THE FOLLOWING SELECT AREA SEASONS WERE SET:

2008 COMMERCIAL SALMON FISHERY

### Tongue Point/South Channel Select Areas

| Spring Season: | Monday and Thursday nights from April 28 through June 13 (14 nights). Open hours are 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours). |
| Area:          | Reduced Tongue Point and South Channel areas open entire season (see map). The reduced Tongue Point fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line extended from the upstream (southern most) pier (#1) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility through navigation marker #6 to 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 reduced Tongue Point fishing area, gear restricted to 8-inch maximum mesh size, maximum net length of 250 fathoms, and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom. In the South Channel fishing area, gear restricted to 8-inch maximum mesh size, maximum net length of 100 fathoms, and no weight restriction on leadline. Multiple Net Rule: It will be legal to have onboard a commercial vessel more than one net provided the nets are of mesh size legal for the fishery, or the net has a minimum mesh size of 9 inches, and the length of any one net does not exceed 1,500 feet in length. |
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 Sales:**
Salmon, white sturgeon, and shad.

**Miscellaneous Regulations**
During April 28 through May 9, transportation or possession of fish outside the fishing area is unlawful until ODFW staff has biologically sampled individual catches. A sampling station will be established at the MERTS dock during the first four fishing periods (April 28-May 9). After sampling, fishers will be issued a transportation permit by agency staff. Beginning May 12, fishers are required to call 503-325-3418 and leave a message including name, catch, and where and when the fish will be sold.

- No Compact or Joint State hearings are scheduled at this time.

- **Call the "Hotline" Number to get current commercial fishing seasons at 360-902-2500**

**WDFW's website:**
http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/crc/

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http://www.dfw.state.or.us/fish/OSCRP/CRM/index.asp

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