
Columbia River Fisheries Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 29, 2008

Compact Action

The Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington met today and took the following actions:

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Commercial Salmon Fishery

- Adopted a commercial fishing season as follows:

Season: 6 AM Tuesday September 30 to 6 PM Friday October 3, 2008 3½ days

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: All standard dam and river mouth sanctuaries are in effect except the Spring Creek Sanctuary is reduced to a 50 foot radius around the hatchery ladder entrance.

Gear: No minimum mesh size restriction in effect.

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

White sturgeon may not be sold. White sturgeon between 48-60 inches in The Dalles and John Day pools, and white sturgeon between 42-60 inches in Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use.

Miscellaneous Regulations: Fish caught during open fishing periods in the Wind, Klickitat, Drano Lake (Little White Salmon), and White Salmon River tributary fisheries and in subsistence fisheries on the Washington shore below Bonneville Dam will also be 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 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

FUTURE MEETINGS

- No additional Compact hearings are scheduled at this time.
- For information concerning these decisions see the September 29, 2008 Fall Fact Sheet #20 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>