



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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

July 22, 2008

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

Non-Indian Mainstem Commercial Early Fall Salmon Fishery

Season:	7 PM Sunday August 3 to 7 AM Monday August 4 (12 hours) 7 PM Tuesday August 5 to 7 AM Wednesday August 6 (12 hours) 7 PM Thursday August 7 to 7 AM Friday August 8 (12 hours) 7 PM Sunday August 10 to 7 AM Monday August 11 (12 hours) 7 PM Tuesday August 12 to 7 AM Wednesday August 13 (12 hours)
Area:	Zones 1-5
Sanctuaries:	Grays River, Elokommin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A, Lewis-B, Washougal, and Sandy Rivers
Gear	9" minimum and 9¾" maximum mesh size restriction.
Allowable Sales:	Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of 10 white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that the fishery is open. The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes mainstem fisheries only.
Miscellaneous Rules	24-hour Quick Reporting Rule will be in effect for Washington buyers. Multiple Net Rule: Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel <u>if properly stored</u> . A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Joint State hearing is scheduled for 9 AM Thursday July 24 via teleconference to discuss ongoing recreational sturgeon fisheries.
- The Joint staff will monitor catch and schedule additional hearings as necessary.

- Call the "Hotline" Number to get current commercial fishing seasons at 360-902-2500.
- Visit WDFW website at <http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishcorn.htm> for fact sheets, action notices, etc.

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET: SELECT AREAS COMMERCIAL FISHERIES:

2008 Select Area Fall Season - Tongue Point/South Channel Fishery

Season: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 2 through September 12 (6 nights)
and
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 15 - October 31 (28 nights)

Open 7 PM - 7 AM (12 hours) from September 2 - September 19 and 4 PM - 8 AM (16 hours) thereafter.

Areas: Tongue Point and South Channel areas open entire season.

The Tongue Point fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line from a marker midway between the red USCG navigation light #2 at the tip of Tongue Point and the downstream (northern most) pier (#8) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility, to the flashing green USCG navigation light #3 on the rock jetty at the west end of Mott Island, a line from a marker at the southeast end of Mott Island northeasterly to a marker on the northwest tip of Lois Island, and a line from a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island westerly to a marker on the Oregon shore.

The South Channel area includes all waters bounded by a line from a marker on John Day Point through the green USCG buoy #7 to a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island upstream to an upper boundary line from a marker on Settler Point northwesterly to the flashing red USCG marker #10, northwesterly to a marker on Burnside Island defining the upstream terminus of South Channel.

Gear In the Tongue Point fishing area, restrict gear to 6-inch maximum mesh size, maximum net length of 250 fathoms, and weight not to exceed two pounds in any one fathom.

In the South Channel fishing area, restrict gear to 6-inch maximum mesh size, maximum net length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.

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 Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of three white sturgeon may be Sales: possessed or sold by each vessel participating each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes Select Area fisheries only.

- All waters in this fishing area are concurrent jurisdiction waters.
- A license from either Oregon or Washington is required to participate in this fishery.

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THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET: SELECT AREAS COMMERCIAL FISHERIES:

2008 Select Area Fall Season - Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Fishery

Season: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 2 through September 12 (6 nights)
and
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 15 through October 31 (28 nights)
Open 7 PM - 7 AM (12 hours) from September 2 through September 19 and 6 PM - 8 AM (14 hours) thereafter.

Areas: The Blind Slough fishing area includes all waters from markers at the mouth of Gnat Creek located approximately ½-mile upstream of the county road bridge, downstream to markers at the mouth of Blind Slough.

The Knappa Slough fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line from the north marker at the mouth of Blind Slough, westerly to a marker on Karlson Island, downstream to boundary lines defined by markers on the west end of Minaker Island to markers on Karlson Island and the Oregon shore. Markers define an area closure of about a 100' radius at the mouth of Big Creek.

Gear: In both fishing areas, restrict gear to an 8-inch maximum mesh size through September 5 and a 6-inch maximum mesh size thereafter, maximum net length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.

Allowable Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of three white sturgeon may be Sales: possessed or sold by each vessel participating each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes Select

Area fisheries only.

- Concurrent jurisdiction waters extend downstream from the Railroad Bridge in Blind Slough and encompass all of Knappa Slough and require Compact action.
- Oregon State waters extend upstream from the Railroad Bridge in Blind Slough
- An Oregon license is required in Oregon State waters and either an Oregon or Washington license is required in concurrent jurisdiction waters.

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THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET: SELECT AREAS COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

2008 Select Area Fall Season - Deep River Fishery

Season: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 1 through October 31 (36 nights)
Open 7 PM - 7 AM (12 hours) from September 1 through September 19 and 4 PM - 8 AM (16 hours) thereafter.

Area: The Deep River fishing area includes all waters downstream of the town of Deep River to the mouth defined by a line from USCG navigation marker #16 southwest to a marker on the Washington shore.

Gear: Restrict gear to 6-inch maximum mesh size, maximum net length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed. No nets can be tied off to stationary structures. Nets may not fully cross the navigation channel.

Allowable Sales: Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of three white sturgeon may be possessed or sold by each vessel participating each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes Select Area fisheries only.

- Concurrent jurisdiction waters extend downstream from the Highway #4 Bridge.
- Washington state waters extend upstream from the Highway #4 Bridge and require Washington state action.
- A Washington license is required in Washington state waters and either a Washington or Oregon license is

required in concurrent jurisdiction waters

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OREGON ACTION NOTICE

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET: SELECT AREAS COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

2008 Select Area Fall Season - Youngs Bay Fishery

Season: 6 AM Wednesday to 6 PM Thursday (36 hours) weekly from August 6 - 28 (4 fishing periods)

and

7 PM Tuesday September 2 through noon Friday October 31 (60 days)

Area: The Youngs Bay fishing area includes all waters from the new Highway 101 Bridge upstream to the upper boundary markers at Battle Creek Slough; except for closed waters southerly of the alternate Highway 101 Bridge (Lewis and Clark River).

Gear: 8-inch maximum mesh size restriction through August 28 and 6-inch maximum mesh size restriction thereafter.

Restrict net to maximum length of 250 fathoms and weight on leadline not to exceed two pounds in any one fathom. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed upstream of markers located approximately 200 yards upstream of the mouth of the Walluski River.

Red corks are required at 25-fathom intervals and red corks must be in contrast to corks used in the remainder of the net.

Multiple Net Rule in effect during August 6-through August 28

Multiple Net Rule: Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.

Allowable Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of three white sturgeon may be Sales: possessed or sold by each vessel participating each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes Select Area fisheries only.

- All waters in this fishing area are in Oregon State waters.
- Effective February 13, 2008, non-resident commercial fishing and boat licenses will not be required of Washington fishers participating in Youngs Bay commercial fisheries. A valid fishing and boat license issued by the state of Washington will be considered adequate for participation in this fishery. The open area for non-resident commercial fishers includes all areas open for commercial fishing.

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Also see:

- [Maps](#) of Select Area fishing sites in the lower Columbia River. - PDF file (211.7 KB)

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