
COLUMBIA RIVER ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

March 16, 2021

The following action was taken:

<i>2021 John Day Pool Recreational White Sturgeon Fishery</i>

Effective 11:59 PM Thursday, March 18, 2021 the retention of sturgeon is prohibited in the mainstem Columbia River from John Day Dam upstream to McNary Dam (John Day Pool).
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For all recreational sturgeon fisheries, catch limits, seasonal sturgeon spawning sanctuary closures, and other restrictions in the 2020-2021 Washington Sport Fishing Rules pamphlet remain in effect the entire year, including catch and release angling allowed during periods closed to sturgeon retention.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- A Joint State hearing is scheduled for 10:00 AM Tuesday March 23, 2021 via teleconference to consider the Columbia River recreational white sturgeon fishery downstream of the Wauna powerlines.
- The Joint Staff will continue to review available information and recommend additional hearings as needed.