
COLUMBIA RIVER ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

July 25, 2019

THE FOLLOWING FISHERIES WILL OPEN:

<i>2019 Treaty Indian Commercial Sturgeon Setline Fishery</i>	
Season:	6 AM Friday July 26 to 6 PM Saturday August 17
Area:	John Day Pool only
Sanctuaries:	Standard 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- 315 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. It is unlawful to deliver to a wholesale dealer any sturgeon that are not in the round with the head and tail intact.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- There will be a Compact Hearing on Tuesday, July 30 at 10 AM by teleconference to consider Select Area Fisheries and fall season Treaty platform and hook and line fisheries.
- There will be a Compact Hearing on Monday, August 12 at 10 AM at the WDFW Regional Office in Ridgefield, WA to consider Treaty and non-Treaty mainstem commercial gillnet fisheries.