

# JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

June 28, 2018

## THE FOLLOWING WAS SET:

| <i>2018 Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Commercial Fishery</i> |   |  |
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| Season:   | Monday July 2 – Tuesday July 3<br>Thursday July 5 – Friday July 6<br>Monday July 9 – Tuesday July 10<br>Thursday July 12 – Friday July 13<br>Monday July 16 – Tuesday July 17<br>Thursday July 19 – Friday July 20<br>Monday July 23 – Tuesday July 24<br>Thursday July 26 – Friday July 27   | (12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours)<br>(12 hours) |
|   | Open hours are from 7 PM to 7 AM.   |  |
| Area:   | Blind Slough and Knappa Slough areas are open.<br>The lower boundary of the Knappa Slough fishing area is defined by markers on the west end of Minaker Island to markers on Karlson Island and the Oregon shore (fall boundary).   |  |
| Gear:   | 9/4-inch maximum mesh size restriction<br>Nets restricted to 100 fathoms in length with no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.<br><br>Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater. |  |
| Allowable Sales:  | Salmon, white sturgeon and shad. A maximum of <b>three</b> white sturgeon with a fork length of 44-50 inches may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The <b>three</b> white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes all Select Area fisheries.  |  |
| Additional:   | Other permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys remain in effect.<br>Oregon buyers are required to submit fish receiving tickets electronically pursuant to OAR 635-006-210.<br>A 24-hour quick reporting rule is in effect for Washington buyers pursuant to WAC 220-69-240.   |  |

**2018 Tongue Point/South Channel Commercial Fishery**

**Season:** Monday July 2 – Tuesday July 3 (12 hours)  
Thursday July 5 – Friday July 6 (12 hours)  
Monday July 9 – Tuesday July 10 (12 hours)  
Thursday July 12 – Friday July 13 (12 hours)  
Monday July 16 – Tuesday July 17 (12 hours)  
Thursday July 19 – Friday July 20 (12 hours)  
Monday July 23 – Tuesday July 24 (12 hours)  
Thursday July 26 – Friday July 27 (12 hours)

Open hours are from 7 PM to 7 AM.

**Area:** Tongue Point and South Channel fishing areas are open.  
The lower boundary of the Tongue Point fishing area is defined as a line from a marker midway between the red USCG navigation light #2 at the tip of Tongue Point and the downstream (northern most) pier (#8) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility, to the flashing green USCG navigation light #3 on the rock jetty at the west end of Mott Island (fall boundary).

**Gear:** 9¾-inch maximum mesh size restriction  
In the Tongue Point fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 250 fathoms and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom.  
In the South Channel fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 250 fathoms and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.  
Nets not specifically authorized for use in these areas may be onboard a vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.

**Allowable Sales:** Salmon, white sturgeon and shad. A maximum of **three** white sturgeon with a fork length of 44-50 inches may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The **three** white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes all Select Area fisheries.

**Miscellaneous Regulations:** Other permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys remain in effect.  
Oregon buyers are required to submit fish receiving tickets electronically pursuant to OAR 635-006-210.  
A 24-hour quick reporting rule is in effect for Washington buyers pursuant to WAC 220-69-240.

***2018 Youngs Bay Commercial Fishery***

Effective July 2, modify allowable sales for the Youngs Bay Select Area fishery to allow white sturgeon retention as described below:

Allowable Sales: Salmon, white sturgeon and shad. A maximum of **three** white sturgeon with a fork length of 44-50 inches may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday). The **three** white sturgeon possession and sales limit includes all Select Area fisheries.

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

- No additional Compact or Joint State hearings are scheduled at this time. The joint staff will monitor fisheries and recommend additional hearings as needed. The tribes request another Compact Hearing during the week of July 2, preferably on July 5.