
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 18, 2014

The Columbia River Compact met today and revised the open hours and the open days of the Blind Slough/Knappa Slough fishery effective beginning Sunday, September 21. The following is the revised season:

| <i>2014 Select Area Fall Season - Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Fishery</i> | |
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| Season: | Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 21 through October 31, 2014 Open hours are 6 PM – 10 AM |
| Areas: | The Blind Slough fishing area includes all waters from markers at the mouth of Gnat Creek located approximately ½-mile upstream of the county road bridge, downstream to markers at the mouth of Blind Slough. The Knappa Slough fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line from the north marker at the mouth of Blind Slough, westerly to a marker on Karlson Island, downstream to boundary lines defined by markers on the west end of Minaker Island to markers on Karlson Island and the Oregon shore. Markers define an area closure of about a 100-foot radius at the mouth of Big Creek. |
| Gear: | Gillnet with a 9 ¾ -inch maximum mesh size. 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. Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the 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. Lighted buoys required. |
| Allowable Sales: | Chinook, coho, pink, and sockeye salmon and shad |
| Additional Rules: | <u>24-hour quick reporting</u> required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Submission of a report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location. Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov ; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281. Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used satisfies the quick reporting requirement. |

- No Compacts are currently scheduled.