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

December 13, 2007

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

### 2008 Commercial White Sturgeon Winter Fishery

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<th>Season:</th>
<th>6 PM Tuesday January 8 – 6 PM Wednesday January 9 (24 hours)</th>
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<th>Area:</th>
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<td>Gear:</td>
<td>9&quot; minimum and 9 ¾&quot; maximum mesh size restrictions.</td>
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<td>Allowable Sales:</td>
<td>White sturgeon and adipose fin-clipped salmon.</td>
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<td>Sanctuaries:</td>
<td>Sandy River sanctuary</td>
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| Misc: | 24 hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers. |

### 2008 Recreational White Sturgeon Fishery for area Above Wauna

**Season:** Open for retention Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays only (4 days/week) 
January 1 - July 31, 2008 and October 1 - December 31, 2008

**Area:** Mainstem Columbia River from the Wauna powerlines upstream to Bonneville Dam, all adjacent Washington tributaries, and the lower Willamette River upstream to Willamette Falls, including Multnomah Channel.

**Misc.:** Retention of green sturgeon prohibited as per permanent regulations. All sturgeon directed angling is prohibited May through July in the sturgeon spawning sanctuary from Marker 85 upstream to Bonneville Dam.

### 2008 Recreational White Sturgeon Fishery for area Below Wauna

**Season:** Open for retention (7 days/week)
January 1- April 30, 2008 and
May 10- June 24, 2008 (or until guideline met)

**Area:** Mainstem Columbia River from the Wauna powerlines downstream to the mouth at Buoy 10, including Youngs Bay, and all adjacent Washington tributaries.

**Misc.:** Retention of green sturgeon prohibited as per permanent regulations
42-inch minimum size limit January 1 through April 30
45-inch minimum size limit May 10 through June 24

- Under permanent rules a treaty Indian commercial setline season occurs annually from noon January 1 to noon January 31. The current size limits for sturgeon caught for tribal subsistence and commercial purposes are 48-60 inches in The Dalles and John Day pools and 45-60 inches in the Bonneville Pool.

**THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:**

### 2008 Commercial Mainstem Smelt Fishery

**Season:** Close ongoing 7-day per week fishery effective January 1, 2008.
- **Open Mondays and Thursdays,** January 1 through March 31, 2008.
- **Open hours are 7 AM to 4 PM.**

**Area:** Zones 1-5

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

**Misc:** 24 hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers.

### 2008 Washington State Recreational Mainstem Smelt Fishery

**Season:** Open 7 days a week, 24-hours a day during January 1 through March 31, 2008.

**Area:** Zones 1-5

**Limit:** 25 pounds per person

**Misc:** Concurrent rules with Oregon

### 2008 Washington Commercial Tributary Smelt Fishery

**Season:** Open **Sunday and Wednesday** from January 1 through March 31, 2008. Open hours are 6 pm to midnight.

**Area:** Cowlitz River (downstream of Peterson's Eddy).

**Gear:** Dip nets.

**Misc:** 24 hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers.

### 2008 Washington Recreational Tributary Smelt Fishery

**Season:** Open **Saturdays** only from January 1 through March 31, 2008
- Open hours are 6 AM to 10 PM.

**Area:** Cowlitz River

**Daily Limit:**
10 pounds per person.

**Misc:** 24 hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers.

- The next Compact hearing is scheduled for 10 AM Thursday, January 24, 2008 at the Water Resources Education Center in Vancouver, Washington.