
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Compact Action

Joint State Action

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 12, 2008

Compact Action

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

Non-Indian Fisheries

Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted non-Indian commercial fishing periods as follows:

Season: 7 PM Tuesday June 24 to 5 AM Wednesday June 25, 2008 (10 hours)
7 PM Tuesday July 1 to 5 AM Wednesday July 2, 2008 (10 hours)

Area: Zones 1-5.

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

Gear: 8" minimum mesh size restriction in effect.

Multiple Net Rule: It will be legal to have onboard a commercial vessel more than one net provided the nets are of mesh size legal for the fishery, or the net has a minimum mesh size of 9 inches, and the length of any one net does not exceed 1,500 feet in length.

Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.

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

All sockeye, steelhead and green sturgeon must be released immediately.

A maximum of **five** white sturgeon 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 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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Treaty Indian Fisheries

Platform and Hook and Line Fisheries

- Effective 6 AM Monday June 16, 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, including tributary fisheries in the Wind, Klickitat, and White Salmon rivers. Sales of fish caught in subsistence fisheries on the Washington shore below Bonneville Dam will also be allowed.
 - Gear: Hoopnets, dipnets, and rod and reel with hook-and-line.
 - Sanctuaries: Standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries applicable to these gear types are in effect, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary will not be in effect.

Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted a commercial fishing season as follows:
 - Season: 6 AM Monday June 23 to 6 PM Wednesday June 25, 2008 (2½ days)
 - Area: All of Zone 6.
 - Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries in effect, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary will not be in effect.
 - Gear: 7" minimum mesh size restriction.

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

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| Allowable Sales: | Chinook, coho, steelhead, walleye, carp and shad may be sold or retained for subsistence use.

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 42-60 inches in Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use. Sturgeon may not be retained below Bonneville Dam. |
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Joint State Action

In joint Oregon and Washington state action after the Compact adjourned; the states discussed the following mainstem Columbia sport fishery and took the following actions:

Non-Indian Sport Fisheries

Columbia River Mainstem Steelhead Recreational Fishery

- The mainstem Columbia River from the Tongue Point/Rocky Point line upstream to the I-5 Bridge will open to retention of adipose fin-clipped steelhead under permanent regulations effective 12:01 AM Monday June 16, 2008.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Compact hearing will be scheduled for 11:00 AM June 27, 2008 to consider additional treaty Indian commercial periods.
- For information regarding these decisions see June 12, 2008 Summer Fact Sheet #1.
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>