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# Columbia River Fishery Notice

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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 2, 2022

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## Compact Action

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

### Non-Treaty Fisheries

#### ***Mainstem Columbia River Commercial Spring Salmon Fishery***

- No action taken.

#### ***Select Area Commercial Spring Salmon Fisheries***

- No action taken. Fisheries continue as previously adopted.

### Treaty Indian Fisheries

Allowed commercial sales of fish landed in the following fisheries:

#### ***Zone 6 Platform and Hook and Line Fishery***

Season: 6:00 AM Saturday June 4 through 11:59 PM Sunday July 31

Area: Zone 6

Sanctuaries: Standard sanctuaries in place for these gear types.

Gear: Hoop nets/bag nets, dip nets, and rod and reel with hook-and-line.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (all species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp caught after 6:00 AM on June 4 may be sold or retained for subsistence.

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

#### ***Yakama Nation Tributary Commercial Fisheries***

Season: 6:00 AM Saturday June 4 until further notice and only during those days and hours when the tributaries listed below are open under lawfully-enacted Yakama Nation tribal subsistence fishery regulations for enrolled Yakama Nation members.

Area: Wind River, Drano Lake, and Klickitat River.

Gear: Hoop nets/bag nets, dip nets, and rod and reel with hook-and-line.  
Gillnets may only be used in Drano Lake.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (all species), steelhead, shad, carp, catfish, walleye, bass, and yellow perch.  
Sturgeon between 38-54 inches in fork length in Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence.

**Zone 6 Summer Gillnet Commercial Fishery**

Season: 6:00 AM Thursday June 16 to 6:00 PM Saturday June 18 (2½ days)  
6:00 AM Monday June 20 to 6:00 PM Friday June 24 (4½ days)  
6:00 AM Monday July 27 through 6:00 PM Friday July 1 (4½ days)

Area: Zone 6

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

Gear: Set and drift gillnets. 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (all species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence.  
Sturgeon may not be sold. Sturgeon between 38-54 inches in fork length in Bonneville Pool and sturgeon between 43-54 inches in fork length in The Dalles and John Day pools may be kept for subsistence use.

**Downstream of Bonneville Dam Platform and Hook and Line Commercial Fishery**

Season: 6:00 AM Thursday June 16 through 11:59 PM Sunday July 31 and only during those days and hours when the area is open under lawfully-enacted tribal fishery regulations for enrolled tribal members in accordance with each tribe’s MOA/MOU.

Area: As defined in tribal/state MOUs/MOAs.

Gear: Hook and line and/or platform gear identified in tribal rules.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (all species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp caught after 6:00 AM on June 16 may be sold or retained for subsistence.  
Sturgeon retention is prohibited downstream of Bonneville Dam.  
Sales of fish is not authorized on COE property downstream of Bonneville Dam. Fish must be transported elsewhere for sale.

**The following regulations apply to all Treaty Indian fisheries referenced above:**

Allowable Sales:	Fish landed during open fishing periods may be sold after the period concludes.
Washington Reporting Rule:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-315, except landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

## **Joint State Action**

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

### ***Mainstem Columbia River Spring Chinook Recreational Salmon Fisheries***

- Modified the following on-going fishery (modifications in **bold**):

#### **Downstream of Bonneville Dam**

Effective Saturday June 4 through Wednesday June 15, the upstream boat boundary is the **Bonneville Dam deadline** and the daily adult bag limit may include up to **two hatchery Chinook**. All previously adopted regulations remain in effect.

- Adopted the following fishery:

#### **Bonneville Dam to Oregon/Washington Border**

Season:	Saturday June 4 through Wednesday June 15	12 days
Area:	Tower Island power lines (approximately six miles below The Dalles Dam) upstream to Oregon/Washington border, plus the Oregon and Washington banks between Bonneville Dam and the Tower Island power lines.	
Catch Limits:	Two adult hatchery salmonids (Chinook or steelhead only) per day.	
Other:	All other previously adopted regulations remain in effect.	

### ***Columbia River White Sturgeon Recreational Fisheries***

#### **Below Wauna Powerlines (Estuary)**

- Adopted the following retention fishery:

Season:	Wednesday, June 8 and Saturday June 11	2 days
Area:	Mainstem Columbia River from the Wauna powerlines (river mile 40) downstream to the mouth at Buoy 10, including Youngs Bay, and all adjacent Washington tributaries	

Allowable Catch: Up to 1,086 white sturgeon.  
Legal size: 44-inch minimum and 50-inch maximum fork length.  
(Fork length is measured in a straight line from the tip of the nose to the fork in the caudal fin (tail) with the fish laying on its side on a flat surface, with the tape measure/ruler positioned flat under the fish).  
The daily bag limit is one fish. The annual bag limit is two fish (applicable to any/all 2022 retention fisheries).  
Retention of green sturgeon is prohibited.

Additional Regulations: On days open to white sturgeon retention, angling for sturgeon (including catch and release) is prohibited after 2 PM.

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- Current regulations are available at:  
<https://myodfw.com/recreation-report/fishing-report/columbia-zone>
- All other permanent regulations in the 2022 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations pamphlet remain in effect, including catch limits for jack salmon.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

- A Compact hearing is scheduled for 2 PM on Tuesday June 28, 2022 via teleconference to consider the summer Treaty commercial gillnet fishery.
- For information concerning these decisions see the June 2, 2022 Spring Fact Sheets #4a and 4b 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)