
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

May 1, 2008

Compact Action

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

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Platform and Hook and Line Fisheries

- Effective 6 AM Monday May 5, 2008 and until further notice the sale of fish caught in platform and hook-and-line fisheries will be allowed as follows:

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: Standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries applicable to these gear types are in effect, except no Spring Creek sanctuary.

Gear: Hoopnets, dipnets, and rod and reel with hook-and-line.

Spring Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted a commercial fishing season as follows:

Season: 6 AM Monday May 5, 2008 to 6 PM Thursday May 8, 2008

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries in effect, except no Spring Creek sanctuary.

Gear: No minimum mesh size restriction in effect.

- **The following rules apply to the treaty Indian fisheries adopted above.**

Allowable Sales: Chinook, steelhead, walleye, carp, and shad.
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.

Washington Reporting Rule WDFW adopted a regulation requiring all Washington wholesale buyers purchasing fish from the treaty Indian fisheries to send a report of their landings to WDFW within 24 hours of the closure of the fishery 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
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Oregon State Action

Yakama Nation Tributary Fisheries

- Effective 6 AM Monday May 5, 2008, allow sales in Oregon of Chinook, steelhead, walleye, carp, and shad caught in Yakama Nation fisheries in the Wind, Klickitat, Little White Salmon (Drano Lake), and Big White Salmon rivers when sales of these fish caught in mainstem Zone 6 treaty fisheries are allowed. This applies only during those days and hours when these tributaries are open under Yakama Nation rules and regulations and for enrolled Yakama Nation members.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- No Compact/Joint State hearings have been scheduled at this time. The Joint Staff will continue to monitor progress of the spring Chinook run and provide updates and schedule hearings as needed.
- For information concerning these decisions see the May 1, 2008 Spring Fact Sheet #4 at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp
- Recorded Mainstem Commercial, Select Area Commercial, and Sport Fishery Updates and Action Notices can be accessed by calling (971) 673-6000 and following recorded instructions.
- Note: Joint Staff Reports, Fact Sheets, and Columbia River Action Notices are also available through the Internet at:
<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/index.asp>