
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

October 6, 2011

2011 Treaty Indian Fall Season - Mainstem Platform and Hook and Line Fishery

Effective 6:00 p.m. Saturday October 8:

Sales of fish caught from the platform and hook and line fishery in Zone 6 (SMCRA 1E,1F, 1G) and in the area immediately downstream of Bonneville Dam (as described in each Tribes MOU/MOA) are **prohibited**.

Both areas remain open for subsistence purposes only.

- Sales of legal - size sturgeon will be allowed when landed using traditional Platform and Hook and line gear in the mainstem Zone 6 area, concurrent with open sturgeon set-line fisheries in the same area.

2011 Treaty Indian Fall Season – Yakama Nation Tributary Fishery

Effective 6:00 p.m. Saturday October 8:

Sales of steelhead caught in Yakama Nation tributary fisheries are **prohibited**.

Sales of salmon caught in Yakama Nation tributary fisheries **require** a permit issued by Yakama Nation.

Steelhead may be retained for subsistence purposes only.

FUTURE MEETINGS

A hearing is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Tuesday October 11, 2011 via teleconference to consider non-Indian mainstem commercial fisheries.

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<i>2011 Treaty Indian Fall Season Sturgeon Setline Fishery</i>	
Season	6 AM Monday October 10 to 6 PM Monday October 31, 2011 (21.5 days)
Area	SMCRA 1E, 1F, 1G (Zone 6)
Sanctuaries:	Standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries. The Spring Creek sanctuary is exempt for this gear type.
Gear:	Standard setline gear with hook size of 9/0 or greater. Fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J hooks. Fishers are reminded that it is <u>unlawful</u> to use setline gear: with more than 100 hooks per set line, with treble hooks, without visible buoys attached, and with buoys that do not specify operator and tribal identification.
Allowable Sales:	Traditional Platform and Hook and line gear (Hoop nets, dip bag nets, and rod and reel with hook and line) is allowed. Sturgeon. Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length in The Dalles and John Day Pools and from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool may be sold or kept for subsistence purposes. Sales of fish caught during open fishing periods are allowed after the end of the open period, as long as the fish were landed during the open period.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting rule is in effect for Washington buyers. It is unlawful to sell, barter, or attempt to sell or barter sturgeon eggs that have been removed from the body cavity of a sturgeon prior to sale of the sturgeon to a wholesale dealer licensed under chapter RCW 75.28, or to sell or barter sturgeon eggs at retail. It is unlawful to deliver to a wholesale dealer licensed under chapter RCW 75.28 any sturgeon that are not in the round with the head and tail intact.

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