

COLUMBIA RIVER JOINT STATE NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

May 25, 2011

At a Joint State hearing the States modified the ongoing sport fishery downstream of Bonneville Dam. Beginning Friday boat angling is allowed in the area from Beacon Rock upstream to (the boat deadline at) Bonneville Dam.

The States also re-opened specific areas of the Columbia River from Bonneville Dam upstream to the OR/WA border beginning Saturday.

The following table reflects today's action, combined with the season already in place below Bonneville.

<i>2011 Columbia River Spring Chinook Recreational Fisheries</i>	
Season:	Friday May 27 through Wednesday June 15, 2011.
Area:	Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to Bonneville Dam (except for those waters closed under permanent regulations).
Catch limit:	Daily salmonid limit is 6 fish (hatchery Chinook or hatchery steelhead or sockeye), of which no more than 2 may be adults and no more than 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all wild Chinook and wild steelhead. Sockeye count toward the daily adult salmonid limit. Salmon minimum size is 12-inches. All other permanent regulations apply
Season:	Saturday May 28 through Thursday June 2, 2011
Area:	Tower Island power lines (approximately 6 miles below The Dalles Dam) upstream to Oregon/Washington border plus the Oregon and Washington banks between Bonneville Dam and the Tower Island power lines.
Catch limit:	Daily salmonid limit is 6 fish (hatchery Chinook or hatchery steelhead or sockeye), of which no more than 2 may be adults. Release all wild Chinook and wild steelhead. Sockeye count toward the daily adult salmonid limit. Salmon minimum size is 12-inches. All other permanent regulations apply.
<i>Additional regulations:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Effective through June 15, 2011 for the mainstem Columbia River salmon and steelhead fishery from the Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to OR/WA border, it is unlawful when fishing from vessels which are less than 30 feet in length (substantiated by Coast Guard documentation or Marine Board registration) to totally remove from the water any salmon or steelhead required to be released.• In Washington, on the mainstem Columbia River, salmon and steelhead anglers may not possess in the field fish mutilated so that size, species or fin clip cannot be determined until the angler has reached their automobile or principle means of land transportation and has completed their daily angling.<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Effective through June 15, 2011, in Oregon and Washington Select Areas the hatchery adult Chinook daily limit will be the same as the adjacent mainstem Columbia River when the mainstem Columbia River is open for adult Chinook retention. When the adjacent mainstem Columbia River is closed for adult Chinook retention, the salmon daily limit will revert to permanent rules.	

- No hearings are scheduled at this time.