ANNOUNCEMENT - CHANGE OF DATE/VENUE

The Columbia River Compact/Joint State hearing scheduled for 10:00 am Thursday January 24th, 2008 at the Water Resources Education Center in Vancouver, Washington has been rescheduled for February 15, 2008. The time and place remain the same.

Stock status, management guidelines, 2007 fishery reviews, 2008 spring Chinook, shad and the Select Areas fisheries will be discussed at the February hearing.

The states have delayed the hearing until after the Fish and Wildlife commissions of Oregon and Washington have made a policy decision on the allocation of upriver spring Chinook impacts. The current policy expired at the end of 2007.

A Compact hearing will occur via teleconference on January 24, 2008 to review the ongoing non-Indian commercial sturgeon and smelt fisheries and consider winter treaty Indian commercial seasons and non-Indian Select Area commercial fishing periods for February.