
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Compact Action

Joint State Action

Oregon State Action

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 27, 2006

The states of Oregon and Washington met today to review ongoing commercial and recreational fisheries and took the following actions:

Non-Indian Commercial Fisheries

Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted non-Indian commercial fishing periods as follows:

Season: 7 PM Thursday June 29 to 5 AM Friday June 30 (10 hours)

Area: Zones 1-5.

Sanctuaries: Grays River, Elokommin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-A, Washougal and Sandy River sanctuaries will be in effect.

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

Allowable Sales: Chinook, coho, shad, and sturgeon.

All sockeye and steelhead must be released immediately.

A maximum of three green or white sturgeon in the aggregate may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) the fishery is open.

Washington
Reporting Rule

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

Joint State Action

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

Columbia River Mainstem Recreational Fisheries

- No action taken.

Lower Columbia River Sturgeon Sport Fishery

- No action taken.
- The previously adopted fishery will close as scheduled at 11:59 PM Tuesday July 4, 2006

John Day Reservoir (John Day Dam to McNary Dam)

Adopted the following regulation change for recreational sturgeon fishing season in the Columbia River:

- Effective 11:59 PM Friday June 30, 2006 the retention of sturgeon in the Columbia River and tributaries between John Day and McNary dams will be prohibited. This retention restriction takes effect in Oregon and Washington at the same time.

Oregon State Action

The state of Oregon took the following actions:

Youngs Bay Select Area (Zone 7) Commercial Salmon Fisheries

Open waters in Youngs Bay are under Oregon State jurisdiction.

- Effective noon Wednesday June 28 through Monday July 31, 2006 the retention of white and green sturgeon is prohibited in Youngs Bay Select Area commercial fisheries.

Future Meetings

- A Columbia River Joint State hearing is scheduled for 11:00 AM Thursday June 29, 2006 via teleconference to review ongoing recreational fisheries and consider additional management actions.
- A Columbia River Compact/Joint State hearing is scheduled for 2:00 PM Thursday July 6, 2006 via teleconference to review ongoing commercial and recreational fisheries and consider additional management actions.
- 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 June 27, 2006 Summer Fact Sheet #3.
http://www.dfw.state.or.us/OSCRP/CRM/FS/06/06_june_27sfact.pdf
- 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>