Fish and Wildlife Commission



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2023 COLUMBIA RIVER WINTER COMMERCIAL GILLNET FISHERY

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Fish and Wildlife Code of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Fish and Wildlife Commission has the authority to establish emergency regulations for Umatilla ceremonial, subsistence, and commercial fisheries. Pursuant to that authority, the Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted the following regulations.

ZONE 6 COMMERCIAL GILLNET FISHERY

Area: Bonneville Pool Only

Dates: 6 AM Monday February 27 to 6 PM Wednesday March 1, 2023 (2.5 days).

Area: The Dalles Pool Only

Dates: 6 AM Monday March 6 to 6 PM Thursday March 9, 2023 (3.5 days).

Restrictions: Closed areas in effect include standard dam and river mouth areas applicable to setline gear.

Gear: Commercial sturgeon fishing may be conducted with setlines only. Hook Size must be 9/0 or larger. Fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J-Hooks.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, yellow perch, bass, walleye, catfish, and carp may be sold or retained for subsistence. Sturgeon from 43 to 54 inches in fork length in The Dalles Pool may be sold or retained for subsistence use. Sturgeon between 38-54 inches fork length in the Bonneville Pool may also be sold or retained for subsistence use. Fish landed during the open periods are allowed to be sold after the period concludes. Sturgeon must be delivered to the buyer "in the round", that is fins, guts, scutes, and gills intact.

ZONE 6 PLATFORM AND HOOK AND LINE FISHERY

Area: All of Zone 6

Dates/Times: 6:00 AM Wednesday February 1 to 6:00 PM Saturday March 18, 2023.

Gear: Hoop nets, dip nets, hook and line.

Allowable Sales: Salmon (any species), steelhead, shad, carp, catfish, walleye, bass and yellow perch may be sold or retained for subsistence. Sales of fish are allowed after the fishing period as long as they were landed during the open period. Sturgeon of legal size for that pool may be sold only if caught during open commercial gillnet periods for that pool. Sturgeon from 43-54" fork length in the John Day and The Dalles pools and from 38-54" in the Bonneville Pool may be retained for subsistence.

Restrictions: Closed areas in effect include standard dam and river mouth areas applicable to hook and line gear.

24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240 except that landings must be reported within 24-hours of completing the fish ticket. If you have any fishing enforcement problems or need assistance or information, day or night, contact the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement Office, 4270 Westcliff Drive, Hood River, Oregon. Phone: (541)-386-6363 or toll-free (800)-487-FISH (3474).

If you have any questions on the regulations please contact FWC Chair Corinne Sams at 541-429-7371 or Preston Bronson, CTUIR Harvest Manager.at 541-429-7277.

Remember to get your Boat Safety Certificate for 2023

PLEASE WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKETS FOR SAFETY and avoid overloaded boats.

Fish & Wildlife Approval:

Alan Sum

Chair, Fish & Wildlife Commission

2/23/2023

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Member, Fish & Wildlife Commission

2/23/2023

Date