

Columbia River Policy Comparison

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Policy Issue (or Option)		WA Policy	CRW June 10 Recommendation
		Original ¹	
Spring Chinook			
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation	80%/20%	Abundance-based matrix (avg. 70%/30%)
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	No mainstem gear	Tangle net, other alternative gear and gill nets (any period)
3	Allocation of Upriver spring Chinook within recreational fisheries (Bonneville to OR-WA state line/ Snake River)	75%/25% (10%/15%)	75%/25% (10%/15%)
5	Unused commercial impacts	No restrictions	No restrictions
6	Unused recreational impacts	Not addressed	To commercial fishery
Summer Chinook			
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation downstream of Priest Rapids Dam	80%/20%	Abundance-based matrix (avg. 70%/30%)
2	Unused commercial impacts	To upriver recreational fisheries or spawning escapement	No restrictions
3	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Alternative gear	Gill net and alternative gear
Fall Chinook			
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation of most constraining fall Chinook impacts	≤80%/≥20%	≤70%/≥30%
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Alternative gear	Gill net (any Zone) and any alternative gear
3	Alternative gear allocation	Not addressed	Addressed in Other Measures (Increase alternative gear development/ implementation)
Coho			
1	Recreational/Commercial allocation	Prioritized by fishery segment	Prioritized by fishery segment
2	Allowable mainstem commercial gear	Alternative gear	Gill net and any alternative gear (includes tangle net)
Other Measures			
1	Increase alternative gear development/implementation	Pursued	Pursue
2	Hatchery and natural production goals	Not addressed	Pursue to increase production
3	Commercial license buyback program	Pursued	Pursue with Oregon
4	Limitation on recreational fishing guide/charter licenses	Not addressed	Pursue with Oregon
5	Scientific Monitoring	Pursued	Pursue
6	Thermal angling sanctuaries	Not addressed	Discuss with Oregon
7	Barbless hooks	Barbless required	Not addressed

¹ WA's original Policy effective 2013 and modified in 2017. Includes other guiding principles not listed (i.e., predation, commercial sustainable certification).

² Alternative gear definition: Including but not limited to purse/beach seine, tangle net, pound net, or other gears authorized by the Commissions.