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# COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

January 29, 2014

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## THE FOLLOWING SEASON WAS MODIFIED:

*The Compact met today and modified the permanent regulations for the Winter Season treaty gillnet fishery to include a fork length description of legal-size white sturgeon that is consistent in all three pools. The following reflects the current season with the updated fork length criteria.*

<b>2014 Treaty Indian Winter Gillnet Commercial Fishery</b>	
<b>Area:</b>	Zone 6 (Bonneville Dam upstream to McNary Dam) (SMCRA 1F, 1G and 1H)
<b>Season:</b>	6:00 a.m. February 1 until 6:00 p.m. March 21
<b>Allowable Sales:</b>	Salmon, steelhead, sturgeon, shad, carp, catfish, walleye, bass, and yellow perch. <u>Sturgeon between 43-54 inches in fork length (same for all three pools)</u> may be sold or retained for subsistence purposes. Live release of all oversize and under-size sturgeon is required.  Sale of platform or hook-and-line-caught fish is allowed during open commercial seasons.
<b>Gear:</b>	Gill nets (no mesh restriction on gillnets), hoop nets, dip bag nets, and rod and reel with hook and line.
<b>Sanctuaries:</b>	River mouth sanctuaries (WAC 220-32-058) remain in effect except the Spring Creek Hatchery sanctuary (sub-section 5) of WAC 220-32-058
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	<u>24-hour quick reporting</u> required for Washington wholesale dealers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240.
<b>2014 Treaty Indian Platform Hook and Line below Bonneville Dam</b>	
<b>Season</b>	6:00 a.m. February 1 until 6:00 p.m. March 21
<b>Area:</b>	Below Bonneville Dam, as prescribed in tribal MOUs/MOAs
<b>Gear:</b>	Hoop nets, dip bag nets, and rod and reel with hook and line. Bank fishing only.
<b>Allowable Sales:</b>	Sales allowed concurrent with Zone 6 Platform hook and line sales and as allowed in accordance with each state/tribe MOU/MOA.  <b>Sales are allowed only when lawfully enacted by tribal regulations.</b>  Salmon, steelhead, shad, carp, catfish, walleye, bass, and yellow perch. <b>Sturgeon retention is prohibited;</b> sturgeon may not be sold or retained for ceremonial or subsistence purposes. Sales may not occur on USACE property.
<b>Miscellaneous:</b>	Tribal members fishing below Bonneville Dam must carry an official tribal enrollment card.  <u>24-hour quick reporting</u> required for Washington wholesale dealers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240.

No Compact hearings are currently scheduled.