
Columbia River Fishery Notice

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

March 16, 2021

Joint State Action

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

White Sturgeon Recreational Fisheries

John Day Pool (John Day Dam upstream to McNary Dam)

- Effective 11:59 PM Thursday March 18, 2021 the retention of white sturgeon in John Day Pool and adjacent tributaries is prohibited.

For all recreational sturgeon fisheries, catch limits, seasonal sturgeon spawning sanctuary closures, and other restrictions in the 2021 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations pamphlet remain in effect the entire year, including catch and release angling allowed during periods closed to sturgeon retention.

Current regulations are available at:

<https://myodfw.com/recreation-report/fishing-report/columbia-zone>

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Joint State hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM Tuesday March 23, 2021 via teleconference to consider the Columbia River recreational white sturgeon fishery downstream of the Wauna powerlines.
- The Joint Staff will continue to review available information and recommend additional hearings as needed.