



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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

February 20, 2003

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASON WAS MODIFIED:

2003 Non-Indian Commercial Salmon Demonstration Fishery:

- The Non-Indian Commercial Spring Chinook Fishery in the mainstem Columbia River has been closed until further notice.
 - The fishing periods that were scheduled to occur on February 21, 24, 26 and 28th have been cancelled.
 - The states will be conducting test fishing in cooperation with the commercial industry on February 25th and March 3rd to determine when it will be feasible to continue with the full fleet commercial fishery.
 - A Compact has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 26th at 1 PM by telephone.
 - Another Compact has previously been scheduled for Tuesday, March 4, 2003 at 10:00 AM at the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife headquarters commission room, located at 2501 SW First Avenue, Portland, Oregon to consider commercial fishing seasons for salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, and smelt.
 - Additional Compact hearings will be held as needed to modify ongoing fisheries.
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