
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Compact Action

Joint State Action

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

July 6, 2006

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

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Modified the previously adopted commercial fishing season as follows:
 - Season: 6 AM Monday July 10 to 6 PM Thursday July 13 (3.5 days per week)
6 AM Monday July 17 to 6 PM Thursday July 20 (3.5 days per week)
6 AM Monday July 24 to 6 PM Thursday July 27 (3.5 days per week)
 - Area: All of Zone 6.
 - Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries in effect, except no Spring Creek sanctuary.
 - Gear: 7" minimum mesh size restriction in effect during July 10 to July 13.
8" minimum mesh size restriction in effect during July 17 to July 27.
 - Allowable Sales: Chinook, coho, steelhead, walleye, carp and shad.
Sockeye may not be sold, but may be kept for subsistence use.
Sturgeon may not be sold. Sturgeon between 48-60 inches in The Dalles and John Day pools, and sturgeon between 45-60 inches in the Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use.
 - Miscellaneous Regulations: Until further notice sale of fish caught in the platform/hook and line fishery will be allowed. Fish caught during open tributary fishing periods in the Klickitat and Big White Salmon rivers may be sold when the sale of platform and hook-and-line fish is allowed.
 - Washington Reporting: WDFW adopted a regulation requiring all Washington wholesale buyers purchasing fish from 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

In joint Oregon and Washington state action the states discussed the following Columbia River mainstem sport fishery and took the following actions:

Columbia River Mainstem Sport Fishery

Summer Chinook Fishery

- No action taken.

Future Meetings

- A Joint State hearing is scheduled for 3:00 PM Wednesday July 12, 2006 via teleconference to discuss additional opportunity for sturgeon retention in the area below Wauna power lines.
- A Columbia River Compact hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM Thursday July 27, 2006 at the River Street Building located at 25 River Street in Cathlamet, Washington to review stock status of fall Chinook and consider non-Indian commercial fisheries.
- For information concerning these decisions see July 6, 2006 Summer Fact Sheet #6 and Tribal Summer Fact Sheet #4.
- Recorded Sport Fishery Updates and Action Notices can be accessed by calling (503) 657-2000 ext. 392.
- Recorded Columbia River “Mainstem” Commercial Fishery Updates and Action Notices can be accessed by calling (503) 657-2000 ext. 391.
- Recorded lower Columbia River “Select Area” Commercial Fishery Updates and Action Notices can be accessed by calling (503) 657-2000 ext. 396.

Note: Joint Staff Reports, Fact Sheets, and Columbia River Action Notices are also available through the Internet at: <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/ODFWhtml/InfoCntrFish/InterFish/Index.html>