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# Columbia River Fishery Notice

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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

February 14, 2023

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## Compact Action

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

### Select Area Fisheries

The following fisheries were adopted by Compact action in concurrent OR/WA jurisdiction waters and by the state of Oregon or Washington in state waters.

#### ***Young Bay Commercial Salmon Fishery (Zone 7)***

- Adopted seasons as follows:

#### Winter Season

Youngs Bay	6 AM - 6 PM Thursday February 16	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Monday February 20	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Tuesday February 21	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Wednesday February 22	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Thursday February 23	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Monday February 27	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Tuesday February 28	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Wednesday March 1	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Thursday March 2	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Monday March 6	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Wednesday March 8	(12 hours)
	6 AM - 6 PM Thursday March 9	(12 hours)
	11 AM - 3 PM Monday March 13	(4 hours)
	1 PM - 5 PM Wednesday March 15	(4 hours)
	2:30 PM - 6:30 PM Thursday March 16	(4 hours)
6 PM - 10 PM Monday March 20	(4 hours)	

Upper Youngs Bay	8 AM - Noon Thursday March 23	(4 hours)
	11 AM - 3 PM Monday March 27	(4 hours)
	2:30 PM - 6:30 PM Thursday March 30	(4 hours)
	5:30 PM - 9:30 PM Monday April 3	(4 hours)

#### Spring Season

Upper Youngs Bay	7 AM - 11 AM Thursday April 20	(4 hours)
	10:30 AM - 2:30 PM Tuesday April 25	(4 hours)
Youngs Bay	Noon - 4 PM Thursday April 27	(4 hours)
	4 PM - 8 PM Monday May 1	(4 hours)
	5 PM - 9 PM Wednesday May 3	(4 hours)

## ***Youngs Bay Commercial Salmon Fishery continued***

5:30 PM - 9:30 PM Thursday May 4	(4 hours)
6 AM Monday May 8 - 9am Friday May 12	(4 days)
6 AM Monday May 15 - 9am Friday May 19	(4 days)
6 AM Monday May 22 - 9am Friday May 26	(4 days)
6 AM Monday May 29 - 9am Friday June 2	(4 days)
6 AM Monday June 5 - 9am Friday June 9	(4 days)
6 AM Monday June 12 - Noon Thursday June 15	(3 days)

### **Summer Season**

Youngs Bay	6 AM Monday June 19 - 9am Friday June 23	(4 days)
	6 AM Monday June 26 - 9am Friday June 30	(4 days)
	6 AM Monday July 3 - 9am Friday July 7	(4 days)
	6 AM Monday July 10 - 9am Friday July 14	(4 days)
	6 AM Tuesday July 18 - Noon Thursday July 20	(2 days)
	6 AM Tuesday July 25 - Noon Thursday July 27	(2 days)

Area:  
Youngs Bay

The Youngs Bay Select Area is defined as waters of Youngs Bay and Youngs River southeasterly of the Highway 101 Bridge upstream to the regulatory marker(s) at the confluence of the Klaskanine and Youngs rivers, including the Walluski River downstream of the Highway 202 Bridge, and the Lewis and Clark River north (downstream) of the overhead power lines approximately 500 feet south (upstream) of Barrett Slough. During the winter season, the upstream boundary in the Lewis and Clark River is the Alternate Highway 101 Bridge (Lewis and Clark Bridge).

Upper Youngs Bay

The Upper Youngs Bay Area includes all waters within the Youngs Bay Select Area upstream of the old Youngs Bay Bridge.

Gear:

Gill nets may not exceed 1,500 feet (250 fathoms) in length. Lead line weight may not exceed two pounds per any one fathom except the use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the lead line is permitted in these areas:

- 1) Youngs River upstream of regulatory markers located approximately 200 yards southerly (upstream) of the mouth of the Walluski River.
- 2) In the lower Walluski River from the first dock near the mouth upstream to the Highway 202 Bridge.
- 3) In the Lewis and Clark River from the Alternate Highway 101 Bridge upstream to the overhead powerlines approximately 500 feet southerly (upstream) of Barrett Slough.

A red cork must be placed on the corkline every 25 fathoms as measured from the first mesh of the net. Red corks at 25-fathom intervals must be in color contrast to the corks used in the remainder of the net.

## **Tongue Point/South Channel Commercial Salmon Fishery (Zone 71)**

- Adopted seasons as follows:

### **Winter Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Tongue Point and South Channel	Thursday February 16 - Friday February 17	(1 night)
	Sunday February 19 - Monday February 20	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 21 - Wednesday February 22	(1 night)
	Thursday February 23 - Friday February 24	(1 night)
	Sunday February 26 - Monday February 27	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 28 - Wednesday March 1	(1 night)
	Thursday March 2 - Friday March 3	(1 night)
	Sunday March 5 - Monday March 6	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 7 - Wednesday March 8	(1 night)
Thursday March 9 - Friday March 10	(1 night)	
Tongue Point	10 PM Sunday March 12 to 2 AM Monday March 13	(4 hours)
	Midnight - 4 AM Wednesday March 15	(4 hours)
	3 AM - 7 AM Friday March 17	(4 hours)
	7 PM - 11 PM Monday March 20	(4 hours)

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

South Channel	Sunday March 12 - Monday March 13	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 14 - Wednesday March 15	(1 night)
	Thursday March 16 - Friday March 17	(1 night)
	Monday March 20 - Tuesday March 21	(1 night)
	Thursday March 23 - Friday March 24	(1 night)
	11:30 PM Monday March 27 - 3:30 AM Tuesday March 28	(4 hours)
	3 AM - 7 AM Friday March 31	(4 hours)
	6 PM - 10 PM Monday April 3	(4 hours)
	7:30 PM - 11:30 PM Thursday April 6	(4 hours)
	10 PM Monday April 10 - 2 AM Tuesday April 11	(4 hours)
1:30 AM - 5:30 AM Friday April 14	(4 hours)	

### **Spring Season**

South Channel	5:30 PM - 9:30 PM Monday April 17	(4 hours)
	7:30 PM - 11:30 PM Thursday April 20	(4 hours)
	7 PM Tuesday April 25 - 7 AM Wednesday April 26	(1 night)

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

***Tongue Point/South Channel Commercial Salmon  
Fishery continued***

Tongue Point and South Channel	Thursday April 27 - Friday April 28	(1 night)
	Monday May 1 - Tuesday May 2	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 3 - Thursday May 4	(1 night)
	Thursday May 4 - Friday May 5	(1 night)
	Monday May 8 - Tuesday May 9	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 9 - Wednesday May 10	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 10 - Thursday May 11	(1 night)
	Thursday May 11 - Friday May 12	(1 night)
	Monday May 15 - Tuesday May 16	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 16 - Wednesday May 17	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 17 - Thursday May 18	(1 night)
	Thursday May 18 - Friday May 19	(1 night)
	Monday May 22 - Tuesday May 23	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 23 - Wednesday May 24	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 24 - Thursday May 25	(1 night)
	Thursday May 25 - Friday May 26	(1 night)
	Monday May 29 - Tuesday May 30	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 30 - Wednesday May 31	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 31 - Thursday June 1	(1 night)
	Thursday June 1 - Friday June 2	(1 night)
	Monday June 5 - Tuesday June 6	(1 night)
	Tuesday June 6 - Wednesday June 7	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 7 - Thursday June 8	(1 night)
	Thursday June 8 - Friday June 9	(1 night)
	Monday June 12 - Tuesday June 13	(1 night)
	Tuesday June 13 - Wednesday June 14	(1 night)
Wednesday June 14 - Thursday June 15	(1 night)	

**Summer Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Tongue Point and South Channel	Monday June 19 - Tuesday June 20	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 21 - Thursday June 22	(1 night)
	Thursday June 22 - Friday June 23	(1 night)
	Monday June 26 - Tuesday June 27	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 28 - Thursday June 29	(1 night)
	Thursday June 29 - Friday June 30	(1 night)
	Monday July 3 - Tuesday July 4	(1 night)
	Wednesday July 5 - Thursday July 6	(1 night)
	Thursday July 6 - Friday July 7	(1 night)
	Monday July 10 - Tuesday July 11	(1 night)
	Wednesday July 12 - Thursday July 13	(1 night)
	Thursday July 13 - Friday July 14	(1 night)

Area:  
Tongue  
Point

The Tongue Point Winter-Spring Subarea is defined as waters of the Columbia River bounded by a line from the end of the southern-most pier (#1) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility projecting in a straight line through flashing red USCG light "6" to the shore of Mott Island, a line from a regulatory marker at the southeast end of Mott Island northeasterly to a regulatory marker on the northwest shore of Lois Island, and a line from a regulatory marker located on the Oregon shore approximately 300 yards northwest of the railroad bridge crossing the John Day River projecting easterly to a regulatory marker on the southwest shore of Lois Island. If the marker on the Oregon shore is not in place, the upper boundary is defined by a line projecting easterly from a point (46°10'57.7"N latitude 123°44'35.3"W longitude) on the Oregon shore approximately 300 yards northwest of the railroad bridge crossing the John Day River to a regulatory marker on the southwest shore of Lois Island.

For summer fisheries, the open waters include the entire Tongue Point Select Area as described in OAR 635-042-0170(1)(a) and WAC 20-301-010 (11)(c). If the marker on the eastern shore of Tongue Point is not in place, the downstream boundary is defined by a line projecting from a point (46°12'31.1"N latitude 123°45'34.0"W longitude) on the eastern shore of Tongue Point to the flashing green USCG light "3" on the rock jetty at the northwest tip of Mott Island.

South  
Channel

The South Channel Select Area is defined as waters of the Columbia River bounded by a line from a regulatory marker on the Oregon shore at John Day Point projecting northeasterly to a regulatory marker on the southwest shore of Lois Island, and a line from a regulatory marker on Settler Point projecting northwesterly to the flashing red USCG light "10" then projecting westerly to the eastern tip of Burnside Island.

Gear:

The maximum net length is 1,500 feet (250 fathoms). In the Tongue Point Select Area and the Tongue Point Winter-Spring Subarea, the lead line weight may not exceed two pounds per any one fathom; however, unstored gillnets legal for use in South Channel may be onboard. In the South Channel Select Area, there is no lead line weight limit and attachment of additional weight and anchors directly to the lead line is permitted.

### ***Blind Slough (Zone 74) and Knappa Slough (Zone 73) Commercial Salmon Fishery***

- Adopted seasons as follows:

#### **Winter Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

***Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Commercial Salmon  
Fishery continued***

Blind Slough and Knappa Slough	Thursday February 16 - Friday February 17	(1 night)
	Sunday February 19 - Monday February 20	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 21 - Wednesday February 22	(1 night)
	Thursday February 23 - Friday February 24	(1 night)
	Sunday February 26 - Monday February 27	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 28 - Wednesday March 1	(1 night)
	Thursday March 2 - Friday March 3	(1 night)
	Sunday March 5 - Monday March 6	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 7 - Wednesday March 8	(1 night)
	Thursday March 9 - Friday March 10	(1 night)
	Sunday March 12 - Monday March 13	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 14 - Wednesday March 15	(1 night)
	Thursday March 16 - Friday March 17	(1 night)
	Monday March 20 - Tuesday March 21	(1 night)
	Thursday March 23 - Friday March 24	(1 night)
	Monday March 27 - Tuesday March 28	(1 night)
Thursday March 30 - Friday March 31	(1 night)	

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Blind Slough	Monday April 3 - Tuesday April 4	(1 night)
	Thursday April 6 - Friday April 7	(1 night)
	Monday April 10 - Tuesday April 11	(1 night)
	Thursday April 13 - Friday April 14	(1 night)
Knappa Slough	7 PM - 11 PM Monday April 3	(4 hours)
	8:30 PM Thursday April 6 - 12:30 AM Friday April 7	(4 hours)
	11 PM Monday April 10 - 3 AM Tuesday April 11	(4 hours)
	2:30 AM - 6:30 AM Friday April 14	(4 hours)

**Spring Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Blind Slough and Knappa Slough	Monday April 17 - Tuesday April 18	(1 night)
	Thursday April 20 - Friday April 21	(1 night)
	Tuesday April 25 - Wednesday April 26	(1 night)
	Thursday April 27 - Friday April 28	(1 night)
	Monday May 1 - Tuesday May 2	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 3 - Thursday May 4	(1 night)

***Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Commercial Salmon  
Fishery continued***

Thursday May 4 - Friday May 5	(1 night)
Monday May 8 - Tuesday May 9	(1 night)
Tuesday May 9 - Wednesday May 10	(1 night)
Wednesday May 10 - Thursday May 11	(1 night)
Thursday May 11 - Friday May 12	(1 night)
Monday May 15 - Tuesday May 16	(1 night)
Tuesday May 16 - Wednesday May 17	(1 night)
Wednesday May 17 - Thursday May 18	(1 night)
Thursday May 18 - Friday May 19	(1 night)
Monday May 22 - Tuesday May 23	(1 night)
Tuesday May 23 - Wednesday May 24	(1 night)
Wednesday May 24 - Thursday May 25	(1 night)
Thursday May 25 - Friday May 26	(1 night)
Monday May 29 - Tuesday May 30	(1 night)
Tuesday May 30 - Wednesday May 31	(1 night)
Wednesday May 31 - Thursday June 1	(1 night)
Thursday June 1 - Friday June 2	(1 night)
Monday June 5 - Tuesday June 6	(1 night)
Tuesday June 6 - Wednesday June 7	(1 night)
Wednesday June 7 - Thursday June 8	(1 night)
Thursday June 8 - Friday June 9	(1 night)
Monday June 12 - Tuesday June 13	(1 night)
Tuesday June 13 - Wednesday June 14	(1 night)
Wednesday June 14 - Thursday June 15	(1 night)

**Summer Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Blind Slough and Knappa Slough	Monday June 19 - Tuesday June 20	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 21 - Thursday June 22	(1 night)
	Thursday June 22 - Friday June 23	(1 night)
	Monday June 26 - Tuesday June 27	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 28 - Thursday June 29	(1 night)
	Thursday June 29 - Friday June 30	(1 night)
	Monday July 3 - Tuesday July 4	(1 night)
	Wednesday July 5 - Thursday July 6	(1 night)
	Thursday July 6 - Friday July 7	(1 night)
	Monday July 10 - Tuesday July 11	(1 night)
	Wednesday July 12 - Thursday July 13	(1 night)
	Thursday July 13 - Friday July 14	(1 night)

Area:  
Blind Slough                    The Blind Slough Select Area is defined as waters of Blind Slough and Gnat Creek from a north-south line represented by regulatory markers at the mouth of Blind Slough upstream to a regulatory marker in Gnat Creek located approximately 0.5 miles southeasterly (upstream) of the Barendse Road Bridge.

Knappa Slough                    The Knappa Slough Select Area is defined as waters of Knappa Slough, Calendar Slough, and Big Creek Slough bounded to the north (upstream) by a line projecting from a regulatory marker on the eastern shore of Karlson Island to the northernmost regulatory marker at the mouth of Blind Slough and bounded to the west (downstream) by a line projecting southerly from a regulatory marker on the southwestern tip of Karlson Island through regulatory markers on the western tips of Minaker Island to a marker on the Oregon shore. The waters of Knappa Slough within a 100-foot radius of the railroad bridge crossing Big Creek are closed.

Through May 5, the downstream (western) boundary in Knappa Slough is a north-south line projecting through the easternmost tip of Minaker Island and regulatory markers on Karlson Island and the Oregon shore.

Gear:                                Gill nets may not exceed 600 feet (100 fathoms) in length. There is no lead line weight limit and attachment of additional weight or anchors directly to the lead line is permitted.

***Deep River Commercial Salmon Fishery (Zone 80)***

- Adopted seasons as follows:

**Winter Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Deep River	Thursday February 16 - Friday February 17	(1 night)
	Sunday February 19 - Monday February 20	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 21 - Wednesday February 22	(1 night)
	Thursday February 23 - Friday February 24	(1 night)
	Sunday February 26 - Monday February 27	(1 night)
	Tuesday February 28 - Wednesday March 1	(1 night)
	Thursday March 2 - Friday March 3	(1 night)
	Sunday March 5 - Monday March 6	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 7 - Wednesday March 8	(1 night)
	Thursday March 9 - Friday March 10	(1 night)
	Sunday March 12 - Monday March 13	(1 night)
	Tuesday March 14 - Wednesday March 15	(1 night)
	Thursday March 16 - Friday March 17	(1 night)



## ***Deep River Commercial Salmon Fishery continued***

Monday March 20 - Tuesday March 21	(1 night)
Thursday March 23 - Friday March 24	(1 night)
Monday March 27 - Tuesday March 28	(1 night)
Thursday March 30 - Friday March 31	(1 night)
Monday April 3 - Tuesday April 4	(1 night)
Thursday April 6 - Friday April 7	(1 night)
Monday April 10 - Tuesday April 11	(1 night)
Thursday April 13 - Friday April 14	(1 night)

### **Spring Season**

Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on the following nights:

Deep River	Monday April 17 - Tuesday April 18	(1 night)
	Thursday April 20 - Friday April 21	(1 night)
	Tuesday April 25 - Wednesday April 26	(1 night)
	Thursday April 27 - Friday April 28	(1 night)
	Monday May 1 - Tuesday May 2	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 3 - Thursday May 4	(1 night)
	Thursday May 4 - Friday May 5	(1 night)
	Monday May 8 - Tuesday May 9	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 9 - Wednesday May 10	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 10 - Thursday May 11	(1 night)
	Thursday May 11 - Friday May 12	(1 night)
	Monday May 15 - Tuesday May 16	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 16 - Wednesday May 17	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 17 - Thursday May 18	(1 night)
	Thursday May 18 - Friday May 19	(1 night)
	Monday May 22 - Tuesday May 23	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 23 - Wednesday May 24	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 24 - Thursday May 25	(1 night)
	Thursday May 25 - Friday May 26	(1 night)
	Monday May 29 - Tuesday May 30	(1 night)
	Tuesday May 30 - Wednesday May 31	(1 night)
	Wednesday May 31 - Thursday June 1	(1 night)
	Thursday June 1 - Friday June 2	(1 night)
	Monday June 5 - Tuesday June 6	(1 night)
	Tuesday June 6 - Wednesday June 7	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 7 - Thursday June 8	(1 night)
	Thursday June 8 - Friday June 9	(1 night)
	Monday June 12 - Tuesday June 13	(1 night)
	Tuesday June 13 - Wednesday June 14	(1 night)
	Wednesday June 14 - Thursday June 15	(1 night)

Area:	The Deep River Select Area is defined as those waters of Deep River from the lower boundary line, at USCG navigation marker #16 southwest to a marker on the Washington shore, upstream to the Highway 4 Bridge.
Gear:	Net restricted to a maximum length of 100 fathoms and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed. Nets are not allowed to fully cross the navigation channel. It is unlawful to operate in any river, stream or channel any gill net longer than three-fourths the width of the stream (WAC 220-20-015 (1)). It shall be unlawful in any area to use, operate, or carry aboard a commercial fishing vessel a licensed net or combination of such nets, whether fished singly or separately, in excess of the maximum lawful size or length prescribed for a single net in that area, except as otherwise provided for in the rules and regulations of the department WAC 220-20-010 (17).
Miscellaneous Regulations:	Transportation or possession of fish outside the fishing area (except to the sampling station) is unlawful until WDFW staff has biologically sampled individual catches. After sampling, fishers will be issued a transportation permit by WDFW staff. During the winter and spring seasons fishers are required to call 360-846-5268 to confirm the location and time of sampling.

**The following Gear, Allowable Sales, Miscellaneous Regulations, and Reporting Rules applies to all Select Area commercial seasons adopted above.**

Gear:	7-inch minimum mesh size restriction is in effect during winter seasons. 9 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub> -inch maximum mesh size restriction is in effect during spring and summer seasons. Nets not specifically authorized for use in these areas may be onboard a 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.
Allowable Sales:	Salmon (except Chum) and shad.
Miscellaneous Regulations:	Permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys remain in effect.
Reporting Rules:	Oregon buyers are required to submit fish receiving tickets electronically pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210. 24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, per WAC 220-352-315 except landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

## **Treaty Indian Fisheries**

### ***Zone 6 Commercial Gillnet Fishery***

- The states have adopted regulations consistent with the recent fishery actions taken by the treaty tribes relative to 2023 gillnet fisheries in The Dalles and John Day pools as shown:
  - The previously adopted gillnet fishing period in The Dalles Pool scheduled for 6 AM Monday February 13 to 6 PM Tuesday February 14, 2023 has been rescinded.
  - The previously adopted action to extend the close date for the John Day Pool gillnet fishing period to Monday February 20, 2023 has been rescinded. This fishery is closed as of noon Monday February 13, 2023.

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## **Future Meetings**

- A Joint State Hearing is scheduled for 10 AM February 22, 2023 to consider mainstem Columbia River recreational spring Chinook fisheries. The meeting will be held at the WDFW Ridgefield office (5525 S. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Ridgefield, Washington 98642) and a teleconference call-in option will be available.
- For information concerning these decisions see the February 14, 2023, Winter Fact Sheet No.5 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).