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# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

July 27, 2016

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## THE FOLLOWING SEASON WAS SET:

- Concurrent jurisdiction waters extend downstream from the Railroad Bridge in Blind Slough and encompass all of Knappa Slough.
- Oregon State waters extend upstream from the Railroad Bridge in Blind Slough.
- An Oregon license is required in Oregon State waters and either an Oregon or Washington license is required in concurrent jurisdiction waters.

<i>2016 Select Area Fall Season - Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Fishery</i>	
Season:	Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights August 24 - September 1 (4 nights) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights September 5 - October 28 (32 nights) Open hours: 7 PM – 7 AM through September 9 and 6 PM – 10 AM thereafter.
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. The area within a 100-foot radius of the mouth of Big Creek is closed.
Gear:	Gillnets with a 9 ¾ -inch maximum mesh size. Maximum net length of 100 fathoms and no weight restriction on headline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the headline 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:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Oregon buyers are required to electronically submit fish receiving tickets pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210. Electronic fish tickets must be submitted within 24 hours of closure of the fishing period, or within 24 hours of landing for fishing periods lasting longer than 24 hours.

- A Compact hearing is scheduled via teleconference for 11 AM August 9 to consider treaty Indian fisheries. A Compact hearing will likely be scheduled the week of August 15 to consider non-Indian commercial seine fisheries.