



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Columbia River Compact / Joint State Action Notice Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

March 8, 2006

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

2006 COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY

- DATES:** 12:00 Noon Thursday March 9 through
6:00 AM Friday March 10, 2006 (18 hours)
- AREA:** Zones 1-4, upstream to Kelley Point
- SANCTUARIES:** Grays River, Elokom-B, Abernathy Creek, Cowlitz River, Kalama-B,
and Lewis-B.
- GEAR:** 8-inch minimum and 9 ¾-inch maximum mesh size restriction.
- ALLOWABLE SALES:** Adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon, sturgeon and shad.
- PARTICIPANTS:** Columbia River commercial fishers with appropriate licenses and legal gear that attended state-sponsored workshop concerning live captive commercial fishing techniques.
- MISCELLANEOUS RULES:** Additional regulations were adopted at the January 26, 2006 Compact hearing. Those regulations include: Use of recovery boxes, limited soak times, red cork and lighted buoy requirements and cooperation of vessel operators to allow state monitors onboard to observe and collect data.

Quick Reporting Rules for Washington Buyers WAC 220-69-240

Washington buyers are required to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10AM on the day after the purchase date by either:

- a) FAX transmission to (360) 906-6776 or (360) 906-6777
- b) E-mail to crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
- c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281

A Columbia River Compact will be held at 8:15 AM Monday March 13 at the WDFW office located at 2108 Grand Blvd Vancouver WA, 98661.

- Call the "Hotline" Number to get current commercial fishing seasons at 360-902-2500.

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THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL SMELT FISHERY

DATES: Closed Thursday March 9
Open Saturday March 11, 7AM to 4PM (9 hours)

Will re-open March 13
to original season of Mondays and Thursdays
7AM to 4PM

AREA: Zones 1 - 5

GEAR: Gill net, dip nets, or trawls as per permanent regulations.

PARTICIPANTS: Columbia River commercial fishers with appropriate licenses and legal gear.

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WDFW has adopted rules that require commercial purchasers to report their landings by a specified time. This rule can be attached to any commercial season that is adopted, but is not in place unless specified. WDFW staff has put in place the "quick reporting required" clause for this season. Washington buyers are required to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10AM on the day after the purchase date by either:

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- The Compact will consider Saturday smelt fishing periods in lieu of Thursday on the anticipated

Compact Hearing on Wednesday March 15.
