

2012 Summary of Willapa Bay Summer and Fall Commercial Gillnet Fisheries

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The following are in effect for ALL commercial openers in Willapa Bay:

- **RELEASE WILD (UNMARKED) CHINOOK AND CHUM FROM AUGUST 12 – OCTOBER 31!**
- **Live boxes REQUIRED. Soak times are limited to 45 minutes** (from gear entering water until fully removed).
- **Retention of Green Sturgeon Prohibited.** ALL encounters must be reported to Wholesale Buyer or Quick Reporting
- **QUICK REPORTING** (by 10am the day following landing), **NOTICE OF INTENT**, and for reporting **GREEN STURGEON ENCOUNTERS:** Fax 360-249-1229; telephone 1-866-791-1280; email harborfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
- All participants **MUST** have attended a "Fish Friendly" best fishing practices workshop and have in their immediate possession a department-issued certification card.

ALL commercial openers for August 12th through September 14th:

- **Notice of Intent is REQUIRED** to participate in any of the days in this fishery below by August 8, 2012.
- **9-inch maximum mesh**

Date and Time	Area
6:00 PM, Aug. 12 through 6:00 AM Aug. 16, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T, and 2U
6:00 PM, Aug. 21 through 6:00 AM, Aug. 22, 2012	Areas 2U
6:00 PM, Aug. 26 through 6:00 AM, Aug. 27, 2012 AND 6:00 PM, Aug. 28 through 6:00 AM, Aug. 29, 2012	Areas 2N, 2R, and 2U
6:00 PM, Aug. 30 through 6:00 AM, Aug. 31, 2012	Areas 2N and 2U
6:00 PM, Sept. 4 through 6:00 AM, Sept. 5, 2012 AND 6:00 PM, Sept. 6 through 6:00 AM, Sept. 7, 2012	Areas 2N, 2R, and 2U
6:00 PM, Sept. 9 through 6:00 AM, Sept. 10, 2012 AND 6:00 PM, Sept. 12 through 6:00 AM, Sept. 13, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T (east of a line projected from the eastern most upland at Toke Pt. (approx. 46°42'26"N; 123°57'58"W) to Goose Pt. (approx. 46°38'12"N; 123°57'31"W) then to eastern boundary at Range Marker "B" and Area 2U

ALL commercial openers from September 15th through October 31:

- **6 ½ -inch maximum mesh**

Date and Time	Area
6:00 PM, Sept. 15 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 13, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T, and 2U
6:00 PM, Sept 19 through 6:00 PM Sept. 20, 2012	Area 2K
6:00 PM, Sept. 26 through 6:00 PM, Sept. 27, 2011	Area 2K

ALL commercial openers during November:

Date and Time	Area	Miscellaneous requirements and gear restrictions:
12:00 PM, Noon, Nov. 6 through 12:00 PM, Noon, Nov. 30, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T, and 2U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-inch minimum mesh • RELEASE CHUM ONLY
6:00 PM, Nov. 11 through 6:00 PM, , Nov. 19, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T, and 2U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May use either 9-inch minimum OR 6 ½ -inch maximum mesh. Only ONE net either 6 ½ -inch or 9-inch configuration may be used when in the act of fishing. • RELEASE CHUM ONLY

Updated 2012 Summary of Willapa Bay Fall Commercial Gillnet Fisheries

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The following are in effect for November's commercial openers in Willapa Bay:

- **Retention of Green Sturgeon Prohibited.** ALL encounters must be reported to Wholesale Buyer or Quick Reporting
- **QUICK REPORTING** (by 10am the day following landing), **NOTICE OF INTENT**, and for reporting **GREEN STURGEON ENCOUNTERS: Fax 360-249-1229; telephone 1-866-791-1280; email harborfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov**
- All participants **MUST** have attended a "Fish Friendly" best fishing practices workshop and have in their immediate possession a department-issued certification card.
- Drift gillnet gear only. It is unlawful to use set net gear.
- Recovery boxes are not required and soak time is not limited

ALL commercial openers during November:

Date and Time	Area	Miscellaneous requirements and gear restrictions:
12:00 PM, Noon, Nov. 6 through 12:00 PM, Noon, Nov. 19, 2012	Areas 2M, 2N, 2R, 2T, and 2U	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 ½ -inch maximum mesh• RELEASE WILD (UNMARKED) CHINOOK

2012 Summary of Grays Harbor Fall Commercial Gillnet Fisheries

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For a complete set of regulations for commercial gillnet fisheries in Grays Harbor during 2012, please refer to WAC 220.36 and other provisions in within WAC 220 governing commercial fisheries. For additional information or questions, contact Barbara McClellan at #360-249-1213 or Mike Scharpf at #360-249-1205.

For QUICK REPORTING, NOTICE OF INTENT, and for reporting GREEN STURGEON ENCOUNTERS:

Fax 360-249-1229; telephone 1-866-791-1280; email harborfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov

- All non-legal white sturgeon and ALL steelhead must be handled with care to minimize injury and released immediately to the river/bay.
- **Retention of Green Sturgeon Prohibited.** Please report ALL encounters to Wholesale Dealer or through the Quick Reporting phone, fax, or email.
- **Quick Reporting REQUIRED**, by 10 am the day following landing
- All participants **MUST** have attended a "Fish Friendly" best fishing practices workshop and have in their immediate possession a department-issued certification card.

Area 2C:

Date and Time	Area	Miscellaneous requirements and gear restrictions:
6:00 PM, Aug. 19 through 6:00 PM Aug. 20, 2012 6:00 PM, Aug. 23 through 6:00 PM Aug. 24, 2012 6:00 PM, Aug. 27 through 6:00 PM Aug. 28, 2012 6:00 PM, Aug. 29 through 6:00 PM Aug. 30, 2012 6:00 PM, Sept. 5 through 6:00 PM Sept. 6, 2012 6:00 PM, Sept. 28 through 6:00 PM Sept. 29, 2012	Area 2C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 ½ -inch maximum mesh

Area 2A and 2D:

- **Live boxes REQUIRED. Soak times are limited to 45 minutes** (timed from when net enters the water until complete net removal from water).
- **Notice of Intent REQUIRED** to participate in any of the days in this fishery below by 12 pm, Noon, September 26, 2012

Date and Time	Area	Miscellaneous requirements and gear restrictions:
6:00 AM, Oct. 1 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 1, 2012 6:00 AM, Oct. 2 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 2, 2012 6:00 AM, Oct. 12 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 12, 2012 6:00 AM, Oct. 14 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 14, 2012	Areas 2A AND that portion of Area 2D lying easterly of a north-south line from the confluence of the Hoquiam and Chehalis rivers to Renney Island then easterly to "Range Marker G" located on the south shore of Grays Harbor. Then to the eastern boundary of Area 2D at the Highway 101 Bridge.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 ½ -inch maximum mesh, no more than 55 meshes deep. • RELEASE WILD (UNMARKED) CHINOOK AND CHUM
6:00 AM, Oct. 19 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 19, 2012 6:00 AM, Oct. 20 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 20, 2012	Areas 2A and Area 2D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 ½ -inch maximum mesh, no more than 55 meshes deep. • RELEASE WILD (UNMARKED) CHINOOK AND CHUM
6:00 PM, Oct. 21 through 6:00 PM, Oct. 22, 2012	Areas 2A and Area 2D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 ½ -inch maximum mesh, no more than 55 meshes deep. • RELEASE WILD (UNMARKED) CHINOOK