

Columbia River Policy Review

Possible Policy Changes for 2020 and Beyond: Range of Alternatives (per Policy Issue or Option) for Analysis

10/22/2019

Policy Issue (or Option)	Alternatives						Status
	PRC Feb 26, 2019 Recommendation	Current Status Quo ¹	Alternative 1	Alternative 2	Alternative 3	Alternative 4	
Spring Chinook							
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation	70%/30%	80%/20% (OR); 70%/30% (WA)	60%/40%	Abundance based matrix	65%/35%	Active
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Tangle nets and alternative gear (any period), gill nets (post update)					Active
3	Allocation of Upriver spring Chinook within recreational fisheries (Bonneville to OR-WA state line/ Snake River)	75%/25% (10%/15%)	75%/25% (10%/15%) (OR; WA)			Alt 4a. 70%/12.5%/17.5% Alt 4b. 70%/10%/20%	Active
5	Allocation of unused commercial impacts	Not addressed	To escapement (OR); No restrictions (WA)	To escapement	No restrictions		Active
6	Allocation of unused recreational impacts	Not addressed	To commercial fishery (OR); Not addressed (WA)				Active
Summer Chinook							
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation downstream of Priest Rapids Dam	70%/30%	80%/20% (OR); 70%/30% (WA)	50%/50%	Abundance based matrix		Active
2	Allocation of unused commercial impacts	Not addressed			Unused impacts allocated to upriver recreational fisheries or spawning escapement		Active
3	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Gill net and alternative gear					Active
Fall Chinook							
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation of most constraining fall Chinook impacts	≤70%/≥30%	≤70%/≥30% (OR; WA)		≤65%/≥35%		Active
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Gill net (any Zone) and alternative gear	Gill net (Zone 4/5) and alternative gear (OR); Gill net (any Zone) and alternative gear (WA)				Active
Coho							
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Gill net, tangle net and alternative gear					Active
Other Measures							
1	Limitation on recreational fishing guide/charter licenses	Not addressed	No limitations (OR); No guides below Longview Bridge (WA)	Pursue guiding limitations			Active
2	Commercial license buyback program	Not addressed	Not addressed (OR); Pursued (WA)	Pursue gill net license buyback program			Active
3	Hatchery production goals	Not addressed	Not addressed				Active
4	Increase alternative gear development/implementation	Not addressed	Pound net testing and rule making to legalize pound net and seines (WA)				Active

¹ Current Status Quo reflects each state's corresponding policy/rules as of August 1, 2019.

Note: Alternative gear is defined as: Including but not limited to: purse seine, beach seine, tangle net, pound net, or other gears as authorized by the Commissions.