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# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

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## THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

<b>2011 Winter Commercial White Sturgeon Fishery</b>		
<b>Season</b>	6 PM Tuesday January 18 – 6 PM Wednesday January 19, 2011	(24 hours)
	6 PM Tuesday January 25 – 6 PM Wednesday January 26, 2011	(24 hours)
	6 PM Tuesday February 1 – 6 PM Wednesday February 2, 2011	(24 hours)
	6 PM Tuesday February 8 – 6 PM Wednesday February 9, 2011	(24 hours)
<b>Area:</b>	Mainstem Columbia River, Zones 1-5 (SMCRA 1A,1B,1C,1D and 1E).	
<b>Gear:</b>	Drift gillnet. 9" minimum mesh size restrictions. Nets fished any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have lighted buoys on both ends of the net. If the net is attached to the boat, then one lighted buoy on the end of the net opposite the boat is required.	
<b>Allowable Sales:</b>	White sturgeon (43-54 inch fork length) and adipose fin-clipped salmon. A maximum of <b>10</b> white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that the fishery is open.	
<b>Sanctuaries:</b>	Sandy River sanctuary.	
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington wholesale dealers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. When quick reporting is required, Columbia River reports must be submitted within 24 hours of the closure of each fishing period.	

- Under permanent regulations, a treaty Indian commercial setline season occurs annually from noon January 1 to noon January 31 and a treaty Indian commercial gillnet season occurs annually from noon February 1 through 6:00 p.m. March 21.

## ADDITIONAL ACTION TAKEN:

<b>2011 Recreational Sturgeon (Above Wauna Powerlines)_minor area closure</b>
Effective <u>January 1 through April 30 2011</u> , angling for all species is PROHIBITED from a line between the upstream end of Sand Island and a marker on the Oregon shoreline, downstream to a line between the lower end of Sand Island and a marker on the Oregon shoreline.

The State of Oregon announced that the **Willamette River recreational sturgeon fishery** scheduled to open for retention on January 1, 2011 will be **delayed** until the Oregon commission has an opportunity to review the Columbia River white sturgeon population status. The Oregon commission is scheduled to meet in January.

- A Compact/Joint State Hearing is scheduled for February 8, 2011. Time and place to be determined