
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

February 10, 2010

Compact Action

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

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Winter Sturgeon Commercial Fishery

Modified the ongoing treaty Indian winter commercial season as follows. Modifications in **bold**.

- Season:** Noon February 1 to 6 PM March 21
Effective 6 PM Thursday February 11 the winter commercial gillnet fishery in the Bonneville Pool will close. Fish caught before the closure may be sold at anytime.
The platform/hook and line fishery in the Bonneville Pool will continue as previously scheduled.
- Area:** All of Zone 6.
- Sanctuaries:** Standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries are in effect.
- Gear:** No mesh size restrictions.
- Allowable Sales:** Salmon, white sturgeon, steelhead, walleye, shad, carp, catfish, bass and yellow perch. **(John Day and The Dalles Pool only)**
Fish landed during an open commercial period may be sold at any time.
White sturgeon between 43-54 inches fork length in The Dalles and John Day pools.
After 6 PM Thursday February 11, white sturgeon between 38-54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use only.
- Miscellaneous Rules:** Sale of platform and hook-and-line caught fish is allowed during open commercial gillnet seasons, with the same allowable species.
- Washington Reporting Rule:** WDFW adopted a regulation requiring all Washington wholesale buyers purchasing fish from the treaty Indian mainstem winter commercial fishery 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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Joint State Action

The states of Oregon and Washington met today via telephone to consider modifications to the recreational sturgeon fisheries in the Columbia River and took the following actions:

Zone 6 Recreational Sturgeon Fisheries

Bonneville Pool Recreational Sturgeon Fishery

- Effective 12:01 AM Sunday February 21, 2010 the retention of sturgeon in the Bonneville Pool will be prohibited.
- Sport retention of sturgeon in The Dalles and John Day Pools will remain in effect per current regulations.

All other permanent angling regulations described in the "2010 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations Pamphlet" remain in effect.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- The next Compact/Joint State hearing is scheduled for 10 AM, Thursday, February 18, 2010 at the Clackamas County Historical Society, 211 Tumwater Drive, Oregon City, Oregon to review salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, and shad stock status; and consider non-Indian commercial and recreational fishing seasons for white sturgeon and spring Chinook in the mainstem Columbia River and Select Areas.
- For information concerning these decisions see the February 10, 2010 Tribal and Sport Winter Fact Sheets #2 and 2a.
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.