

**COLUMBIA RIVER INTER-TRIBAL FISH COMMISSION
 TRIBAL STAFF REPORT - SPRING FACT SHEET NO. 9
 Columbia River Compact/Joint State Hearing
 June 6, 2016**

<i>Fisheries under consideration:</i>
Treaty Commercial spring Platform and Hook and Line fishery

STOCK STATUS

Stock status and management guidelines for 2016 spring management period Chinook fisheries were presented in Winter Fact Sheet #1a (January 27, 2016)

- Bonneville Dam passage through June 5 totals 146,742 adult and 12,056 jack spring chinook. Additionally, 3,221 summer steelhead and 3,408 sockeye have passed Bonneville Dam.
- TAC met today and maintained the spring chinook run size projection at the river mouth of 184,000 adult fish.

TREATY INDIAN FISHERIES

- Under current forecast run size the allowed harvest rate under the *U.S. v. Oregon* Management Agreement is 9.1% which equates to an allowed catch of 16,744.
- The four tribes have finished permit gillnet fisheries and commercial sale for the treaty platform/h&l fishery was opened on May 16 and is ongoing.
- A commercial gillnet fishery was held on May 25-27. There were 250 set nets counted in the fishery.
- The preliminary treaty harvest to date along with expectations for the platform and hook and line fisheries through June 15 are shown in the table below.

<i>Fishery Sector</i>	<i>Chinook Catch</i>
Ceremonial Permits (ended during week 20)	7,846
Zone 6 platform fishery Through 5/14 (Weeks 13-20)	1,690
Fishery Downstream of Bonneville through 5/14	1,380
Subtotal platform and H&L Through 5/14	3,070
Week 13-20 Subtotal all through 5/14	10,916
Week 21 Zone 6 Platform H&L 5/15-5/21	1,880
Week 22 - Zone 6 platform H&L, WS below Bon, Gillnet	2,263
Week 23 - Zone 6 Platform H&L	808
Sub-total All Sectors through Week 23 (through 6/4)	15,867
Allowed	16,744
Remaining as of 6/4	877
Projection Week 24	400
Projection Week 25	250
Projected total through 6/15	16,517
Remaining as of 6/15	227

- Prices are high for spring chinook currently which stimulates more effort and catch. Because of relatively high effort and catch in the ongoing platform and hook and line fishery, the tribes have decided to prohibit the commercial sale of fish beginning at 6:00 PM on Monday June 6.
- The tribes expect that this will reduce effort to a level that is expected to keep the overall spring fishery within its allowed harvest limit.

2016 Treaty Indian Zone 6 Platform and Hook and Line Fishery
Effective 6:00 PM Monday June 6: Commercial sales of fish harvested in the Zone 6 Platform and Hook and Line Fishery is prohibited. The fishery remains open for subsistence use.

2016 Yakama Nation Zone 6 Tributary Platform and Hook and Line Fisheries
Effective 6:00 PM Monday June 6 through 6:00 AM Thursday June 16: Commercial sales of fish harvested in the Yakama Nation Zone 6 Tributary Fisheries is prohibited. The fisheries remain open for subsistence use under their current schedules.

- The tribes will continue to monitor the spring fishery and will make any additional changes needed to ensure the chinook harvest remains within the allowed limit.

ADDITIONAL HEARINGS

The first summer season Compact Hearing will be held by teleconference at 10:00 AM on Thursday June 9.