



# FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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## Columbia River Joint State Hearing Notice

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 26, 2007

A Joint State hearing took place to discuss sturgeon sport fisheries in the area upstream of the Wauna power lines.

### HEARING RESULTS

#### Above Wauna Sturgeon Recreational Fishery

Effective October 1, 2007: White sturgeon retention will be allowed 7 days per week (Sunday through Saturday) through December 31, 2007.

Area includes: The mainstem Columbia River from the Wauna power lines (RM 40) upstream to the fishing deadline at Bonneville Dam, including all adjacent Washington tributaries and the lower Willamette River upstream to Willamette Falls, including Multnomah Channel.

- Retention of green sturgeon is prohibited year-round per permanent rule.
- **Call the "Hotline" Numbers to get current fishing seasons at (360) 696-6211 then \*1010, or (360) 902-2500**
- **Visit WDFW website for Fact Sheets, Action Notices, etc.**

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## Columbia River Compact / Joint State Action Notice

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 26, 2007

The Joint States met today to review the status of the ongoing recreational fisheries above and below Bonneville Dam and took the following action:

#### Recreational Fishery below Bonneville Dam: Chinook Retention

The Columbia River will re-open for the retention of Chinook salmon from Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam.

Effective: 12:01 AM Saturday September 29 through December 31, 2007.

#### Recreational Fishery below Bonneville Dam: Bag limit increase

On the Columbia River in the area from Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam.

The bag limit for salmon will be as follows:

Min. size 12". Daily limit 6. Up to 4 adults may be retained, only 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release wild coho, chum and sockeye.

Effective: 12:01 AM Saturday September 29 through December 31, 2007.

### Recreational Fishery above Bonneville Dam: Chinook Retention

The Columbia River will re-open for the retention of Chinook salmon from Bonneville Dam upstream to the Hood River Bridge.

Effective: 12:01 AM Saturday September 29 through December 31, 2007.

Bag limits remain as stated in the 2007/2008 "Fishing in Washington" pamphlet.

Check the 2007/2008 WDFW [fishing pamphlet](#) for rules and regulations

WDFW's website:

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/crc/>

ODFW's website:

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

WDFW hotline: 360-902-2500 or, 360-696-6211 (press \*1010)

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Late Fall Non-Indian Commercial Salmon Fishery

2007 Mainstem Commercial Salmon Fishery - Late Fall	
SEASON:	8 PM Thursday September 27 to 6 AM Friday September 28, 2007 (10 hours)
AREA:	Zones 4-5
SANCTUARIES:	Lewis B, Sandy and Washougal rivers
GEAR:	8 - inch minimum mesh size. It will be legal to have onboard a commercial vessel more than one net, as long as the nets are of legal size for the fishery, or the net has a minimum mesh size of 9 inches. The length of any one net cannot 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	Salmon and white sturgeon. A maximum of 10 white sturgeon may be

SALES:	possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) that the fishery is open. Limit applies to mainstem only. The weekly white sturgeon limit in Select Areas remains at 5 white sturgeon for each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). Green sturgeon retention prohibited.
MISCELLANEOUS RULES:	12- hour Quick Reporting Rules will be in effect for Washington buyers. Landings must be reported within <u>12 hours</u> after the fishery closes.

### Future Compact Hearings

- A Compact hearing is scheduled via teleconference for 2:30 PM Thursday, September 27 to consider treaty Indian fisheries and non-Indian fisheries for the following week.

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