
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

October 1, 2012

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 gillnet fishing season as follows:

Season: 6 AM Tuesday October 2 to 6 PM Thursday October 4, 2012 2½ days

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: All standard dam and river mouth sanctuaries are in effect including the small Spring Creek Hatchery Sanctuary (150-foot radius around the hatchery ladder).

Gear: Gill nets only. 8" minimum mesh size restriction.

Allowable Sales: Salmon, steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence use.

Possession and commercial sales of gillnet caught fish from this season may only occur after 12 PM (noon) on October 2, 2012.

White sturgeon may not be sold. White sturgeon between 43-54 inches in fork length in The Dalles and John Day pools, and white sturgeon between 38-54 inches in fork length in Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence use.

Fish landed during this open commercial period may be sold at any time.

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

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Compact/Joint State hearing is scheduled for 11 AM Tuesday October 2, 2012 via teleconference to review non-Indian commercial fisheries and consider modifying the recreational sturgeon fishery upstream of the Wauna powerlines, which is scheduled to re-open for retention October 20, 2012.
- For information concerning this hearing see the October 1, 2012 Fall Fact Sheet #8 at http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp