
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

April 6, 2011

Joint State Action

In joint Oregon and Washington state action the states discussed the following recreational fishery and took the following actions:

Mainstem Columbia River Spring Chinook Recreational Fishery

- Adopted the following recreational fishery downstream of Bonneville Dam:

Area: Buoy 10 upstream to Rooster Rock (boat and bank) plus bank angling only from Rooster Rock upstream to Bonneville Dam.

Dates: Friday April 8 through Friday, April 15, 2011 (8 days)

Catch Limits: Two adult adipose fin-clipped salmonids per day, only **one** of which may be a Chinook.

Additional Regulations: Effective through June 15, 2011 for the mainstem Columbia River salmon and steelhead fishery from the Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to OR/WA border, it is unlawful when fishing from vessels which are less than 30 feet in length (substantiated by Coast Guard documentation or Marine Board registration) to totally remove from the water any salmon or steelhead required to be released.

Effective through May 15, 2011, the mainstem Columbia River will be open for retention of adipose fin-clipped steelhead and shad **ONLY** during days and seasons open for retention of adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook.

Effective through June 15, 2011, on days when the mainstem Columbia River recreational fishery below Bonneville Dam is open to retention of Chinook, the salmonid daily bag limit in Oregon and Washington Select Areas will be the same as mainstem Columbia River bag limits. On days when the mainstem Columbia River fishery is closed to Chinook retention, permanent salmonid bag limit regulations apply.

In Washington, on the mainstem Columbia River below Bonneville Dam, anglers may not possess in the field fish mutilated so that size, species or fin clip cannot be determined until the angler has reached their automobile or principle means of land transportation and has completed their daily angling

All other permanent regulations remain in effect.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Joint State hearing has been scheduled for 2:00 PM Thursday April 14, 2011 via teleconference.
- For information concerning these decisions see the April 6, 2011 Winter Fact Sheet #6 at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp
- Recorded Mainstem Commercial and Select Area Commercial 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>