Columbia River Fishery Notice
Compact Action

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife **August 10, 2006**

The Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington met today to review Chinook salmon stock status and took the following actions:

Non-Indian Fisheries

Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted the following non-Indian commercial fishing periods:

Season:	7 PM Sunday August 13	to	7 AM Monday August 14	(12 hrs)
	7 PM Tuesday August 15	to	7 AM Wednesday August 16	(12 hrs)
	7 PM Thursday August 17	to	7 AM Friday August 18	(12 hrs)

Area: August 13-14: Zones 1-5, upstream of the Astoria-Megler Bridge.

August 15-16 and August 17-18: Zones 2-5.

Sanctuaries: Grays River, Elokomin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-A, Washougal and Sandy River sanctuaries are in effect.

Gear: 8" minimum and 9¾" maximum mesh size restrictions.

Allowable Sales: Salmon and sturgeon.

A maximum of **seven** white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) of the open fishing periods. The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes both mainstem and Select Area fisheries.

The retention of green sturgeon is prohibited.

Washington Reporting: WDFW adopted a regulation requiring all Washington wholesale buyers purchasing fish from these mainstem commercial fisheries to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10 AM on the day after the purchase date via either:
a) FAX transmission to (360) 906-6776 or (360) 906-6777
b) E-mail to crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281

Future Compact Hearings

- A Columbia River Compact hearing has also been scheduled for 2:00 PM Thursday, August 17, 2006 via teleconference to consider non-Indian commercial fishing periods during the week of August 20th, 2006.
- Recorded Mainstem Commercial, Select Area Commercial, and Sport Fishery Updates and Action Notices can be accessed by calling (503) 657-2000 ext. 391, 392, and 396 respectively.
- **For information concerning these decisions see August 10, 2006 Fall Fact Sheet #2: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.html**

Note: Joint Staff Reports, Fact Sheets, and Columbia River Action Notices are also available through the Internet at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/CRM/main.html