



Columbia River Salmon Fishery Policy Workgroup (CRW)

Public Comments received between December 5, 2019 through March 9, 2020

This is a compilation of comments received at through our online public comment portal after the Joint-State PRC was put on hold.

From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Committee
Date: Friday, January 31, 2020 8:29:49 PM

Name	Donald Bykonen
Email	Toutleman@yahoo.com
Address	Sumner Wa.
Comments	Please get the Gill Nets out of the Columbia River. You're not going to save our fish by increasing these fisheries with nets. Don Bykonen
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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Committee
Date: Friday, January 31, 2020 2:54:11 PM

Name	Michael Carter
Email	taditionalhunt@comcast.net
Address	16547 Lemolo Shore Dr NE Poulsbo Washington
Comments	<p>I applaud Oregons wildlife commissioners for standing up for what's right and the best environmental decision to curtail non selective commercial gillnet fisheries in the lower Columbia River. I would also urge Washington commissioners to follow suit and quit ignoring the recreational advantages and the will of the people.</p> <p>Than you Michael Carter</p>
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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Committee
Date: Monday, February 3, 2020 6:25:52 AM

Name	James Phillips
Email	james_phillips50@aol.com
Address	Ravensdale wa WA
Comments	<p>WDFW</p> <p>History shows that hatcheries are a good thing and critical for ensuring abundant and healthy fisheries. I'd like to make you aware of a recently launched effort to provide new information regarding the importance of hatcheries and contradicting long held beliefs that hatchery fish have led to the decline of wild fish.</p> <p>Hatchery and Wild is a campaign to highlight the importance of fish hatcheries. The facts show it is past time to support and invest in our hatcheries. They need to be updated and practices improved. Working together we can make that happen.</p> <p>Well intentioned advocates insist hatcheries are bad for wild fish and need to go away. [I used to think the same, but] Recent science shows that hatchery fish do not have an adverse impact on wild fish abundance, and in fact, may be beneficial to their survival. [My opinion has changed, and now I realize that] Hatcheries are more important than ever.</p> <p>We are all concerned about our environment and want to do everything reasonably possible to help protect our valuable natural resources. I'm asking for your help to ensure Oregonians enjoy abundant and healthy fisheries. Please support our hatcheries by helping provide adequate funding and ensuring responsible agencies do their job.</p> <p>[I'd be happy to help find answers to any questions you may have.] The facts and more information are available at: www.hatchery-wild-coexist.com</p> <p>Thank you for your support!</p> <p>Sincerely, james phillips 32324se307st ravensdale washington 98951 Cowlitz-River-Salmon-and-Steelhead-Releases-and-Returns_trends_WADSWORTH_2019_FINAL Wadsworth, Thomas F (DFW)</p>

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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Committee
Date: Tuesday, February 4, 2020 5:05:28 PM

Name	Geore Bateman
Email	georgebateman519@comcast.net
Address	519 w 24th Ave. Spokane Wa.
Comments	<p>With Respect, I'd like to ask you support the removal of Gil Nets out of the Columbia, they have the ocean to harvest. We need to make extra effort to enhance our resource of our Columbia River. We Sportsman recommend a stay to the Commissioners in the Columbia to assist restoration in view of another frightening lowrun. The Commissioners nitonly were more concerned with their watches, apparent, full blown path, towards Gil net return. We Sportsman have been paying for the endorsement for years to assist netting in safe zones. There was no effort on their part. If you only use revenue to justify, To assistthe sportsman that provide 10/1 in revenue ,thousands of anglers versus 125 commercials. Makes no valued sense . Not to mention the indiscriminate harvest of Steelhead that are on life support</p>
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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Committee
Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020 9:53:18 AM

Name	Robert Millhollen
Email	bmillhollen06@comcast.net
Address	Vancouver Washington
Comments	Mr.or whatever you are McIsaac ,I would like to know how much your getting paid from the "Killnetters" ! For you to say that " once a fish goes over the bar nothing that fish does will affect orcas" ! Have you ever heard of SPAWNING? CREATING BABY FISH TO GO THROUGH THEIR CYCLE AND PUT MORE FISH IN THE OCEAN !! You need to be removed from the commission. ASAP Would like to meet you sometime and give you a piece of my mind ! You are Bad ,bad,bad for our fishery program !
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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Workgroup
Date: Saturday, February 22, 2020 4:48:40 PM

Name	Gordon and Heather Sparks
Email	hamacg@charter.net
Address	Yakima WA
Comments	With low salmon/steelhead counts predicted again, gill and tangle nets should not be allowed on Columbia River because all species of fish are killed using this method. Sports fisherman have paid tons of dollars thru licensing/endorsement fees to assist in fish enhancement but there have been no new hatcheries or improvements to existing tribal hatcheries. In fact, we have not seen any improvements to Columbia River fisheries. If you take fish out, we must put fish back and hatcheries are the most obvious way to do this.
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From: [123ContactForm](#)
To: [Dobler, Myrtice C \(DFW\)](#)
Subject: Contact the Policy Review Workgroup
Date: Monday, March 9, 2020 12:54:04 PM

Name	Jeff Hernandez
Email	jeff.hernandezpdx@gmail.com
Address	3600 SW Dosch Rd, Portland OR
Comments	<p>I have recently heard that the ODFW and WDFW will be allowing gillnets in the lower columbia river. I heard that an agreement was made and part of the resolution was for anglers to pay a columbia river endorsement fee to help offset the costs to gillnetters. It saddens me to hear that we are regressing. That the agreements that were made and promised are not being upheld.</p> <p>Gillnets should be a thing of the past. They are harmful to all fish species and you cant control which fish are caught and killed. Especially in the river systems.</p> <p>Please keep these out in the ocean at the very least.</p> <p>I want to know how our endorsement money has been used.</p> <p>Please respond or send a refund.</p> <p>Thanks</p>
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