August 17, 2001

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

NON-INDIAN SELECT AREA COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY

ACTION #1:

AREA: Tongue Point area only open through September 15 and Tongue Point and South Channel areas open thereafter

SEASON: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 4 through October 31. Open during 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM through September 30 and open 6:00 PM to 8:00 AM thereafter.

GEAR: In the Tongue Point fishing area 6-inch maximum mesh size restriction, maximum length of 250 fathoms, and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom.

In the South Channel fishing area 6-inch maximum mesh size restriction, maximum length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline.

Participants in the Tongue Point fishery may have stored onboard their boats, gill nets with leadline in excess of two pounds per any one fathom.

ALLOWABLE SALE: Salmon only. No sturgeon sales allowed.

MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS: Special transportation permits not required to take fish outside the fishing area. Permanent transportation rules in effect.

ACTION #2:

AREA: Blind Slough area only open through September
12 and Blind Slough and Knappa Slough areas open thereafter.

**SEASON:**

Open 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM through September 30 and 6:00 PM to 8:00 AM thereafter.

**GEAR:**
In both areas 6 inch maximum mesh size restriction, maximum length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline.

**ALLOWABLE SALE:**
Salmon only.

**MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS:**
Special transportation permits are not required to take fish outside the fishing area. Permanent transportation regulations are in effect.

**ACTION #3:**

**AREA:** Deep River fishing area

**SEASON:**

Open 7:00 PM to 7:00 AM through September 30 and 6:00 PM to 8:00 AM thereafter.

**GEAR:**
6-inch maximum mesh size restriction, maximum length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline.

**ALLOWABLE SALE:**
Salmon only.

**MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS:**
Permanent transportation rules in effect.

**ACTION #4:**

**AREA:** Steamboat Slough

**SEASON:**
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights from September 4, 2001 through October 31, 2001

7:00 PM to 7:00 AM through September 30 and open 6:00 PM to 8:00 AM thereafter.

**GEAR:**
6-inch maximum mesh size restriction, maximum length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline.

**ALLOWABLE SALE:**
Salmon only.

**MISCELLANEOUS**
Transportation or possession of fish outside the fishing
REGULATIONS: area is unlawful unless by licensed buyer. Fishers may transport their catch out of the fishing area with a permit issued by an authorized agency employee after examining the catch.

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

TREATY INDIAN COMMERCIAL GILLNET FISHERY

AREA: All of Zone 6
DATES: 6:00 AM Tuesday, August 28 to 6:00 PM, Saturday, September 1, 2001
6:00 AM, Tuesday, September 4 to 6:00 PM, Saturday, September 8, 2001
GEAR: No mesh size restrictions
ALLOWABLE SALE: Chinook, coho, steelhead, walleye and shad
SANCTUARIES: Spring Creek sanctuary from ½ mile upstream of the hatchery to 1 ½ miles downstream of the hatchery.
OTHER: Commercial sale of platform/hook & line fish may be sold effective 6:00 AM, August 20, 2001 until further notice.
MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS: Sturgeon between 4 and 5 feet may be retained for subsistence use only. Fish caught in the Klickitat River may be sold when the Klickitat River is open.

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL FISHERY

AREA: I-205 Bridge upstream to Beacon Rock
SEASON: 8:00 PM, Monday, August 20 to 6:00 AM, Tuesday, August 21
8:00 PM, Tuesday, August 21 to 6:00 AM, Wednesday, August 22
8:00 PM, Wednesday, August 22 to 6:00 AM, Thursday, August 23
8:00 PM, Thursday, August 23 to 6:00 AM, Friday, August 24
SANCTUARIES: Sandy and Washougal River Sanctuaries

GEAR: 9" minimum and 9 ¾" maximum mesh size restrictions

ALLOWABLE SALE: Sturgeon and Salmon

OTHER: The Compact announced their intent to allow the use of monofilament gear in the mainstem Columbia River on September 17, 2001 during the fall fishery.

Fishery checkpoints will occur on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Fishers should be prepared for emergency changes.

THE NEXT COMPACT HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR:
1:00 p.m., Friday, September 7, 2001
at Water Resource Education Center
4600 SE Columbia Way
Vancouver, Washington
(360) 696-8478