

COLUMBIA RIVER ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 5, 2018

THE FOLLOWING SEASONS WERE SET:

<i>2018 Treaty Indian Commercial Sturgeon Setline Fishery</i>	
Season	6 AM Wednesday June 6 to 6 PM Friday June 15
Area	John Day Pool Only
Sanctuaries:	Standard river mouth and dam closed areas applicable to setline gear
Gear:	Setline Gear. Fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J-hooks. It is unlawful to use setline gear with more than 100 hooks per set line, with hooks less than the minimum size of 9/0, with treble hooks, without visible buoys attached, and with buoys that do not specify operator and tribal identification.
Allowable Sales:	Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length in the John Day Pool may be sold or kept for subsistence purposes. Sturgeon within the legal size limit and caught in the platform and hook and line fishery may only be sold if caught during the open period and open area of the set line fishery. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-180 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. It is unlawful to sell, barter, or attempt to sell or barter sturgeon eggs that have been removed from the body cavity of a sturgeon prior to sale of the sturgeon to a wholesale dealer licensed, or to sell or barter sturgeon eggs at retail. It is unlawful to deliver to a wholesale dealer any sturgeon that are not in the round with the head and tail intact.

<i>2018 Treaty Indian – John Day Pool Sturgeon Platform and Hook and Line</i>	
Season:	6AM Wednesday June 6, through 6PM Friday June 15 only during open sturgeon setline fishery.
Area:	John Day Pool only
Gear:	Hoop nets/bag nets, dip nets, and rod and reel with hook and line.
Allowable Sales:	Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length may be sold or kept for subsistence during the open period and open area of the setline fishery, Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.
Sanctuaries:	Standard closed areas are in place for these gear types.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-180 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

<i>2018 Treaty Indian Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery</i>		
Season	6 AM Monday June 18 to 6 PM Friday, June 22	(4.5 days)
	6 AM Monday June 25 to 6 PM Friday, June 29	(4.5 days)

Area	Zone 6
Sanctuaries:	Standard river mouth and dam closed areas applicable to gillnet gear, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary is not in effect.
Gear:	Set and Drift Gill nets with a 7” minimum mesh size restriction
Allowable Sales:	Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence. Sturgeon may not be sold, but sturgeon from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool and sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length in The Dalles and John Day Pools and may be kept for subsistence purposes. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-180 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

<i>2018 Treaty Indian Summer Season Commercial Platform and Hook and Line Zone 6</i>	
Season:	6:00 AM June 16 through 11:59 PM July 31.
Area:	Zone 6
Gear:	Hoop Nets/Bag Nets, Dip Nets, and rod and reel with hook and Line.
Allowable Sales:	Salmon (any species), steelhead caught after 6:00 AM on June 16 may be sold or kept for subsistence. Shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may also be sold or retained for subsistence. Sturgeon may not be sold, but sturgeon from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool and sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches fork length in The Dalles and John Day Pools and may be kept for subsistence purposes. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes.
Sanctuaries:	Standard sanctuaries in place for this gear type, except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary is not in effect.
Additional:	Quick reporting required for all Washington Fish Buyers pursuant to WAC 220-352-180, and landings must be quick reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

<i>2018 Treaty Fishery - Summer Season Commercial Platform and Hook and Line Downstream of Bonneville Dam</i>	
Season	6:00 AM June 16 through 11:59 PM July 31 and only during days and times opened under tribal rules.
Area	Area defined in tribal/state MOUs/MOAs.
Gear:	Hook and line and/or platform gear identified in tribal rules.

Allowable Sales:	Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence. Sturgeon may not be retained in fisheries downstream of Bonneville Dam. Sales of fish are not authorized on COE property downstream of Bonneville Dam. Fish must be transported elsewhere for sale. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-180 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. COE property at Bonneville Dam has no public trash service and fishers and any other visitors need to remove any trash with them.

<i>2018 Yakama Nation Zone 6 Tributary Fisheries</i>	
Season:	Beginning 6:00 AM June 16 until further notice, and only during those days and hours when the tributaries listed below are open under lawfully enacted Yakama Nation tribal subsistence fishery regulations for enrolled Yakama Nation members.
Area:	Wind River, Drano Lake and Klickitat River
Gear:	Hoop Nets/Bag Nets, Dip Nets, and Rod and reel with hook and Line. Gillnets may only be used in Drano Lake.
Allowable Sales:	Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, carp, catfish, walleye, bass, and yellow perch. Sturgeon from 38 to 54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool may be kept for subsistence. Sales of fish are allowed after the open period concludes, as long as the fish were landed during the open period.
Additional:	Quick reporting required for all Washington Fish Buyers pursuant to WAC 220-352-180, and landings must be quick reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- The Joint Staff has not set additional Compact hearings at this time. Staff will monitor fisheries and recommend additional hearings as needed.