
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

January 30, 2013

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

- All waters in the Tongue Point/South Channel Select Area are under concurrent Oregon and Washington jurisdiction.

<i>2013 Tongue Point/South Channel Select Area</i>	
Winter Season:	Monday and Thursday nights from February 11 through March 12 (9 nights). Open hours are 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours).
Spring Season:	Monday and Thursday nights from April 25 through June 14 (15 nights). Open hours are 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours).
Area:	<p>The winter and spring season Tongue Point fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line extended from the upstream (southernmost) pier (#1) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility through navigation marker #6 to Mott Island (new spring lower deadline), a line from a marker at the southeast end of Mott Island northeasterly to a marker on the northwest tip of Lois Island, and a line from a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island westerly to a marker on the Oregon shore.</p> <p>The South Channel area includes all waters bounded by a line from a marker on John Day Point through the green USCG buoy #7 to a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island upstream to an upper boundary line from a marker on Settler Point northwesterly to the flashing red USCG marker #10, northwesterly to a marker on Burnside Island defining the upstream terminus of South Channel.</p>
Gear:	<p><u>Winter season:</u> 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction <u>Spring season:</u> 9³/₄-inch maximum mesh size restriction</p> <p>In the Tongue Point fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 250 fathoms and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom.</p> <p>In the South Channel fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 100 fathoms and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.</p> <p>Nets not specifically authorized for use in these areas may be onboard a vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.</p>
Allowable Sales:	<p>Salmon, white sturgeon and shad. Sturgeon landing limits in effect.</p> <p><u>Winter season:</u> A maximum of 4 white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday).</p> <p><u>Spring season:</u> : A maximum of 2 white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday).</p>
Miscellaneous Regulations:	<p>For the entire season, fishers are required to call 971-230-8247 and leave a message including name, catch, and where and when the fish will be sold.</p> <p>Other permanent regulations including rules related to lighted buoys remain in effect. 24-hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers</p>

No Compact hearings are currently scheduled.

