

COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

July 6, 2016

THE FOLLOWING ACTION WAS TAKEN:

<i>2016 Select Area Commercial Fishery</i>	
Season:	7 PM Thursday July 7 to 7AM Friday July 8 7 PM Tuesday July 12 to 7 AM Wednesday July 13
Area #1:	Blind Slough and Knappa Slough. The lower boundary of the Knappa Slough fishing area is defined by markers on the west end of Minaker Island to markers on Karlson Island and the Oregon shore (fall boundary).
Gear:	9¾-inch maximum mesh size restriction Nets restricted to 100 fathoms in length with no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.
Area #2:	Tongue Point and South Channel.
Gear:	9¾-inch maximum mesh size restriction. <u>Tongue Point</u> : and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom. <u>South Channel</u> : 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.
The following applies to the areas listed above	
Allowable Sales:	Salmon and shad.
Miscellaneous Regulations:	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. Other permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys remain in effect. 24-hour quick reporting required for Washington wholesale dealers. Oregon buyers are required to electronically submit fish receiving tickets (pursuant to WAC 220-69-240 and OAR 635-006-0210).

No Compact hearings are currently scheduled. A hearing will likely be scheduled the week of July 11 to consider additional treaty fisheries. Additional hearings concerning non-Indian commercial fisheries will be dependent on the Chinook runsize, the commercial allocation of harvestable Chinook and actual Chinook harvest.