthroat trout fishing closed for the season on Oct. 31. Last updated 11/4/20.

**SALMON RIVER:** Fall Chinook

Fall Chinook fishing

continues to be slow on the Salmon River with the low and clear condi-

Cutthroat trout fishing

is closed.

**NOTE:** Reminder, the Salmon River hatchery remains closed to walk in anglers. Anglers can use access points upstream and downstream of the hatchery to access those traditional fishing loca-

**SILETZ RIVER:** 

Summer steelhead, fall Chinook

Fall Chinook fishing remains steady on the Siletz River. There are fish staging in the upper estuary and lower river waiting for rain to move upriver.

The forecasted rain this week will have these fish on the move and create good conditions for

the tail end of the fall Chinook run on the Siletz.

Due to low forecasted returns for the 2020 season bag limits have been reduced. The bag limit for the Siletz River is 1 wild chinook per day and 5 per year for the 2020 season.

Cutthroat trout fishing is closed.

The 4-mile bridge (aka

Steel Bridge) in the Siletz gorge is open to motorized vehicles on the weekends only. Anglers can walk/bike in the road during the weekdays. There is a parking area located at the 1-mile gate where anglers can walk/ bike upstream from there. Last updated 11/4/20.

WILSON RIVER:

Chinook, steelhead Fall Chinook fishing slowed on the Wilson last

week, but this week's rains should bump the river up enough to bring in some new fish and get holding fish back on the move.

Above Jordan Creek, the Wilson River is closed to all salmon angling (including catch and release). Steelhead fishing is open in the upper river, but anglers may not target salmon.

# **TENMILE LAKES:**

Trout, warmwater species, largemouth bass

Largemouth bass can be found around any submerged wood and can be caught on spinner-baits, jigs, or crankbaits. As the water temperatures continue to cool down, bass will move into deep water for the winter.

Yellow perch fishing continues to be very good for anglers fishing from a

boat or fishing from a dock this past week.

Yellow perch have been in 15-20 feet of water and are biting on small jigs or a worm on a hook. If you fish and area for 10-15 minutes without a bite. it's time to move to another location.

The wild coho fishery is open on Tenmile Lake through Dec. 31.

Anglers are allowed to harvest 1 wild coho per day and 5 for the season in aggregate with Siltcoos and Tahkenitch lakes.

The Tenmile Lake level is 6.4 ft at the outlet, which is still too low to allow a decent number of coho to enter the lakes. Last updated 11/11/20.

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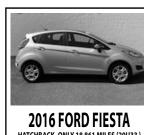
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