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

December 12, 2001

**WDFW ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING SEASON:**

**WASHINGTON TRIBUTARY COMMERCIAL SMELT FISHERY:**

**DATE:** Beginning Wednesday, January 2, 2002 through March 31, 2002
(Two 12-hour weekly fishing periods from 1-2-2002 through 3-31-2002)

6:00 PM Sunday through 6:00 AM Monday
6:00 PM Wednesday through 6:00 AM Thursday

**GEAR:** Dip nets as per permanent regulations.

**AREA:** The Cowlitz River downstream from the monument located at Peterson's (Miller's) Eddy.

All other Washington tributaries closed.

**TRIBUTARY SPORT SMELT FISHERY**

**DATE:** Beginning Wednesday, January 2, 2002 through March 31, 2002
(Three 16-hour weekly fishing periods from 1-2-2002 through 3-31-2002)

Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays
6:00 AM to 10:00 PM

**GEAR:** Dip nets as per permanent regulations.

**DAILY LIMITS:** 10 pounds

**AREA:** All Columbia River Tributaries

**MAINSTEM COLUMBIA RIVER NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL SMELT FISHERY:**

**DATE:** Sundays and Wednesdays
3:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Beginning January 1, 2002 through March 31, 2002.
THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

2002 NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL STURGEON SEASON

**DATE:**
- 12:00 PM, Monday, January 7, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, January 8, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Thursday, January 10, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Friday, January 11, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Monday, January 14, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, January 15, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Thursday, January 17, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Friday, January 18, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Monday, January 21, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, January 22, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Thursday, January 24, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Friday, January 25, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Monday, January 28, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, January 29, 2002
- 12:00 PM, Thursday, January 31, 2002 to 6:00 PM, Friday, February 1, 2002

**AREA:**
Zones 1-5

**GEAR:**
9-inch minimum and 9 ¾-inch maximum mesh size restrictions

**SANCTUARIES:**
Sandy River sanctuary

**ALLOWABLE SALE:**
Adipose fin-clipped salmon and sturgeon
RELEASE ALL UNMARKED (FISH WITH ADIPOSE FINS) SALMON

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

**Treaty Indian Commercial Sturgeon Set-line Fishery**


The next Compact hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM, January 31, 2002 at The Water Resources Education Center 4600 SE Columbia Way Vancouver, Washington 98668