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# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

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## THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

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

### *2016 Tongue Point/South Channel Select Area*

<b>Winter Season:</b>	Monday and Thursday nights from February 8 through March 11. Open hours are 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours).
<b>Spring Season:</b>	Thursday night April 21 from 7 PM to 11 PM (4 hours), Tuesday April 26 from 7 PM to 7 AM Wednesday April 27 (12 hours), Thursday April 28 from 7 PM to 7 AM Friday April 29 (12 hours), and 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on Monday and Thursday nights from May 2 through June 14.
<b>Area:</b>	<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, 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 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 the eastern tip of Burnside Island defining the upstream terminus of South Channel.</p>
<b>Gear:</b>	<p><u>Winter season:</u> 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction <u>Spring season:</u> 9<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-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 250 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 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>
<b>Allowable Sales:</b>	Salmon and shad. Retention and sale of sturgeon is prohibited.
<b>Miscellaneous Regulations:</b>	Other permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys remain in effect. 24-hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers. Oregon buyers are required to submit fish receiving tickets electronically pursuant to OAR 635-006-210.

A Compact is scheduled for February 11 to discuss treaty fisheries

A Joint State hearing is scheduled for April 7 to discuss the lower Columbia sport fishery