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# Columbia River Fishery Notice

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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 18, 2013

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## Compact Action

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

### Non-Indian Fisheries

#### ***Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery***

- Adopted non-Indian commercial fishing period as follows:

Season:           8 PM Thursday September 19   to   6 AM Friday September 20           (10 hrs)  
                      8 PM Sunday September 22     to   6 AM Monday September 23       (10 hrs)  
                      8 PM Tuesday September 24    to   6 AM Wednesday September 25   (10 hrs)

Area:             Zones 4-5. The deadline at the lower end of Zone 4 is defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore.

Sanctuaries:     Washougal and Sandy River sanctuaries are in effect.

Gear:             Drift gillnets only. 8-inch minimum and 9¾-inch maximum mesh size restrictions.

**Multiple Net Rule:** Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.

Nets that are fished at any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have **lighted buoys** on both ends of the net unless the net is attached to the boat. If the net is attached to the boat, then one lighted buoy on the opposite end of the net from the boat is required.

Allowable         Salmon and white sturgeon (43-54 inch fork length).  
Sales:

A maximum of **two** white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) in the remaining openers. The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes mainstem fisheries **only**.

Washington       WDFW adopted a regulation requiring all Washington wholesale buyers  
Reporting         purchasing fish from commercial fisheries to send a report of their landings to  
Rule:             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](mailto:crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov)
- c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281

## Treaty Indian Fisheries

### **Fall Commercial Salmon Fishery**

- Adopted a commercial gillnet season as follows:

Season: 6 AM Tuesday September 24 to 6 PM Friday September 27, 2013 (3½ days)

Area: All of Zone 6.

Sanctuaries: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries. The Standard Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary will be reduced to a 150-foot radius around the hatchery ladder.

Gear: Gill nets. 8-inch 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.

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.

Fish landed during open fishing periods 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:

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## **FUTURE MEETING**

- No additional Compact hearings are currently scheduled. Additional teleconference hearings may be announced by next Monday.
- For information concerning this hearing see the September 18, 2013 Fall Fact Sheets #9a and #9b at [http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact\\_sheets.asp](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp)