April 14, 2004

A Joint-State hearing took place today to review salmon stock status and the ongoing recreational fishery and took the following actions:

Mainstem Columbia River Spring Chinook Sport Fishery

- Effective 12:01 AM Thursday April 22 - May 15 (or until guideline is reached) the mainstem Columbia River from I-5 Bridge upstream to Bonneville Dam will be closed 3 days per week (Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays) to angling for salmon, steelhead, and shad. This area will remain open Sundays thru Wednesdays.

- No modifications were adopted for fisheries downstream of the I-5 Bridge.

- No modifications were adopted for fisheries upstream of Bonneville Dam.

- Other gear and bag limit restrictions remain as per permanent regulations.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- The next Joint State hearing is at 1 PM Wednesday April 21, 2004.

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