
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 26, 2013

Compact Action

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

Treaty Indian Fisheries

Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

- Adopted a commercial gillnet season as follows:

Season: 6 AM Monday July 1 to 6 PM Wednesday July 3, 2013 (2½ days)

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries applicable to gillnet gear, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary will not be in effect.

Gear: Gill nets. 7" minimum mesh size restriction in effect.

Allowable Sales: Salmon, steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence use. Fish landed during open fishing periods may be sold at any time.

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

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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Platform and Hook and Line Fisheries in Zone 6 and Downstream of Bonneville Dam

Modified the ongoing platform hook and line fishing seasons as follows:

- The platform and hook and line fisheries in Zone 6 and tribal fisheries downstream of Bonneville Dam **will be closed each Sunday and Monday effective Saturday June 29** through Wednesday July 31, 2013.
- All other regulations previously adopted at the June 11, 2013 Compact hearing related to these fisheries remain in effect.

Joint State Action

In joint Oregon and Washington state action the states discussed the following recreational fisheries and modified as follows:

White Sturgeon Recreational Fisheries

John Day Pool (John Day Dam to McNary Dam)

- Effective 12:01 AM Saturday June 29, 2013 the retention of sturgeon in the John Day Pool and tributaries is prohibited.
- For all recreational sturgeon fisheries, catch limits and other restrictions in the 2013 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations pamphlet remain in effect the entire year, including catch and release angling allowed during periods closed to sturgeon retention.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Compact hearing may be scheduled for Monday afternoon (July 1) dependent on TAC's next run size update.
- A fall Compact hearing is scheduled for 10 AM Thursday July 25, 2013 at the Wahkiakum County Courthouse (3rd Floor) in Cathlamet, Washington.
- For information concerning these decisions see the June 26, 2013 Summer Fact Sheet #3 at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp