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# Columbia River Fishery Notice

## Compact Action

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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

August 23, 2006

The Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington met today via phone to consider non-Indian commercial fishing options for the mainstem Columbia River. The Compact took the following action:

### Non-Indian Fisheries

#### *Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery*

- The following modifications were made to the previously adopted ongoing non-Indian commercial fishery. Modifications are in **bold**.

**Season:** 12:01 AM Friday August 25 to 6 AM Friday August 25 (6 hrs)

**Area:** Zone 4 upstream of the I-205 Bridge and Zone 5.

**Sanctuaries:** Washougal and Sandy river sanctuaries are in effect.

**Gear:** 9" 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 Rule:** 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](mailto:crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov)  
c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281

### **Future Compact Hearings**

- Columbia River Compact hearings have been tentatively scheduled for Thursday September 7 to consider additional Treaty Indian commercial fishing options and Thursday September 14 to consider non-Indian commercial fishing options.
- **For information concerning these decisions see August 23, 2006 Fall Fact Sheet #4:** [http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/CRM/fact\\_sheets.html](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.html)
- 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.

**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>