
COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

October 14, 2015

THE FOLLOWING SEASON WAS SET

<i>2015 Treaty Indian Fall Commercial Sturgeon Setline Fishery</i>	
Season #1	6:00 AM Monday October 19 to 6:00 PM Friday October 30, 2015
Area	SMCRA 1G (The Dalles Pool)
Season #2	6:00 AM Monday November 2 to 6:00 PM Friday, November 13, 2015
Area	SMCRA 1F (Bonneville Pool)
Sanctuaries:	Standard sanctuaries applicable to setline gear.
Gear:	Setline Gear. Fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J-hooks. It is unlawful to use setline gear with more than 100 hooks per set line, with hooks less than the minimum size of 9/0, with treble hooks, without visible buoys attached, and with buoys that do not specify operator and tribal identification
Allowable Sales:	Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length in The Dalles Pool and from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool may be sold or kept for subsistence purposes. Sturgeon within the legal size limit and caught in platform and hook and line fishery may be sold <u>if</u> caught during the open period and open area of the set line fishery. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. 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, or to sell or barter sturgeon eggs at retail. It is unlawful to deliver to a wholesale dealer any sturgeon that are not in the round with the head and tail intact.

Washington Quick Report requirements:

Submission of a Quick 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, within the previously indicated time frames specified per area, satisfies the quick reporting requirement.

- The tribes may request a Compact Hearing as early as October 5 to address additional commercial gillnet openings.