



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

April 23, 2003

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASON WAS MODIFIED:

Treaty Indian Commercial Salmon Fishery:

SEASON:	6 AM Thursday April 24 to 6PM Saturday April 26 (2 ½ days)
AREA:	All of Zone 6.
SANCTUARIES:	All standard sanctuaries in effect, except no Spring Creek Sanctuary.
GEAR:	No mesh size restrictions.
ALLOWABLE SALES:	Chinook salmon, steelhead, walleye, carp, and shad.
PARTICIPANTS:	Columbia River commercial fishers with appropriate licenses and legal gear that attended a state-sponsored workshop concerning live captive commercial fishing techniques and possess a permit that allows participation in this fishery.
MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS:	Commercial sales of platform and hook and line caught fish and fish in Big White Salmon, Wind, and Klickitat rivers and Drano Lake tributary fisheries are allowed beginning with the commercial gillnet opening 6AM Thursday April 24 and ending 6PM Saturday May 31. Fish may be sold from the Washington tributaries during the open Yakama Nation fishing periods within those areas. Sturgeon may not be sold, but sturgeon between 4 and 5 feet may be kept for subsistence use.

The next Joint State Sport hearing to update spring chinook stock status, review ongoing spring chinook sport fishery, and consider modifications to the ongoing sport fishery will occur via telephone at 3 pm Monday April 28.

