
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

April 8, 2015

Joint State Action

The states of Oregon and Washington discussed the following recreational fisheries and took the following actions:

Mainstem Columbia River Recreational Spring Chinook Fishery

- Extended the ongoing recreational fishery downstream of Bonneville Dam. Modification in **bold**.

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

Legal upstream boat boundary defined as: “A deadline marker on the Oregon bank (approximately four miles downstream from Bonneville Dam Powerhouse One) in a straight line through the western tip of Pierce Island to a deadline marker on the Washington bank at Beacon Rock.”

Dates: **Open Saturday April 11 and Thursday April 16, 2015.**

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

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.

Additional Regulations: Effective Sunday March 1 through Monday June 15, 2015, 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 for Select Areas apply.

Anglers fishing for salmon, steelhead or sturgeon in the Columbia River and its tributaries are required to have a Columbia River Basin endorsement. See a [map of the Basin and get more information](#).

All other permanent regulations remain in effect, including catch limits for jacks and the use of barbless hooks when fishing for salmon, steelhead, or trout.

Bonneville Pool - Summer Recreational White Sturgeon Fishery

- Adopted the following summer recreational sturgeon fishery in the Bonneville Pool:

Season: Friday June 19 through Sunday June 21, 2015 3 days

Friday June 26 through Sunday June 28, 2015 3 days

Friday July 3 through Sunday July 5, 2015 3 days

Area: Mainstem Columbia River from Bonneville Dam upstream to The Dalles Dam, including adjacent tributaries.

Angling for sturgeon prohibited during May through July from The Dalles Dam downstream 1.8 miles to a line from the east (upstream) dock at the Port of The Dalles boat ramp straight across to a marker on the Washington shore.

Allowable Catch: White sturgeon between 38-inches and 54-inches fork length.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- No Compact/Joint State hearings have been scheduled at this time. A Fishery Update will be distributed if no hearings occur prior to April 21, 2015.
- For information concerning these decisions see the April 8, 2015 Winter Fact Sheet #7 at: http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/fact_sheets.asp