



Joint-State Columbia River Salmon Fishery Policy Review Committee (PRC)

**Public Comments received between
October 2, 2019 through November 6, 2019**

for the November 18 meeting

8 a.m. – 5p.m.

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Region 5 Office
5525 S 11th St Ridgefield WA 98642

**Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Reforms and
Return Gillnets to Mainstem**

511 individuals submitted the attached letter
(List Attached)

180 submitted with additional comments
[Letters Attached]

From: [Mr. & Mrs. Milton Hunt](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 5:40:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

Instead of falling back on indiscriminate, industrial commercial gillnetting, our region must fully transition to fisheries capable of selective harvest - recreational and commercial - to harvest more hatchery and healthy wild stocks of salmon within the limited number of endangered salmon and steelhead that may be impacted in state fisheries. Our goal should be to get more wild salmon back to the spawning grounds, not merely the bare minimum.

The bi-state reforms are the result of significant effort and compromise, including increased hatchery production to benefit gillnet harvests in off-channel areas. Efforts to undo the reforms put this hatchery production and the funding available for Columbia River salmon management at risk. Efforts to extend Washington's Columbia River endorsement fee were recently rejected by their state legislature and Oregon's endorsement must be reauthorized next year.

One key purpose of the bi-state reforms was to enhance the overall economic benefits of the fishery and provide more certainty for fisheries - it was never to increase gillnet industry profits.

I urge you to reject any further efforts to abandon the Columbia River reforms and hold the agencies accountable for their implementation.

Sincerely,

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32629 Coal Creek Rd
Scappoose, OR 97056
miltondhunt@yahoo.com

FROM	SUBJECT	RECEIVED	SIZE	CATEGORIES
Date: Today				
Elmer Green	Don't Aband...	Wed 11/6/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, How many times must we sport fishermen attempt to block you folks from giving a few hundred Gill				
Date: Yesterday				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Tue 11/5/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Date: Monday				
Russ Thackery	Don't Aband...	Mon 11/4/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Do not allow gillnets in the lower Columbia River. We need to protect and enhance our wild salmon				
Date: Last Week				
Perry Walsh	Don't Aband...	Fri 11/1/2019...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Jeff Akers	Don't Aband...	Fri 11/1/2019...	20 KB	
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Leo Morris	Don't Aband...	Fri 11/1/2019...	22 KB	
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George Bart...	Don't Aband...	Thu 10/31/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Philip Hawkins	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/30/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Robert Claeys	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/30/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnetting is insane with salmon runs diminishing. I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the				
Donald Claeys	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/30/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The fishery is already poor, please don't abandon what we have and make it worse. I didn't catch one				
Leo Morris	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/29/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
George Krumm	Keep Your Pr...	Mon 10/28/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I, like many others, have been paying for the Columbia River Basin Endorsement for several years. I'm				
[REDACTED]				
Marilyn Leno	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/28/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, How could anybody call themselves conservationist and allow these kill nets on our rivers. We the				
Dave Coleman	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/27/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, If protecting our native salmon and steelhead species is our goal, allowing gillnets in the lower				
charles white	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/27/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Date: Two Weeks Ago				
Ron Richey	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/26/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Daniel RAM...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/25/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Salmon and steelhead returns to the Columbia River are at an all time low. Reversing Columbia River				
Cary Rhode	Protect Our ...	Fri 10/25/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, To save some money, the damage done is often irreversible. Please don't make the same mistake				
Andreas Grob	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/25/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not do this and move away from this. We will oppose any of these movements and fight for				

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Kenneth Har...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/25/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Kris Lumsden	The sport fi...	Fri 10/25/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, If you continue to charge the sportfishermen for licenses and take their catch away, you will be sorry.				
Paul Mikesh	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/25/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please give the fish a break and stop this indiscriminant destruction of this precious resource for the				
Jim Younger	Don't Aband...	Thu 10/24/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Dale Hewitt	Don't Aband...	Thu 10/24/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Highway robbery! That is how I see it. Wa/OR fish and game gladly accepted my money for Columbia				
kelly goss	Don't Aband...	Thu 10/24/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, What is so hard to get that our. salmon runs are depleting because of Sea lions, Gill Netters and the				
Blake Belveal	Don't Aband...	Thu 10/24/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I've fished for salmon and steelhead in Oregon 40+ years, and have witnessed first hand the steady				
JEFFREY HULL	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Commercial salmon fishing began depleting Columbia River salmon numbers with the advent of				
Nolan Matsu...	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Dear Commissioners, This is the second year in a row that the salmon/steelhead seasons have closed				
Edward Edg...	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Maybe the Oregon Sportsman should boycott fishing & hunting for a year and see how the State				
Norm Brenden	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Roy Humphrey	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	20 KB	
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Tim Hooper	Don't Aband...	Wed 10/23/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, no gillnetting period I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery				
Eric Erickson	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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Michael Brown	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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David Brown	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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Jason Renoud	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am stunned when ODFW makes decisions that further decreases recreational fisheries. Most of the				
Ben Ravert	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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Doug Brown	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	22 KB	
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Lloyd Loncosky	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Our salmon and steelhead runs are decimated and numbers continue to plummet with the result				
Brandon Davis	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	22 KB	
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TERRY WAL...	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Its time to get the killnets off of the columbia for good. ODFW seems to disregard the voices of the				
joe sugura	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	18 KB	
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Vance Briese	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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Brad Vesterby	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	20 KB	
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Leo Morris	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	22 KB	
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Chris Paresa	Do Not Retu...	Tue 10/22/20...	19 KB	
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Brad Staples	Don't Aband...	Tue 10/22/20...	21 KB	
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Rodger Sellin	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, STOP THIS PRACTICE..PLEASE I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River				
Russell Kelly	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Bill Mitchell	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	22 KB	
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Rick Jurgensen	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Dennis Buch...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnetters do not belong in any Oregon rivers period. The gillnetters and Sea Lions can do there				
Bill Rodberg	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Brian Ferguson	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Mike Hambach	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Mark Pilako...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please don't allow gillnets. I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery				
John Hall	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We have been paying for the reform and if the nets get back in for Spring fishery. Why have we been				
Joe Headlee	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Patrick Falk	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Grant James	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Dear ODFW. Please consider the where the majority of the funding for ODFW comes from and make				
Stephen Lewis	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Steven Gilgu...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	22 KB	
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Troy Cummins	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The Commissions continued consideration of returning gillnets to the mainstream Columbia River is				
Alan Olson	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Dave Hogue, L	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Lee Plummer	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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John Elder	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Mike Lane	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have no idea why Oregon would allow non- selective gill nets to be in a river with endangered stocks				
Craig Malino...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The reality here, is the O.D.F.W and State of Oregon, is (Guilty), of Domestic Terrorism !! After, We The				
Mark Grube	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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jeff bunnell	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	18 KB	
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Kim Hasselb...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please take action to discontinue all GILLNETTING in the Columbia to save our Fishery for the Future				
Mike Walshe	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Commissioners of the ODFW,				
Bill Monroe ...	PLEASE DO ...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Hello- my name is Bill Monroe Jr. I'm writing to please ask NOT to increase or even to return to put				
Kevin Collson	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Fred Kling	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Willa Zook	Columbia Riv...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
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Rob Gibbs	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I fish the Columbia and have watched the numbers of fish drop over the years and now more gill nets				
Robert Sim...	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Phil Bernhard	Don't Aband...	Mon 10/21/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please allow the rivers to be filled with fish, to be caught individually instead of mass harvesting. Leave				
Dale Carper	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am one of thousands in Oregon who contributes large amounts of my hard earned pay check to the				
Gary Whets...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Robert Morton	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, There is no reason to allow non-selective giblets on the main stem of the Columbia River when there				

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Jeff Freund	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Prioritizing commercial non-selective gillnet fishing is bad policy and bad science. It endangers many				
Greg Hedrick	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Alex Doja	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Edward Rabi...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You can't really be considering non-selective fishing our dwindling salmon stocks. No one could be				
Randy Klobas	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The gill net fishery kills way to much bycatch to be an invironmentaly acceptable harvest system. Seine				
Michael Drais	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Marv Abe	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please defend the sportsmens' desire to continue fishing the Columbia River. It seems that the fish				
Dean Sigler	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Who is promoting this? What would they gain? What would we all lose? I strongly oppose proposals				
Charles Lobdell	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	22 KB	
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David Thomp...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Kent Hall	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Several years ago, I traveled over 300 miles to fish in the Willamette river for springers and in 3 days 3				
Jim Collins, Jr	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Terri moshb...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Greg Ostrom	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am a life long Oregonian. The idea of allowing Gillnetters back on the main stem Columbia is not				
Jeffrey Mo...	Gillnets Are ...	Sun 10/20/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We all know that gillnets kill indiscriminately, so why is this continuing to be brought forth for				
Lisa Springer	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, To our respected ODFW Commissioners.				
Gerald Fry	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Richard Bom...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, If you go in this direction you will wipe out all the fish which results in no fishing. So if there is no				
Erik Barber	Stick to pre...	Sun 10/20/20...	19 KB	
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Douglas DuP...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnets capture native salmon, not just hatchery raised salmon. Increasing oommercial use of gillnets				
Margaret W...	Please maint...	Sun 10/20/20...	19 KB	
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LARRY ALE...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Peter Metzger	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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James Russell	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Your proposed action to abandon these previous reforms is just plain wrong, and I think you know it.				
Ronald Taylor	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, At a point in time when I as a sports fisherman have experienced limited fishing opportunities, low				
Jeffrey Albee	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	22 KB	
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William Rainey	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	22 KB	
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Ron Ritenour	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We the sportsmen in Oregon should have never trusted our government to shut down the gill nets on				
Carl Hanson	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Andrew Hubel	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	22 KB	
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Damon Struble	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Jonathan Gibbs	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We have all pushed to remove Gill nets including me.The reason for that is so Me and may family have				
Bruce Williams	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I write to you as an avid Oregon fisherman and retired biologist. I strongly oppose proposals to				
Joseph Tem...	Don't Aband...	Sun 10/20/20...	20 KB	
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Leo Morris	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The Columbia River Endorsement for sport-fishing must not be wasted.				
Dan Holmes	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You have no right to destroy our fish runs with your poor decisions which historically have destroyed				
Kevin McPhail	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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TERRY WAL...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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THOMAS M...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Cortney Burrus	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Margaret Lo...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We, the people you represent, have been paying extra money for fishing licenses for 6 years to fund				
James Kehoe	Gillnet Fishin...	Sat 10/19/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners,				
William Safko	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, All we have to do is follow the politicians and the gill netters money. Both are corrupt. You cannot				
Steven Gilgu...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
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DAVE Nelson	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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David McNeill	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have fished in Oregon lakes, rivers and bays for over 23 years and have enjoyed the many benefits of				
Eric Duhamel	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
DAVID MCCOY	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Jim Camp	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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mark Board...	Looking out f...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please allow for multiple use of the steahead and salmon fisheries. Gil netting doesn't. Remember the				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
James Harvey	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The sportsmen have been drastically restricted in our quest for salmon and steelhead due to low runs				
Albert Larrea	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Our steelhead and salmon run,				

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Ralph Veldink	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We are now 2 years beyond the agreement that was reached to remove gill nets from the Columbia				
James Wong	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Dan Grumbling	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been fishing in Oregon for about 65 years, I have fished less this year because of low fish counts				
Daniel Beaty	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Alan Cochran	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, It simply amazes me that we spend billions of dollars trying to protect and improve the Columbia				
Rod Evers	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Why do you keep on trying to get gillnets back in the Columbia River? Enough people have express				
geoffrey ga...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, time is now to due your part to save our salmon!!!! I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the				
gerald bell	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Dale Wolford	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Do your job, let the sportfishing community have some fish. Get rid of the gillnets and crank up the				
Brian Christ...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Can the states just do what they said they would instead of constantly lying to the public. I strongly				
Brooks EILE...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not go back to the archaic, indiscriminate methods of harvest. Keep the Columbia River				
Dan Spearing	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Rick Klettke	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You destroyed Columbia River salmon with the political agenda to build dams then tried to cover up				
Renee Klettke	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You should be ashamed of the handling of the Columbia River fishery and gill nets. I strongly oppose				
carl DePaolo, J	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Eric Neal	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You are cutting salmon fishing seasons and limits due to lack of fish returning. This only makes the				
Clifton Powell	Deep pocket...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, income supplementation-not 100% lively hood I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state				
JEFF SHULL	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Ron Dilbeck	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I was born in The Dalles in 1953 while the dam was being built. My father would crawl down a ladder				
Molly Ray	Concerned fi...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not harm the endangered salmon and steelhead by allowing gilnetting!!!!!! I strongly				
Michael Hea...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Sportfishing brings in millions if not billion dollars to Pacific northwest. Fish have enough hurdles				
Tom Urdzik	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Raymond Bu...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, gillnets kill everything that puts their head in it! I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state				
Jack Gaston	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Also it doesn't makeAny sense to possibly kill 10 fish to keep one hatchery fish should be able to keep				
Chad Price	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The recommendations by the joint state work group, which is stacked with commercial fishing				
Tim Wolford	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I sick of paying a tax for years now that was supposed to be for these reforms. About to give it all up,				
Terry Coleman	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Richard Martin	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please, No More Broken Promise's I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia				
Roger Goodwin	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Ronald Salzer	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I guess if they want the gillnets in we need to remove the dams. I strongly oppose proposals to				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I fish out of Chinook Landing for springers. I guess I should say I use to. I seems that every year when				
Mike Arnold	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
John Julian	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, As I, along with most of the angling public feel the state has betrayed us on this issue. If a reason for				
William Buttler	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Randy Bailey	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I've fished the Clearwater and Snake all my life. I've been looking forward to taking my grandchildren.				
greg hepner	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
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Dan Soule	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Greg Spanos	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I've retired to OR for its' iconic fishery. And ready to move to New Zealand (with my money), for their				
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Steven Hougak	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, To the people on the Oregon fish commission, Who do you think pays your bills every year? It's the				
Richard Bryan	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Philip Longway	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Hey people please wake up! This is the 21st century! There is no reason except for greed to allow gill				
Douglas Mas...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, For states that pride themselves on wildlife conservation, I am astounded that Oregon and				

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Leon Kitchin	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Michael Spr...	Keep the gill...	Sat 10/19/20...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Why would you even think this is a good idea? I live in Idaho and our steelhead season is closed. Our				
Eric Anderson	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnets are size specific and have been removing larger fish since the 1800's. True recovery cannot				
Douglas Cus...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	19 KB	
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Steve Gentz...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Patrick Jones	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
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Mike Sones	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I cannot believe anyone would think gillnets are an option anywhere anytime. I strongly oppose				
Scott Kappes	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Donna Traaen	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Lynn Williams	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Steven Blair	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Tim Cooper	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Bryan Buckalew	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am a sport fisherman who has invested a significant amount of money into this activity and I find it				
Dale Stutevoss	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Kennan St....	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
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Betty Armst...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, In 2012, measure 81 was abandoned because sports fisherman and conservationists were promised				
Douglas Newell	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
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Richard Sch...	Don't Aband...	Sat 10/19/20...	22 KB	
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Brian Duffy	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Jay Wylie	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Mike Carlson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You made a deal, you made a promise! Sportsmen upheld our end of the deal. Don't let a few				
Wayne Spenst	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Mark Abolofia	NO GILLNE...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Reintroducing gillnets will destroy our fisheries that we all have worked so hard to maintain! I strongly				
MARK Carter	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, While gill nets have been banned in most countrys we continue to allow them in the Columbia				
Steve Krupicka	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Carolyn Cooper	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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james t. Ma...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
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James Mickel	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Michael Chu...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I've been sport fishing nearly my entire life, I'm 71 years old, this IS the stupidest proposal I have ever				
William Caff...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Alex Pena	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Bruce McGavin	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I was in a hogline near Kalama when a gillnet boat motored right through all the hoglines at speed. I				
Ron Eriksen	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Gregg Josep...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Robert Bors...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Michael Sallee	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Robert Kremer	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Bryan Mitchell	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Franklin Kap...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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David Kay	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Brad Halverson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Gary Holbrook	STOP NON ...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, As a sports angler I have the ability to retain or release any fish I catch. Gillnets or KILLNETS as I call				
Bryan Mulligan	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We did away with market hunting of our elk, deer, waterfowl, etc. Over a century ago. Why are we				
Chellie Smie...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Non selective gill netting for salmon on the Columbia river is not sustainable! I strongly oppose				
Shane Fogle...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Dylan Gollehon	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Commercial Gill netting in the main stream of the Columbia reform needs to stand firm. With				
Brenda Holb...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Greg McMillan	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The voters were scammed. We should have never compromised on this and voted these damn nets				
Stan Mende...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Harold Jone...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Roger Goodman	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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John murray	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Sharon Burge	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Greg Fair	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You have taken \$10 a year from my to fish in any tributary of the Columbia river for these reforms.				
Scott Nichols	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Daniel Erceg	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, It is our duty to encourage and enforce responsible fishing processes that will ensure survival of				
Dave Hendrie	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am strongly recommending not going forward with the initiative to bring back year round gillnetting.				
Albert Payn...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Carl Myers	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please stop funding the ODFW on the backs of the Sportsmen while allowing NETS to indiscriminately				
mark volland	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Get your crap together				
Joe Van Me...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Matt Hastings	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Dear Commissioners,				
Randy Singer	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, give us what we PAID for I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery				
Cory Sceva	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Allowing nets back on the main body of the Columbia not only affects the Columbia River fishery but				
john dale	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
sh spencer	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
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Makai Brusa...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We are the Pacific Northwest! The jewel of the nation for our beautiful land and our amazing natural				
Don Erickson...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please take my opinion and request to heart. Gill nets have done enough damage to our Columbia				
Rob Benton	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnetting is a non selective method of harvesting fish. The mortality rate for non targeted species is				
Fred Ciccotelli	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, So many of us work so hard and are so passionate about fishing catching so fewer and fewer fish and				
Randy Palmer	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please don't forget that most people support these reforms! I strongly oppose proposals to Tabandon				
Vern Stauss	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
don olson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, we continue to support our fisheries and the communities we visit. yet you hold gill netters desires				
Robb Sipler	Now is not t...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The time for a non selective Gill net fishery on the Columbia is over, especially with historically low				
Daniel Vorhies	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Paul Reeder	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Gillnetting is so nonselective we can't afford such an antiquated method of harvest. If there's enough				
Raymond Be...	Allowing "Kill...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
steven winn	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, If the resources of our sport fishery are not managed for all, it looks like the commission against sport				
jim traver	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, ridiculously stupid to have this the only place in the us that allows this get them OUT I strongly				

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Jeff Nelson	Opposed to ...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Jeff Heintz	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Matthew Danz	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am a fishing tackle store owner and avid salmon and steelhead fisherman. I have spent many years				
Dave Dunn	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Marshall Co...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not allow gill nets back into our shared waters on the Columbia River! These non selective				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners,				
Karl Keener	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Daniel Quan...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am a long time (since 1970) Salem, Oregon resident. I have been an active outdoorsman ever since				
Donavan Aklin	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Robert Gerding	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Terry Rost	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Chris Hauth	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Dave Skoubo	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Henry Rolfs	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Kenneth Reed	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Jim Marquardt	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, ODFW, Don't allow the positive changes that had been made to be reversed. Gillnets are not				
Russell Sumida	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Hans Blom	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, ODFW Commissioners				
Robert Pala...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Roger Gerte...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been an Oregon fisherman for over 50 years. I might not get a 2020 license ..no fun fishing				
Raymond Mc...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Robert Hyke	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please keep the nets out of the Columbia. We need the fish and the fish need us to help them				

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tim cloe	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Mark Vichas	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Roger Whitman	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Herman Flei...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Grace Neff	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Steve Garrett	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Russ Elliott	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please don't let the know nothing greedy gill netters back in the Columbia River with their kill				
Greg Peldyak	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Instead of non selectively harvest, let the commercials' use hook and line. Lets make smart decisions				
Sean Schau...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
mike Gibson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Frank Under...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Larry Sene	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You all have the undisputed information of what the fishery of the Columbia River is going thru.				
Jerry Neme...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, This is the second year in a row that ODFW has thrown me off the river before the good Chinook				
Kenneth Ha...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Ron Reed, J	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Benson Lee	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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NEIL WOLF	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Cal Honl	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Allen Swanson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please read attached information and vote to not abandon Columbia River Reforms I strongly oppose				
Rosalie Sable	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Tim Marl	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been fishing the Columbia for years and put countless dollars into programs to help improve				
David DeMain	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Terry Nowli...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Greg Borke	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Unbelievable! I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms				
duane hawkins	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, if you dont protect and save the salmon and steelhead fishery.....im gonna sell my place and move				
Levi Morris	say goodbye ...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, All sport fishermen who actually support odfw through licenses and purchasing all things tied to sport				
neil riewer	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The sport fisherman have been paying to subsidize the gillnetters for almost 10 years now. This was				
Jim Clabo	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Tracy Meskel	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, The Columbia River is no place for commercial nets, that indiscriminately kill! Why are we still having				
michael long	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please save our fish so that my children and grandchildren can enjoy the resources that they are				
Chris Giroux	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Donald Seet...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We had you on our side a few years ago now you switched again. Won't you ever learn? Maybe we'll				
Rob Gibbs	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Dwight Roofe	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Robert Miller	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Gary Water...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Susan Hoste...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Tim Wright	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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John Culver	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Paul JABS	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Why am I paying \$10 Columbia River endorsement? I thought it was to get the gill nets of the main				
Craig Bashford	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				

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KEVIN CUN...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Chris Del Carlo	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Rod Raney	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Dan Fitzpatr...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Jim Martin	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Let's do the right thing I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery				
James Lung	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Roger Wicklund	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am ashamed of the ODFW, the Oregon legislature, and our Governor for allowing the gillnets to				
William Barnum	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Commission members should be held accountable for these poorly thought out decisions. Are my				
Mark Clark	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not ruin sport fisheries on the lower Columbia and renege on the previously agreed				
Robert Askey	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, A lot of misleading information on harvest of fish in SAFE areas. The plan to take gillnets off the main				
Michael Yar...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Larry Seaman	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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John Conner	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Randy McAd...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been an Oregonian my whole life (58 years) and only recently the last (20) an avid fisherman. I				
Larry Bette...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Jerry Mark...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Donald Welli...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Bruce Breitling	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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James Housley	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been fishing the Columbia river since I was 5 yrs old. I am 73 now, and this was the worst year I				
Joe Terleski	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Keep gillnets off the columbia river. They kill way too many non target fish. I strongly oppose				
Mike Larion	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Terry Wilson	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, As a life long (68 year old) Oregonian, who has been fishing in Oregon since I was 5 years old, I				

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Robert Ecke...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please do not abandon Columbia river reforms.I will chose to not buy a license next year;if you do... I				
HOWARD B...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Galand Haas	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Sandra Joos	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Timothy Sch...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please don't abandon our legacy, heritage and NW culture! More than ever we need to keep moving				
Paul Zlotek	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Doug Avolio	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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steve steven...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Dave Myers	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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james elliott	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am so disenchanted with the ODFW possible stepping backwards with regards, to our precious and				
Randy Hacks...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Due to the kill nets my home river is done for have anything return it is the south Santiam rive been				
Chris Alsman	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We have paid to eliminate nets and we keep getting screwed! I strongly oppose proposals to				
John Zimme...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Victor Perry	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Allen Stutheit	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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George DesB...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Edmund Kee...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, It is incomprehensible to me that ODFW or WDFW would even consider opening any commercial				
Earl Harper	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Tom Gerold	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Just don't understand why we are supposed to be a democratic government yet a small minority has				
David Daschel	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I am absolutely astonished that ODFW commissioners would even consider putting non selective gill				
Arne Hamel	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				

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Les Fahey	Please Ban G...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I retired from public accounting 20 years ago and have observed a steady decline in the Columbia				
Dennis Arce	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Brett Gesh	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Chris Burgi	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Gary Wood	NO Columbia...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please use your knowledge and sense to keep proposed gillnets out of the mainstem Columbia. This is				
Mark Fineran	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Debra Rehn	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Jeff Raines	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Richard Darst	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, It is hard to believe that we are revisiting this issue in light of the very poor fish returns of the last				
Thomas Nored	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
John Harkins	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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George Koki...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Stop the gillnetting all I saw this year while boating on the river was dead floating fish from gillnetters.				
Darrell Kron	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Brandon Rat...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Last year 37 wild fish made it back to my river. Let's not let that number fall to zero. I strongly oppose				
Randy Laws	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Richard Aub...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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Linh Tran	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I take my 7 year old son and his cousins fishing quite a bit. With the lack of fish, it's making it more				
CHARLES P...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Our runs continue to decline even though we put more fish from hatcheries in every year. Gillnets				
Steven Buelna	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, We're suppose to be an environmental state but yet we're allowing Gillnets on the Columbia River.				
Randy Klettke	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I find it shocking that you would even consider such actions! Why do I continue to support this system				
Greg Holen	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Douglas Rich...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Tyson Reed	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Jim Crisp	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Dennis Buch...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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John Dunn	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Conservation of our natural resources produces sustained trills!!!Rolling back Columbia River Reforms				
Isaac Yanez	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Troy Kalhar	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, What was the point of all of us sport fishers to pay for an endorsement that is not doing what it was				
David Catto	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been buying angling licenses in this state for over 50 years. If this proceeds that will stop. My				
David vaupel...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Stan McClain	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, At 67 years old, I am a lifelong fisherman who wants nothing more than to pass along this wonderful				
Donald Wilh...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Please listen to the sportsmen who pay for the licenses that pay your wages. Help protect our				
daniel vanek	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Shane Milburn	Columbia Riv...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I urge you to reject any further efforts to abandon the Columbia River reforms and hold the agencies				
Tim Roelandt	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Phillip Roberts	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been an Oregonian for my whole life and do not approve of the way that this problem has been				
Harold John...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Mr. & Mrs. ...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Justin Denfeld	Gillnetting in...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Maybe once upon a time, when the technology used to net fish was that of a man with a canoe and a				
Mike Samples	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Why do you as a body (ODFW) continually work against the sport fishing industry in favor of the				
Robert Huber	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I've fished the Columbia for 35 years. I've personally witnessed gillnet boats in action. There have been				
Randy Bonds	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have seen similar restrictions work while living in Alaska. Commercial fisheries have benefited those				































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Tim McCoy	Keep and Im...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, You continue to break the agreement made with the public. Implement the agreement or refund my				
Brian Mills	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Putting gill nets back into the main stem Columbia, will be a disastrous decision for the future of such				
natasha myers	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Clifford Collins	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have lived and fished in this state some 60 years. I was so hopeful for all of the Columbia river when				
Robert Wim...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, As a lifetime resident of Oregon and having bought a hunting and fishing license every year since I				
Mike Rice	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I have been a life long resident in Oregon. I have been a ocean fisheries guide and helped to				
Tzvetan Hri...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return				
Laura King	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Philip Drake	Columbia Riv...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
Dear ODFW Commissioners, Abandonment of the Columbia River Fishery Reforms is a major step backward to preserve our salmon				
Herman Win...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	21 KB	
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William Steen	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
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Michael McG...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Jack Percy	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	22 KB	
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Ric Salata	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
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Leo Wilhelm	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
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Richard Ken...	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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Jerry Vaughn	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	18 KB	
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Chad Troutman	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
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John Hall	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	19 KB	
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James Kennedy	Don't Aband...	Fri 10/18/201...	20 KB	
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	 Kari Walling...	Columbia Riv...	Wed 10/16/20...	256 KB		
	Dear Oregon and Washington Commissioners, Please see the attached letter from CCA Oregon and CCA Washington concerning					
	 Richard Pres...	Confronting I...	Tue 10/15/20...	23 KB		
	First of all, let me thank you for easy access via email. Washington's "Contact Us" does not give any email address for opinions, etc.					

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Michole Jensen Columbia Riv... Wed 10/2/201... 31 KB

Can somebody on the commission or at ODFW explain why the Columbia was closed to recreation salmon fishing and open to

From: [Alan Cochran](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 12:10:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

It simply amazes me that we spend billions of dollars trying to protect and improve the Columbia Basin's dwindling runs of Salmon and Steelhead and at the same time we still allow these same fish we are trying to protect to be harvested by archaic indiscriminate means to bolster the mini economy of a few commercial fishermen. The wild salmon and steelhead belong to all citizens of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, not just a few who don't want to change their harvest methods. It is time for our legislatures to develop a backbone and stand up for the fish of the Columbia Basin and tell the gill netters NO and support the agreements reached by the tri-States and tribes to move to off channel harvest with newer technology for commercial harvest.

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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I urge you to reject any further efforts to abandon the Columbia River reforms and hold the agencies accountable for their implementation.

Sincerely,

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From: [Albert Larrea](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 12:30:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Our steelhead and salmon runs,
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Our steelhead and salmon runs are right on the edge please give them every chance to rebound!!

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Sincerely,

Albert Larrea
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From: [Andreas Grob](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 25, 2019 10:00:08 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please do not do this and move away from this. We will oppose any of these movements and fight for what we think is right for the river, fellow sportswoman and man and not to forget the FISH and creatures itself. Have you seen the creatures caught and injured with this kind of netting and can you imagine how it is to slowly suffocate???

Think about the consequences when implementing adjustments

Andreas

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Sincerely,

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From: [Betty Armstrong](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 2:40:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

In 2012 , measure 81 was abandoned because sports fisherman and conservationists were promised by the Oregon State governor that a bi-state fishery reform would be more effective way to stop non-selective gillnetting on the main stem Columbia and phase out gillnetting over a 4 year period by the end of 2016 , which now has extended 3 more years of gillnetting ,, because the new governor appointed an active gillnetter and gillnet lobbyist to the Oregon State fish commission , which she promised that she would take him off the commission if he tried to dismantle the bi-state reforms . She relived Buckmaster of his position on the commission but not until he lobbied for proposals to abandon the bi-state reforms . It is your duty to do what is best for the majority of our Oregon State residents and our State economy and uphold the reforms voted on by our Legislators . If you are not sure what is best for Oregon's economy , please start by contacting my district Senator , Laurie Monnes Anderson and Senator Girod . Thank you for your time and I hope there is still time remaining before our salmon runs go extinct .

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I urge you to reject any further efforts to abandon the Columbia River reforms and hold the agencies accountable for their implementation.

Sincerely,

Betty Armstrong
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From: [Bill Monroe Jr. Jr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: PLEASE DO NOT abandon the Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to the Mainstem Columbia River
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 8:10:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Hello- my name is Bill Monroe Jr. I'm writing to please ask NOT to increase or even to return to put more gillnetting back on the mainstem Columbia River.

Without question- I definitely oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

Instead of falling back on indiscriminate, industrial commercial gillnetting or its strong presence of influence on our region, we must fully transition to fisheries capable of selective harvest - recreational and commercial - to harvest more hatchery and healthy wild stocks of salmon within the limited number of endangered salmon and steelhead that may be impacted in state fisheries. Our goal should be to get more wild salmon back to the spawning grounds, not merely the bare minimum while making a significant increase in hatchery production as well. This is how we as humans are going to continue to make this region of the world thrive and be so unique.

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I urge you to listen to the majority of the people in Oregon and strongly reject any further efforts to abandon the Columbia River reforms and hold the agencies accountable for their implementation. This is so very important. NO more non-treaty gillnetting in the mainstem of the mighty Columbia River.

Thank you for your time and careful reading of the message.

Bill Monroe Jr
502-702-4028

Sincerely,

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From: [Blake Belveal](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Thursday, October 24, 2019 8:50:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I've fished for salmon and steelhead in Oregon 40+ years, and have witnessed first hand the steady decline of our fisheries. The amount of money that I alone have injected into Oregon's economy through license fees, tackle, fuel, motels, is a substantial number.

Our primary goal should be recovery, otherwise none of us will be fishing, commercially or sport.

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Brad Parr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 6:00:21 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please stop funding the ODFW on the backs of the Sportsmen while allowing NETS to indiscriminately destroy native fish runs.

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Sincerely,

Brad Parr
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From: [Brian Christensen](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 11:00:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Can the states just do what they said they would instead of constantly lying to the public.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Brian Mills](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:50:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Putting gill nets back into the main stem Columbia, will be a disastrous decision for the future of such a great river. I don't want to wait till the fish are gone before this gill net battle ends.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Brooks EILERTSON](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 11:00:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please do not go back to the archaic, indiscriminate methods of harvest. Keep the Columbia River reforms whole.

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From: [Bruce McGavin](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms & Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 8:30:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I was in a hogline near Kalama when a gillnet boat motored right through all the hoglines at speed.

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From: [Bruce Williams](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 7:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I write to you as an avid Oregon fisherman and retired biologist.

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From: [Bryan Buckalew](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 5:10:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am a sport fisherman who has invested a significant amount of money into this activity and I find it offensive that the State would even consider the use of "killnets". Going forward, I'm passing the word to as many voters as I can to make this a consideration during election time. Guaranteed this item will sway my vote.

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From: [Bryan Mulligan](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 7:30:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We did away with market hunting of our elk, deer, waterfowl, etc. Over a century ago. Why are we unable to do the same for our aquatic species?

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From: [Cary Rhode](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Protect Our Natural Resources
Date: Friday, October 25, 2019 11:00:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

To save some money, the damage done is often irreversible. Please don't make the same mistake here.

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From: [Chad Price](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The recommendations by the joint state work group, which is stacked with commercial fishing advocates, goes against the intent of the Columbia River Reforms.

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From: [Chad Troutman](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:20:07 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I was hoping our new commissioners would be smarter than the last ones, why would you want to put gill nets back in our river to kill our endangered salmon and steelhead, there is no selective harvest with gill nets they kill every fish that goes in it please use your brains and ban gill nets for good on the Columbia River.

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From: [CHARLES PARKER](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:12:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Our runs continue to decline even though we put more fish from hatcheries in every year. Gillnets catch more fish in a day than we sportsmen catch all season. The reforms are needed to give us more fish.

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From: [Chellie Smietana](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 7:30:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Non selective gill netting for salmon on the Columbia river is not sustainable!

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From: [Clifford Collins](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:50:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have lived and fished in this state some 60 years. I was so hopeful for all of the Columbia river when these reforms were placed in effect. Do not abandon these reforms

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From: [Cory Sceva](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:30:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Allowing nets back on the main body of the Columbia not only affects the Columbia River fishery but it would also negatively affect the tributary fisheries which includes my home river which has already taken hits the last few years due to the bad ocean conditions and the Alaskan net fishery. **SAVE OUR SPORT FISHING**

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From: [Craig Malinoff, A](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 8:50:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The reality here, is the O.D.F.W and State of Oregon, is (Guilty), of Domestic Terrorism !! After, We The People, voted against everything your doing. The people involved, in these matters, will be punished as such. When you take from, all the people, to benefit the few. Hopefully, some people will catch on, and take matters into their own hands. And your own genetic lines will disappear, just like our fish populations !!

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From: [Dale Carper](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 9:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am one of thousands in Oregon who contributes large amounts of my hard earned pay check to the local fishing industry every year! I am a "Sport Fisherman"! Why do we need "Gillnets"? A simple question! The truth is we don't! Not for restaurants, grocery stores, or any other large retailers needs! "Fair Chase" in every aspect of fish and game gathering and should be the norm!

It is not fair chase to destroy a fishery for the benefit of just a few! The Columbia River is not private. It is in the "Public Domain" and should remain this way!

Let the "Gillnetters" use long line legal commercial fishing tactics. Their harvest will still be large but won't indiscriminately kill other species. Mass hunting and fishing has a very bloody and horrific history in the United States! We have many extinct species because of these practices.

Let's not continue to brush up next to this terrible history in our state!

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From: [Dale Hewitt](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Thursday, October 24, 2019 12:20:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Highway robbery! That is how I see it. Wa/OR fish and game gladly accepted my money for Columbia River Enhancement to put commercial nets into estuaries and out of the Columbia main stem. Every year we have been PAYING a fee for this to happen. Now WA/ORDFW want to keep the money and resume past practices. Shame on you. Thou Shalt Not Steal. If this is for real I will no longer buy a recreational fishing license.

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Dale Lyster](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 10:00:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The Columbia River Endorsement for sport-fishing must not be wasted.
Too much money has been stolen from sport fishing enthusiasts and Fishing Guides for a reversal of promises.

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From: [Dale Welford](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 11:00:18 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Do your job, let the sportfishing community have some fish. Get rid of the gillnets and crank up the hatcheries.

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To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 12:20:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been fishing in Oregon for about 65 years, I have fished less this year because of low fish counts and season closings than I ever remember.

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From: [Dan Holmes](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You have no right to destroy our fish runs with your poor decisions which historically have destroyed Salmon fisheries in our state and through out our world. How can you even consider any kind of nets to kill our fish and leave nothing for our children and our future!

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From: [Daniel Erceg](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 6:20:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

It is our duty to encourage and enforce responsible fishing processes that will ensure survival of salmon/steelhead/sturgeon on the Columbia, Willamette and their tributaries for future generations. Why on earth would anyone entertain the idea of reverting to past commercial fishing practices that do not support these ideals? What possible benefit could there be to the future of the Columbia/Willamette Fisheries by abandoning the bi-state Columbia River fisheries reforms? Isn't it the job of the ODFW & WDFW to "manage" these fisheries, to secure their future? We need some accountability!

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From: [Daniel Quanbeck](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:10:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am a long time (since 1970) Salem, Oregon resident. I have been an active outdoorsman ever since establishing my residence here. I believe in stewardship of our land and resources. I believe we all, as individual and groups, need to be good stewards of our lands and resources. Recently, I think there has been a movement by some to turn away from that stewardship of our resources.

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From: [Daniel RAMMING](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 25, 2019 10:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Salmon and steelhead returns to the Columbia River are at an all time low. Reversing Columbia River Reforms will further gut a sustainable commercial, Indian and sports fishery. Reconsider a balanced and even approach for all that partake in the Columbia Fishery and it's tributes.

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From: [Dave Coleman](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 27, 2019 7:40:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

If protecting our native salmon and steelhead species is our goal, allowing gillnets in the lower Columbia simply makes no sense. Non-selective harvest methods will not have a positive effect on reaching this goal.

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From: [Dave Hendrie](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 6:10:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am strongly recommending not going forward with the initiative to bring back year round gillnetting. Several years ago, we supported the move away from gillnetting by paying for the Columbia River Endorsement. Now, politics and self interest appear to be in play and you are considering reversing the course. Non-selective gillnetting is bad for our salmon and steelhead, both of which are rapidly declining in numbers. The state of our salmon/steelhead are in jeopardy and we need to protect this resource from those who profit from it. Please consider not rolling back the clock, but moving forward to protect our resources and fisheries.

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From: [David Catto](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:10:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been buying angling licenses in this state for over 50 years. If this proceeds that will stop. My extended family are all fisherman, they too are at the end of it with these types of decisions.

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From: [David Daschel](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:32:01 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am absolutely astonished that ODFW commissioners would even consider putting non selective gill nets in the Columbia river.

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From: [David McNeill](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 2:10:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have fished in Oregon lakes, rivers and bays for over 23 years and have enjoyed the many benefits of well managed fisheries. I strongly urge not allowing non-selective gill nets to operate in the Columbia River.

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From: [Dean Sigler](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 5:10:04 PM

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From: [Dennis Buchanan, K](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 7:20:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnetters do not belong in any Oregon rivers period. The gillnetters and Sea Lions can do there business in the Pacific Ocean, and the sea lions can get there meals in the Pacific Ocean also. Someone needs to protect are fishing.

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From: [DENNIS MCINTOSH](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:30:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

when fishing is down in numbers its hard enough to catch a salmon to eat without the nets cleaning the fish out of the rivers, I have gone fishing day after gill nets where in and found nothing to catch.

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From: [Don Erickson, Jr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please take my opinion and request to heart. Gill nets have done enough damage to our Columbia River fish stocks. Gill nets have taken the big fish from our stock and left little ones that get through the nets to breed only smaller fish. Stop gill netting in the main stream of the Columbia River!

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From: [don olson](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:50:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

we continue to support our fisheries and the communities we visit. yet you hold gill netters desires above the recreational fisherman. tired of seeing dead fish float by caused by the netters. its about time you make them the support system you desire because you are killing the industry and the towns we visit

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From: [Donald Claeys](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 7:30:08 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The fishery is already poor, please don't abandon what we have and make it worse. I didn't catch one keeper this year.

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To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:20:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We had you on our side a few years ago now you switched again. Won't you ever learn? Maybe we'll take it too the voters and this time we won't settle.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Donald Wilhelm, Sr.](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:02:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please listen to the sportsmen who pay for the licenses that pay your wages. Help protect our endangered fish. The gillnetters are here for today and to hell with tomorrow!

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From: [Douglas Cushman](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 7:30:03 AM

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I do consider this one of my primary issues when voting. The economic benefits of sport fishing far outweigh the meager economic return on the gill net fishery. The economic benefits of sport fishing are spread out over a large group of guides, sporting goods retailers and manufactures and far exceed the meager returns of gill netters. Just check the tax returns.

Sincerely,

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From: [Douglas DuPriest](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 11:20:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnets capture native salmon, not just hatchery raised salmon. Increasing commercial use of gillnets on the Columbia runs counter to the important (and federally mandated) goal of increasing the populations of endangered salmon and coho populations. conservation and restoration to return them to sustainable levels. I strongly urge you to reject any proposed that would cause additional takings of endangered salmon. Thank you, in advance, for your consideration of these comments.

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From: [Douglas Massingill](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:00:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

For states that pride themselves on wildlife conservation, I am astounded that Oregon and Washington are considering gillnets at all. Please, take some bold steps and stand strong against this type of fishing that kills all species indiscriminately.

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From: [Dylan Gollehon](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 7:20:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Commercial Gill netting in the main stream of the Columbia reform needs to stand firm. With decreasing fish runs, there is no reason that anything but decreased Gill netting should be the only change that should be made. Gill netting is a out dated industry, from a time when fish runs were more abundant. The only change that needs to be made, is to shut it down completely..

Please take into consideration the impact that abandoning the current reforms will impact fish runs.

Thank you

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From: [Edmund Keene, Sr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:32:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

It is incomprehensible to me that ODFW or WDFW would even consider opening any commercial salmon fishing on the Columbia river. All sport fishing has been cancelled for salmon. What in God's name are you thinking? There was a deal made several years ago - STICK TO THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL.

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From: [Edward Edgerton](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 5:30:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Maybe the Oregon Sportsman should boycott fishing & hunting for a year and see how the State funds the ODFW

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From: [Edward Rabinowe](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 7:00:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You can't really be considering non-selective fishing our dwindling salmon stocks. No one could be that foolish!

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From: [Elmer Green](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 10:50:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

How many times must we sport fishermen attempt to block you folks from giving a few hundred Gill netters what tens of thousands of sports fishermen have paid for? Talk about rape, and we don't even get a kiss. I'm 82 years old and have fished the Columbia since my teens and the seasons and catch allowance you folks allow the sports fishermen is beyond appalling.

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From: [Eric Anderson](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 7:30:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnets are size specific and have been removing larger fish since the 1800's. True recovery cannot start until they are gone.

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From: [Eric Neal](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 10:30:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You are cutting salmon fishing seasons and limits due to lack of fish returning. This only makes the matter worse !

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From: [Fred Ciccotelli](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

So many of us work so hard and are so passionate about fishing catching so fewer and fewer fish and less opportunity to get out on the water is disheartening. Please stop the wholesale pillaging of our precious resource. Thanks.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Gary Holbrook](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: STOP NON SELECTIVE GILLNETS IN THE COLUMBIA RIVER
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 7:30:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As a sports angler I have the ability to retain or release any fish I catch. Gillnets or KILLNETS as I call them do not have this capability. We need to "LIMIT YOUR KILL NOT KILL YOUR LIMIT" PLEASE abide

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From: [Gary Wood](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: NO Columbia River Gillnets
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:22:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please use your knowledge and sense to keep proposed gillnets out of the mainstem Columbia. This is dangerous to fish, dishonest to the original bi-state agreement and opposes policy already enacted by the legislature. Why on earth does this keep coming up? Do you want to be in the spot light when someone finally says "follow the money"?

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From: [George DesBrisay](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:32:08 PM

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I'm personally disappointed in these agencies are even considering the change. The PNW steelhead and salmon have enough challenges in regard to making it back to their home rivers. Also, make the tribes use better means of fishing that are selective to protect steelhead and other fish species. they need to limit their catch dramatically during these times.

Sincerely,

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From: [George Kokinidis](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:22:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Stop the gillnetting all I saw this year while boating on the river was dead floating fish from gillnetters.

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From: [George Krumm](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Keep Your Promises--Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 28, 2019 10:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I, like many others, have been paying for the Columbia River Basin Endorsement for several years. I'm still being required to purchase this endorsement. As part of the deal, promises were made to eliminate mainstem Columbia River gillnetting. I expect those promises to be kept. Show some integrity. Keep your word. Indiscriminate gillnetting over mixed stocks, some endangered, is not only irresponsible. It is unsustainable and stupid.

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From: [Graeson Brown](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been fishing the Columbia for years and put countless dollars into programs to help improve salmon runs. I believe gillnetting is hurting the already suffering runs and so not after with these proposed changes.

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From: [Grant James](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 11:20:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Dear ODFW. Please consider the where the majority of the funding for ODFW comes from and make the right decisions to support recreational fisheries in the state of Oregon and work strongly with our friends to the North to insure they do the same. Supporting the non selective gillnetters, most of whom have second jobs, is ridiculous in these times of Dams, Sea Lions, etc.

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From: [Greg Fair](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 6:20:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You have taken \$10 a year from my to fish in any tributary of the Columbia river for these reforms. Please do not back pedal and also give me an account of where the money from this endorsement was spent.

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From: [Greg McMillan](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 7:00:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The voters were scammed. We should have never compromised on this and voted these damn nets out of all rivers for ever!!!!

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From: [Greg Ostrom](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 1:10:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am a life long Oregonian. The idea of allowing Gillnetters back on the main stem Columbia is not using available science. Steelhead, Chinook and Coho have been under tremendous pressure through environmental issues and over fishing. Gillnets are killing endangered Steelhead, Chinook, Coho and not to mention Sturgeon in the mighty Columbia.

Please put and end to this unwanted, unnecessary fishing menace. Save our fisheries on the Columbia River before it is to late. **END NOW, GILLNETS ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER.**

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From: [Greg Peldyak](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:10:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Instead of non selectively harvest, let the commercials' use hook and line. Lets make smart decisions on saving select runs of fish. A wild Columbia fish goes back. An endangered B run Clearwater 20lb steelhead is released. Lets work on ideas that help. An idea by the Indians just came out. Taking out the three lower Columbia river dams sounds great but won't happen until we transition to renewable energy. Hook and line fishing is effect enough to have commercials making their money. The sport fleet is the future and the best source of money for ODFW.

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From: [Greg Spanos](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I've retired to OR for its' iconic fishery. And ready to move to New Zealand (with my money), for their great King Salmon runs. They LAUGH at Oregon!!! Who gave them the smolts & technology to introduce them to a new part of the world. And we can't keep the world's largest Salmon fishery safe from extinction! Personal agendas (SUSPECTED not PROVEN negative epigenetic effects of hatchery fish & Gill nets) have driven these populations to near extinction.

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From: [Hans Blom](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:50:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

ODFW Commisioners

I am now almost 80 years old and have seen the steady decline of the salmon and Steelhead runs, It is so incomprehensible to me that the ODFW, having become a mindless extension of Governor Kate Brown's disastrous anti environmental policies, as they implement the total return of her non selective gillnetting at a time that our salmon stocks are nose diving. Anybody can see that in the not too distant future there will be no more salmon.

Why are you promoting these disastrous policies given that the gillnet industry brings almost no tax revenue in the state coffers, it is non-selective gillnets kill! While sport fishing and the associated industries, like: boat manufacturing, engine sales, lure and fishing equipment manufacturers, Hotels, restaurants, airlines, fishing guides, all of these benefit the state. If the ODFW would promote sport fishing and support the construction of hatcheries, stream enhancement to promote spawning, A world class fishery on the Columbia and its tributaries is possible. Would you please reverse course and so instead of favoring and supporting a dead industry like gill netting that damages all salmon and Steelhead runs, and instead promote sound management of our salmon and steelhead runs. Please, please before it is too late!

Sincerely

Hans Blom

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From: [Jack Gaston](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:42:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am so disenchanted with the ODFW possible stepping backwards with regards, to our precious and valuable fisheries resources of the Columbia River. i.e. the reinstating of non-selective gillnets in the main body of the Columbia River. Jesus, look at the history of our dwindeling, once magnificent fisheries resource of our beloved river. Please don't sell out our resources, for the few moneyed interests, acting against families of sportsmen and the true lovers of the Great Columbia.

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From: [James Harvey](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 12:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The sportsmen have been drastically restricted in our quest for salmon and steelhead due to low runs this year, and yet you are considering letting gillnets return to the Columbia River. This is both ridiculous and outrageous!!! This will only benefit the gillnetters and greatly put in peril the future runs of salmon and steelhead in the Columbia river!

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From: [James Housley](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:02:02 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been fishing the Columbia river since I was 5 yrs old. I am 73 now, and this was the worst year I have ever seen for fishing for salmon in the river. All because of the gillnetts and their non selective fishing methods. Please keep the nets out of the river.

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From: [James Kehoe](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Gillnet Fishing Will Destroy Fish Restoration Efforts and Investment
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 2:30:18 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Dear ODFW Commissioners:

I am the former Environmental Manager for the Bonneville Power Administration. For decades we worked diligently with ODFW, WDFW, CRITFC, and other stakeholders throughout the region and provided hundreds of millions of dollars in funding to improve habitat throughout the Columbia system and to help restore the ever dwindling salmon and steelhead runs. We are now starting to see improved results from the efforts of hundreds of people and thousands of hours of work to this end. It is unconscionable that the Oregon and Washington Fish and Wildlife Commissions even consider, let alone approve, restoring commercial gillnet fishing on the Columbia system. This indiscriminate method of harvesting fish does great harm to untargeted species and wild fish as well. If we are to improve our fisheries so that generations to come will be able to enjoy the expenditures of dollars and effort spent to restore our salmon and steelhead runs you must not approve gillnet fishing on the Columbia at this time. It will take years before the fish runs are strong enough to withstand such an onslaught. You do not want to be responsible for undoing all the work and investment that has gone into the attempt to restore strong fish returns. I realize that the gillnet industry lobbies hard to get the Commissions to allow them to gillnet in the Columbia, but the Commission has a greater obligation to the people of the region to push back and support fish restoration instead. Please ensure that your legacy is one that had led to the improvement of fish in the Pacific Northwest rather than one that leads to diminishing runs to the point of cessation of fishing altogether. By voting against gillnet fishing at this time you are ensuring them of the possibility of that method of fishing being considered whenever runs are strong enough to withstand the impacts it brings.

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To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:20:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. James Myers](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 8:20:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Commissioners of the ODFW,

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From: [James Russell](#)
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Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 10:30:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Your proposed action to abandon these previous reforms is just plain wrong, and I think you know it. There are thousands of Oregon and Washington citizens that know it as well and we are going to fight to stop you. Luckily we now have the CCA to speak for us and I for one intend to increase my financial support to help them.

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From: [Jason Renoud](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 5:10:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am stunned when ODFW makes decisions that further decreases recreational fisheries. Most of the people I know spend hundreds of dollars for every salmon they catch that is important to the Oregon economy and to funding of ODFW through license fees. Commercial fishing does not have as big of an economic impact and is not as selective in protecting native fisheries

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From: [Jeff Freund](#)
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Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 8:20:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Prioritizing commercial non-selective gillnet fishing is bad policy and bad science. It endangers many species which have been sustained and even restored with sport fishing dollars. Not to mention money's poured into local economy's from sport fishing.

From a sport fisherman's perspective, I'm also tired of paying licenses and tag fees which are earmarked for enhancing habitat, restoration and management only to have seasons and waters closed virtually eliminating angling opportunity. What exactly is the Columbia River Endorsement for? This is simply bad policy backed by special interest and set by weak agencies ignoring science and common sense.

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From: [JEFFREY HULL](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 10:50:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Commercial salmon fishing began depleting Columbia River salmon numbers with the advent of canning in the 1860s. By the 1890s, many salmon stocks were disappearing due to over harvest. the building of dams compounded the problem. Despite the listing of certain salmon stocks as endangered or threatened, the gill net industry seeks to compound the problem. The time for commercial salmon fishing on the Columbia River is over - it will end now with the banning of gill nets or end with salmon extinction. It is time to end gill netting now.

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From: [Jeffrey Monaco](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Gillnets Are Stupid - Please Read
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 12:50:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We all know that gillnets kill indiscriminately, so why is this continuing to be brought forth for reconsideration? Let them go the way of the dinosaurs already. No one wants to put people out of work, but gillnets are only going to continue adding nails to this industries coffin. These fish populations are continuing to plummet, and to think that business as usual is to the commercial guys benefit is just plain, shortsighted stupidity.

With the money wasted on both sides of this argument, every commercial boat on the Columbia could have been re-equipped with modern, selective alternatives by now. Help these guys transition towards a sustainable future, or help retrain them to do something else. Either they cannot afford the upgrade and are stuck between a rock and a hard place, trying to provide for a living, or they don't care about their impact. Either way they must know in their hearts that gillnet practices are wrong, both logically and morally.

Salmonids cannot speak for themselves, so it is up to us to stand up for their survival in the face of the monumental disadvantages they face. Climate change, deforestation which leads to the loss of breeding habitat, deteriorating ocean conditions, the assault on hatchery production, over-fishing and indiscriminate netting practices (etc., etc.) combine to form a pretty bleak future for them to ever make the comeback we have hoped for.

As the stewards for our fish, it is up to you to help them any way you can. Please stand up for the reforms that have been made in a loud, solid voice that will get the point across once and for all that gillnets are through here forever.

Remember that the vast, vast majority of us are rooting for our fish.

So.....

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From: [Jerry Nemer, A](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

This is the second year in a row that ODFW has thrown me off the river before the good Chinook fishing even began. I caught ZERO Chinook salmon in the Columbia this year and only one Coho. Why? Because the salmon runs are so poor that sport fishing had to be cancelled. Add to this the terrible Spring Chinook runs in the Willamette River the last three years and I ask you why I even to bother buying my salmon and steelhead tag anymore. Now I hear that you plan on restoring year-round commercial gillnetting to the Columbia. The members of the Commission are hopelessly corrupt and compromised. You don't care about the resource and you don't care about the sport fishermen who pay the lion's share of the fees to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. You need to start figuring out who is buttering your bread and quit catering the freeloading commercial gillnetters who are being given a public resource for profit and who are doing great harm to the fish runs in the Columbia. You take our money and spit in our face. The Columbia River Endorsement which sport fishermen paid for years was outright robbery. We should all be reimbursed for the money you stole from us. You took the money from us under false pretense and gave it to our mortal enemy. As far as I am concerned you are a bunch of criminals. I don't even pretend to be politically correct and diplomatic any more. Corrupt members of the Commission and of ODFW need to be removed once and for all. This has gone on long enough. My money, my voice and my vote counts. Commercial gillnetting in the mainstem Columbia must end now. It is time to stand up for the resource and what is right.

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From: [Jerry Vaughn](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:20:08 AM

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Years of Columbia river endorsement fees? and now this? if the Gillnetters and Oregon and Washington want gillnets returned then they have to rear more fish in our fish hatcheries, being selective of only hatchery fish

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Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:50:04 PM

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From: [Joe Terleski](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:02:02 PM

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Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:10:07 PM

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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:20:07 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We have been paying extra to get the nets out. If they are allowed back in it may be time to do a class action lawsuit either continue with original plan or pay back all monies to sport fishermen and women whom have paid into the agreement!

I understand you have to try and please both sides but an agreement is just that and if you can not stay with it then your work is worthless!

John Hall long time fisherman and volunteer.

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From: [John Hall](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 3:30:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We have been paying for the reform and if the nets get back in for Spring fishery. Why have we been paying and how about paying back our money!

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Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:01:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As I, along with most of the angling public feel the state has betrayed us on this issue. If a reason for their actions were to be given, it may be more expectable to us. Letting the tribes control things may very well be the best solution.

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Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 7:50:03 AM

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We have all pushed to remove Gill nets including me. The reason for that is so Me and my family have a chance at these fish, And a chance for them to spawn.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Justin Denfeld](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Gillnetting in Rivers is Archaic
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Maybe once upon a time, when the technology used to net fish was that of a man with a canoe and a throw-net, was it alright to net for fish in a river. Now, with the abilities of modern technology, gillnetters have the capacity to completely rake clean the rivers of everything with scales. It's a practice that will completely decimate the fish populations and extinct the many species that once prospered in the Columbia River. There's a reason why the whole country has outlawed this practice. I thought we were supposed to be progressive in protecting our natural wonders. The thought of allowing gillnetters to destroy the Columbia River makes me nauseous, because it's not a matter of "if", it's a matter of "when" the populations will be extinct. We are already to a depressing, painstakingly low level of fish returns. We can't withstand this pattern of digression going forward. Adding gillnetters back in the river will bring salmon and steelhead runs to a complete halt immediately. Once that happens, there will be nothing we can do to bring them back. Please don't let this happen.

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From: [kelly goss](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Thursday, October 24, 2019 11:10:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

What is so hard to get that our salmon runs are depleting because of Sea lions, Gill Netters and the indians Taking the sport fishing and leaving those that rake the river on is ridiculous and make no sense.

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From: [Kent Hall](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 3:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Several years ago, I traveled over 300 miles to fish in the Willamette river for springers and in 3 days 3 of us caught 5! I would not have gone if I knew that gillnetting by commercial fishermen would be allowed!

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From: [Kim Hasselbalch](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 8:40:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please take action to discontinue all GILLNETTING in the Columbia to save our Fishery for the Future Generations..

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From: [Kris Lumsden](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: The sport fishing industry in Oregon will be destroyed!
Date: Friday, October 25, 2019 7:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

If you continue to charge the sportfishermen for licenses and take their catch away, you will be sorry. This situation is not only bad for the fishing public, but horrible for the resource you are charged with managing!

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From: [Larry Sene](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You all have the undisputed information of what the fishery of the Columbia River is going thru. Allowing the resolution of the bi-state reforms can only be the most ignorant move of any proposal I have ever heard! Do not change the existing reforms that have been achieved in any way. Actually Gillnets should not now or never in the future be allowed in this river at all!!!

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From: [Les Fahey](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Please Ban Gill nets on the main stem of the Columbia
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:22:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I retired from public accounting 20 years ago and have observed a steady decline in the Columbia River fishery. I support efforts to reverse this trend and believe a non select fishery has no business being allowed on the Columbia River main stem.

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From: [Leo Wilhelm](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:30:07 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As a business owner in the fishing industry the impact to thousands of business's across Oregon and Washington would be devastating. This includes boat, manufacturers, sporting goods stores, tackle manufacture's, motels, restaurants across the entire state. Myself because the impact was a 25% loss from the year before and I am sure that is across the board from all other business's effected. The gill nets have NO business in the entire main stem of the Columbia river, EVER.

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From: [Levi Morris](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: say goodbye to odfw income from sport fishing for gillnets are returned full time
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:30:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

All sport fishermen who actually support odfw through licenses and purchasing all things tied to sport fishing. If this full time gillnetting passes there will be HUGE decreases in sport Fisherman!!!

If odfw was wondering the fishing throughout Oregon is mediocre at best and compared to 15 years ago it is very poor, so non selective gillnets year round will only make fishing and fishing communities worse and future fishing will cease to exist

Please think your decisions through and realize all the consequences

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From: [Linh Tran](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:12:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I take my 7 year old son and his cousins fishing quite a bit. With the lack of fish, it's making it more difficult to catch fish so they can remain enthusiastic about fishing in the future. Kids are the future of the fishing industry and without their interest in fishing, the fish and wildlife departments are losing a major source of their funding!

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From: [Lloyd Loncosky](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 3:30:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Our salmon and steelhead runs are decimated and numbers continue to plummet with the result being fewer fish allocated to sportsmen. I have purchased a fishing license and punchcard every year since 1971 but cannot in good conscience continue to do so if the kill nets are allowed to remain in the Columbia River. Many of my friends have quit fishing over the last few years and I will be forced to join them if the commercial insanity continues. Please don't force me to stop fishing!

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From: [Makai Brusa, R.](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:20:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We are the Pacific Northwest! The jewel of the nation for our beautiful land and our amazing natural resources. Why do we continue to drag nets thru our precious Columbia River. We are hypocrites if we allow this. We are better than this and have better means to fish. Nets kill. Plain and simple. I have fished it since my grandpa first took me. We can not restore salmon while dragging nets down the river killing everything it tangles. I've seen 100 dead salmon or Steelhead floating down river. Not cool! Do the right thing.

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From: [Margaret Lochridge](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 4:00:10 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We, the people you represent, have been paying extra money for fishing licenses for 6 years to fund the removal of commercial gillnetters from the mainstem of the Columbia River. We did not have a choice, and believed it when we were told what purpose our money was to be used to do.

All of us feel lied to. Betrayed. How dare you refuse to listen to the science being presented. There is a lot of anger out here, and each time you choose to side with the commercial gillnetting industry, you create more anger and feelings of betrayal.

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From: [Mark Abolofia](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: NO GILLNETS! DO NOT ROLLBACK REFORMS!
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 10:00:18 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Reintroducing gillnets will destroy our fisheries that we all have worked so hard to maintain!

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From: [mark Boardman, C.F.](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Looking out for Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 1:30:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please allow for multiple use of the steahead and salmon fisheries. Gil netting doesn't. Remember the sport fisherman! We bring lots of money to the communities and pay towards habitat improvements.

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From: [MARK Carter](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 10:00:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

While gill nets have been banned in most countries we continue to allow them in the Columbia river. These gill nets kill everything they catch. This needs to stop.

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From: [Mark Clark](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:22:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please do not ruin sport fisheries on the lower Columbia and renege on the previously agreed Columbia river reforms to curtail non-select gill netting!

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Mark Tompkins](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:20:18 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I fish out of Chinook Landing for springers. I guess I should say I use to. I seems that every year when the fish are due to show up you people close the river. Don't you realize the seasons are shifting due to climate change?

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From: mark.volland
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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we are losing a natural resource.

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From: [Marv Abe](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 5:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please defend the sportsmens' desire to continue fishing the Columbia River. It seems that the fish counts are declining as are the successful outcomes of our fishing outings. Thanks in advance for listening to sportsmens' concerns.

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From: [Matt Hastings](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:40:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Dear Commissioners,

While the following is a form letter, my personal appeal to you is not. I consider the issue of gill nets still being allowed on ANY fishable waters to be critical to the future of all fishing. I am against their use as they are non selective in use and will further endanger our already dangerously low salmon, steelhead and sturgeon resources. If you fish and want your children and grandchildren and their offspring to enjoy what we have then you must stop the use of gill nets and force the commercial industry to stop playing games and get on board with methods that are sustainable.

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From: [Matthew Danz](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:30:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am a fishing tackle store owner and avid salmon and steelhead fisherman. I have spent many years assisting the various fishing groups oppose Columbia River gill netting. I am not against commercial fishing, I am against non-select gill nets and their "by-catch" that takes more fish from our already sensitive runs of steelhead and salmon. Oregon had already voted and passed previous legislation when Kitzhaber deviated the plan saying he would have to veto it. Please support keeping gill nets OFF the Columbia River!!!

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From: [Michael Churchill](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 9:40:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I've been sport fishing nearly my entire life, I'm 71 years old, this IS the stupidest proposal I have ever heard!

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From: [Michael Hearing](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 10:00:08 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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From: [michael long](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:30:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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From: [Michael McGuire](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:32:02 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Don't move backwards in efforts to restore healthy fisheries. Support the original reforms and not the continued needless indiscriminate killing of wild fish.

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From: [Michael Sprague](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Keep the gillnets OUT of the Columbia!
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 7:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Why would you even think this is a good idea? I live in Idaho and our steelhead season is closed. Our salmon run was low.

The fish need a clear path to the spawning grounds for the runs to survive.

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From: [Mike Carlson](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 10:10:09 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You made a deal, you made a promise! Sportsmen upheld our end of the deal. Don't let a few 'millionaire fish processors' dictate our Columbia fish management policies!!! Please!

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From: [Mike Lane](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 9:00:08 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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From: [Mike Rice](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:42:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been a life long resident in Oregon. I have been a ocean fisheries guide and helped to successfully introduce the current upland bird stamp to the Oregon legislature. There is absolutely no reason to allow gill netting in the Columbia. This year upriver sport fishermen had reduced bag limits and greatly reduced fishing days while gill betters were given more and more days to fish. This very unfair to sportsmen and guides and hurts our economy. Please do not abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and eliminate gill netting in the Columbia.

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From: [Mike Samples](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Why do you as a body (ODFW) continually work against the sport fishing industry in favor of the commercial entities. I am losing all respect for your work and any efforts to help save endangered anadromous fish runs.

I have been a ODFW volunteer for over twenty years helping to restore, maintain, and grow anadromous fish stocks throughout the central coast of Oregon and the Willamette Valley. How dare you intentionally work to destroy our remaining stocks in favor of commercial entities.

I will never volunteer for your organization in the future, never continue as an educator, mentor or be involved with any program sponsored by ODFW. You have lost an advocate and added someone who will work against you for the foreseeable future.

Thank you for nothing.

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From: [Mike Sones](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 6:50:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I cannot believe anyone would think gillnets are an option anywhere anytime.

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From: [Ron Dilbeck](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 10:10:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I was born in The Dalles in 1953 while the dam was being built. My father would crawl down a ladder from the railroad bridge and fish at Celilo Falls. Back then the runs were strong and the river and fish could survive the gill netting. Not anymore!

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From: [neil riewer](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:30:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The sport fisherman have been paying to subsidize the gillnetters for almost 10 years now. This was promised to end gill net fishing on the Columbia, but now we see that promise on the verge of being broken and all "OUR" monies going for nothing. Do not go down the same road as Washington did and vote against the will of the voters!

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From: [Nolan Matsumoto](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 9:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Dear Commissioners, This is the second year in a row that the salmon/steelhead seasons have closed early. They closed before the fish even got up to where I normally fish the Columbia. They closed because of the low numbers of returning fish and now you are wanting to open it up for gillnetting? How does one even make any sense of a thought like that? Seriously! HOW?

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Milton Hunt](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Tuesday, November 5, 2019 5:40:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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From: [Paul JABS](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:50:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Why am I paying \$10 Columbia River endorsement? I thought it was to get the gill nets of the main river. Was I wrong about this? not paying for it next year.

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From: [Paul Mikesh](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 25, 2019 7:30:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please give the fish a break and stop this indiscriminant destruction of this precious resource for the benefit of a few. More of these gillnet caught fish are taken out of the nets by sealions than ever reach the deck of their boats. Where is the "selectivenrss" in the practice.? It's high time you recognize that recreational fishing gives back more to our communities than commercial fishing ever did.

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From: [Paul Reeder](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:40:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnetting is so nonselective we can't afford such an antiquated method of harvest. If there's enough fish to afford commercial fishing than it should be done by the most selective methods.

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From: [Phil Bernhard](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 12:50:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please allow the rivers to be filled with fish, to be caught individually instead of mass harvesting. Leave that to the ocean fisheries.

The ones coming back to spawn and the ones going out to sea deserve a chance.

Please make the rivers a "free zone" from gill nets.

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From: [Phil Lyman](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:30:07 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I can't believe we are still dealing with gill nets. They need to be removed from our rivers for good.

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From: [Philip Drake](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Columbia River Fishery Reforms Good-Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:40:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Abandonment of the Columbia River Fishery Reforms is a major step backward to preserve our salmon and provide for increased recreational Salmon and Steelhead fishing. Gill nets do not belong on the river and commercial fishing in the river does not belong to support providing fish to restaurants. Commercial fishing should be done in the ocean under strict controls. The River is for recreational and tribal fishing. Do not let yourselves be persuaded by fishing interests that are so narrow that only less than 100 people are affected.

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From: [Philip Longway](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:10:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Hey people please wake up! This is the 21st century! There is no reason except for greed to allow gill nets in the main stem Columbia River. This is just wrong and shame on you for even considering this proposal

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From: [Phillip Roberts](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:02:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been an Oregonian for my whole life and do not approve of the way that this problem has been handled. The people voted to remove the gill nets off of the river and move to a harvest method that would be more selective and still give the commercial fisherman a way to make a living. The sport fisherman have been paying extra to make this happen and now again this is being abandoned again. It needs to be implemented as was voted for by the people.

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From: [Ralph Veldink](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 12:30:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We are now 2 years beyond the agreement that was reached to remove gill nets from the Columbia River. I think that the sportsmen of this state have been duped. I believe that our Columbia River Endorsement dollars have been squandered. I think that the sportsman of this state should have sued for removal of the gill nets and not joined the Kitshaber agreement. The ODFW has done many things to loose the respect of the sportsmen of this state. I cannot believe that when the Columbia River had the most restrictive sport seasons ever that gill netting was still allowed. Right now I can only fish for a hatchery coho. Chinook season and Steelhead seasons are closed Hatchery coho seem to be in short supply with many unmarked fish returning. Yet the Department has allowed a Commercial Chinook season in zones 5 and 6 and a Commercial Coho season in the lower river. If this department wants my respect it must change. Stop being an Agency that is only there to divide up the last salmon. Stop being an Agency that spends all of it's dollars counting fish. Stop being an Agency that uses gill nets to test for fish. Stop being an Agency that does everything by emergency regulation. When you became unable to print salmon regulations a year that is when Commercial Fishing should have stopped. Please do not abandon the agreement we made. Time is up. Get the gill nets off of the Columbia.

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From: [Randy Bailey](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:00:22 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I've fished the Clearwater and Snake all my life. I've been looking forward to taking my grandchildren. This year the Clearwater has been shut down. The following will kill recreational fishing. Don't abandon the reforms.

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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have seen similar restrictions work while living in Alaska. Commercial fisheries have benefited those restrictions. Non-selective gillnetters do not belong in the Columbia river main stream at this time. Do not abandon the bi-state reforms the reforms.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Randy Hackstedt](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:42:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Due to the kill nets my home river is done for have anything return it is the south Santiam rive been fishing it for 40 years and now it's not worth the time. Thanks for putting the screws to me and all the other fishermen and women.

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From: [Randy Klettke](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:12:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I find it shocking that you would even consider such actions! Why do I continue to support this system with my tax \$, license fees, support to local economies, etc. when the agencies that are supposed to be helping with fish recovery keep making stupid decisions that benefit only a handful of people who have abused the resource for years!

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From: [Randy Klobas](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 6:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The gill net fishery kills way to much bycatch to be an invironmentaly acceptable harvest system. Seine nets are more better. The rules and regulations that recreational fishermen have to abide by

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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From: [Randy McAdams](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:12:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been an Oregonian my whole life (58 years) and only recently the last (20) an avid fisherman. I have seen the sport fishing opportunities dwindle year after year and gill netting makes absolutely no sense to me.

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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From: [Ric Salata](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:30:07 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We made an agreement with Kitzhopper in writing that there would be no Gill-nets on the main stream Columbia River and I think it is your responsibility to honor the agreement.

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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From: [Richard Bomhoff, Sr.](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 12:00:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

If you go in this direction you will wipe out all the fish which results in no fishing. So if there is no fishing we won't need to buy any license. So if you have no revenue what are you going to do?

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From: [Richard Darst](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:22:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

It is hard to believe that we are revisiting this issue in light of the very poor fish returns of the last many years. It is critical to keep the nets off the river!!!!

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From: [Rick Klettke](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 10:40:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You destroyed Columbia River salmon with the political agenda to build dams then tried to cover up the gross oversites and environmental tragedy. Exacerbated the situation with the politics of sea lions becoming out of control. Don't continue to rape the Columbia River fishery with gill nets.

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From: [Rob Benton](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 5:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnetting is a non selective method of harvesting fish. The mortality rate for non targeted species is very high. As a conservationist, this method has no place in a climate that has seen and is currently experiencing the extinction of several fish species.

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From: [Rob Gibbs](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 5:10:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I fish the Columbia and have watched the numbers of fish drop over the years and now more gill nets during the whole year? All gill netters have strong regular jobs so they don't need the extra \$ to make a living. Keep the reform's intact!

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Sincerely,

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From: [Robb Sipler](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Now is not the time to Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The time for a non selective Gill net fishery on the Columbia is over, especially with historically low adult returns.

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Sincerely,

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From: [Robert Askey](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:12:19 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

A lot of misleading information on harvest of fish in SAFE areas. The plan to take gillnets off the main river and into SAFE areas made a lot of sense. Gillnets are not selective. Whatever gets in them dies or is released to swim off and die. High mortality rate. Commercial fishing in main river was to come up with a better selective way. Gillnetters I believe had no intentions of finding a selective way to harvest and release ESA listed salmon and Steelhead. Which would better regulate what commercial fisherman can keep and release unharmed. Makes no sense to spend millions of dollars to get wild runs going and habitat improvements where possible and then have the fish end up dead in gillnets used in the main Columbia River.

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From: [Robert Claeys](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 9:30:31 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Gillnetting is insane with salmon runs diminishing.

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From: [Robert Eckert, Sr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:52:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please do not abandon Columbia river reforms. I will chose to not buy a license next year, if you do....

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Sincerely,

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From: [Robert Huber](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:00:07 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I've fished the Columbia for 35 years. I've personally witnessed gillnet boats in action. There have been MANY times when I've seen them ripping steelhead out of their net and throwing them as far as they can away from their nets. Gillnets are an archaic way of harvesting fish and the fishery managers should reconsider this method. The once great runs of salmon and steelhead have diminished and this is part of the problem.

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From: [Robert Morton](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 9:00:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

There is no reason to allow non-selective gillnets on the main stem of the Columbia River when there are Endangered species of salmon and steelhead that rely on this river system to return to their spawning grounds. States are suppose to be doing all in their power to help these fish species to recover to naturally sustainable levels.

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From: [Robert Wimberly](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:42:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As a lifetime resident of Oregon and having bought a hunting and fishing license every year since I was 14 (less one year I was at training for the ORNG) I have seen it all. From liberal fish limits to limited catch and release to rolling up river closures for Salmon and Steelhead. I see a developing change in the allowable fishing dates combined with added expense for tags and endorsement tags. Many of my fishing friends will not be buying fishing licenses next year to these expenses and limited fishing opportunities for those of us that live east of The Dalles. We seem to get skipped in the re-opening of seasons for both Salmon and Steelhead while below The Dalles and above the confluence of the Snake get short closures and liberal limits. We fail to see the benefit of our closures. Until the Commission attacks the real problems of nets and sea lions we don't see an improvement in our plight. Lack of continued financial support of the ODFW are becoming much easier subscribe to.

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From: [Rod Evers](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 11:50:18 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Why do you keep on trying to get gillnets back in the Columbia River? Enough people have express their opposition on this issue. You have the Columbia closed half the time because of the lack salmon runs and yet you want to let them net...does not make sense. Sports fishermen pay a fee to fish and represent about what, 70-80% of your budget? Come on people...thinks about it from the prospective of future generations. I want my grandson to be able to catch a salmon in the future but the way it is going he may not be able to.

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From: [Roger Gertenrich](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:50:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I have been an Oregon fisherman for over 50 years. I might not get a 2020 license ..no fun fishing when there are so few fish tcaught /release

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From: [Roger Wicklund](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:22:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I am ashamed of the ODFW, the Oregon legislature, and our Governor for allowing the gillnets to remain. They are all obviously influenced more by money in their own coffers than the welfare of the environment and the desires of our state's residents. Oregon used to be recognized as an environmentally conscientious state. It is now apparent to all that we will abandon all logical environmental principles for the financial profit of our leadership.

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From: [Ron Ritenour](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 9:10:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We the sportsmen in Oregon should have never trusted our government to shut down the gill nets on the Columbia River. We should bring this issue to a vote of the people to make gill netting illegal and forever shut it down. Do your job and stop the gill netting as promised.

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From: [Ronald Taylor](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 10:10:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

At a point in time when I as a sports fisherman have experienced limited fishing opportunities, low quotas and restrictions that are unprecedented you are considering putting nets back in the river. I can not support an action that will further reduce fishing opportunities and will support a ballot measure that would ban all and any commercial netting in the main stream Columbia.

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From: [Russ Elliott](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 3:10:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please don't let the know nothing greedy gill netters back in the Columbia River with their kill everything gill nets. Do the responsible thing and keep them out!

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From: [Russ Thackery](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, November 4, 2019 3:50:00 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Do not allow gillnets in the lower Columbia River. We need to protect and enhance our wild salmon runs.

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Scott Tews](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:30:02 AM

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From: [Shane Milburn](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return of Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:02:03 PM

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From: [Stan McClain](#)
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Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:02:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

At 67 years old, I am a lifelong fisherman who wants nothing more than to pass along this wonderful sport to my grandchildren. It seems that those charged with protecting and enhancing our salmon and steelhead runs are constantly bowing to the demands of the commercial fisheries at the expense of these precious fish. WHY!!!???

Please intervene and help us to do everything possible to restore salmon and steelhead for future generations to enjoy.

We're counting on you!!!

Stan McClain
Salem, Ore

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From: [Steven Buelna](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:12:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

We're suppose to be an environmental state but yet we're allowing Gillnets on the Columbia River. The main reason we've lost so many species of salmon and steelhead on this river and the systems that feed into it is because of the Gillnets. We use to have some of the largest species of salmon in the world right here in Oregon and Washington but they have been wiped out buy Gillnets and Dams. Let's make it right for pass bad deeds and rebuild out fish stock back to what they once were.

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From: [Steven Hougak](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 8:20:18 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

To the people on the Oregon fish commission, Who do you think pays your bills every year? It's the people that buy fishing and hunting licences! without us you would not have a job .Why don't you listen to us? Most of us think you are doing us wrong, with pour policies. for instance closing down fish hatcheries, that could eventually lead to more fish for everyone, you produce more fish,you feed everyone, even the Orca's! The gillnets are in the river because you allow them to be there, but you don't think that we know whats going on , when you shut the rivers down to us and let them in to supposedly let them in for what you call map up !!! that is such BS .We are watching you , please make some better choices !!

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From: [steven_winn](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:30:04 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

If the resources of our sport fishery are not managed for all, it looks like the commission against sport angling is a play and pay political scheme, that ends up harming all involved and concerned with managing the resource, and a pocket filling lottery for politicians, we must vote out the non willing to listen!!!!!!

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Sincerely,

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From: [TERRY WALKER](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 11:50:06 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Its time to get the killnets off of the columbia for good. ODFW seems to disregard the voices of the people that actually fund them. In doing so you are continuing to alienate the people that actually care about the fisheries and wildlife in this state. Please hear our voices and stop the madness! I promise you this, "I WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT YOUR AGENCY " if you continue to support the raping of our fisheries by an outdated non-selective method of harvest!

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From: [Terry Wilson](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:52:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As a life long (68 year old) Oregonian, who has been fishing in Oregon since I was 5 years old, I strongly urge ODFW Commissioners not to allow Gill Netters to the Columbia River Mainstream.

I strongly oppose proposals to abandon the bi-state Columbia River fishery reforms and return non-selective gillnets to the mainstem Columbia River. Non-selective gillnets do not belong in mixed-stock lower Columbia River fisheries where endangered salmon and steelhead are present. Gillnets are incapable of selectively harvesting hatchery fish, which is key to recovering wild salmon populations and meeting federal hatchery reform requirements to maintaining hatchery production.

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Carlier](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 4:20:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

As a refresher, Here are the 5 economic benefits of the sport fishing industry...

- 1) The tackle industry: manufacture, distribution, marketing, and retail sales of fishing rods, reels, and tackle, etc.
- 2) The marine industry: boat, motor, and electronics ... manufacture, distribution, retail, etc.
- 3) The tourism industry: transportation, resorts, motels, restaurants, etc.
- 4) The media industry: tv, radio, and internet 'how to' education
- 5) The government: licenses, tags, special fees, etc.

Number 5 is where your salary comes from....

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From: [Tim McCoy](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Keep and Implement Fully Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:52:05 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

You continue to break the agreement made with the public. Implement the agreement or refund my money. Am about 3 heart beats from starting a class action lawsuit for my \$ and/or ballot initiative to ban the nets.

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From: [Tim Wolford](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 9:30:03 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

I sick of paying a tax for years now that was supposed to be for these reforms. About to give it all up, Fishing and Hunting!!!

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From: [Timothy Schroeder](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:52:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Please don't abandon our legacy, heritage and NW culture! More than ever we need to keep moving forward on our reforms. Please do not let us slide back down this treacherous and slippery slope. Stand with the people of our great state.

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From: [Tom Gerold](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:32:02 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Just don't understand why we are supposed to be a democratic government yet a small minority has such a influence. There are so many more sport fishermen & women that interject so much more money into the economy as compared to the gill netters.

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From: [Tracy Meskel](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 2:30:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The Columbia River is no place for commercial nets, that indiscriminately kill! Why are we still having this fight? These fish are dying on OUR WATCH! And all they want to do is rape the river. Look at the Steelhead runs, look at the fall salmon run. The fall run is our LAST true wild fish!! Please keep the nets out of the main stem of the Columbia!

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From: [Troy Cummins](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Monday, October 21, 2019 10:20:04 AM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

The Commissions continued consideration of returning gillnets to the mainstream Columbia River is alarming. These actions, in direct opposition to the Columbia Compact, would be in direct opposition to the best interests of both the fish and the residents of Oregon that owns this valuable public resource., amounting to nothing short of mismanagement.

I urge the Commission to rethink these critical decisions and recognize that without support from sportsman's dollars you will have no future budget from which to manage these endangered fish populations back to health.

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To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 12:10:06 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

What was the point of all of us sport fishers to pay for an endorsement that is not doing what it was supposed to? This is very frustrating that we are all paying for nothing.

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From: [Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Beck, Jr](#)
To: [ODFW Commissioners](#)
Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Sunday, October 20, 2019 12:20:03 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

To our respected ODFW Commissioners.

For the first time in 37 years, I did not purchase an annual fishing license. In April of this year I sold my fishing boat, the boat of my dreams. I can't remember when I ever missed the Columbia River Salmon fishery in August, but I didn't go this year. If I have to stop fishing to feel like I've done my part in conserving our resources then that's what I'm going to do. These gill nets have no place in our fisheries. In an instant gill nets can rewind the clock on all of our hard work and conservation efforts and send a fish run into extinction.

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From: [William Barnum](#)
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Subject: Don't Abandon Columbia River Fishery Reforms and Return Gillnets to Mainstem
Date: Friday, October 18, 2019 1:22:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

Commission members should be held accountable for these poorly thought out decisions. Are my grandkids going to be able to in the future, catch a salmon on the Columbia River? Don't destroy this resource in order to keep the archaic and non-discriminating system on the river.

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Date: Saturday, October 19, 2019 2:30:05 PM

Dear ODFW Commissioners,

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