



COLUMBIA RIVER JOINT STATE ANNOUNCEMENT

May 2, 2017

The states of Oregon and Washington do not intend to schedule a Joint State hearing this week to consider extending the on-going recreational spring Chinook fishery in the mainstem Columbia River between Bonneville Dam and the OR/WA state line (upstream of McNary Dam). The fishery will close effective 12:01 AM Saturday May 6 as originally scheduled.

Although few fish have been caught in this area to date, passage of spring Chinook at Bonneville Dam remains very low. The joint staff will be closely monitoring the status of the upriver spring Chinook run and will recommend a hearing to consider the recreational spring Chinook fishery upstream of Bonneville Dam as soon as possible.