



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Columbia River Compact / Joint State Action Notice Washington Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

March 15, 2006

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

2006 SELECT AREA FISHERY, BLIND SLOUGH:

DATES: 7 PM Sunday March 19 to 7 AM Monday March 20 (12hours)
7 PM Wednesday March 22 to 7 AM Thursday March 23(12 hours)

AREA: Blind Slough area only

GEAR: 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction
Nets restricted to 100 fathoms in length with no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed

ALLOWABLE SALES: Salmon, sturgeon, and shad. A maximum of 3 green or white sturgeon in the aggregate may be possessed or sold by each participating vessel during each calendar week (Sunday through Saturday) of the open fishing periods. The 3 sturgeon possession and sales limit includes all Select Area Fisheries

MISCELLANEOUS RULES: Special transportation permits are not required to take fish outside the fishing area.

Permanent transportation regulations will be in effect.

Quick Reporting Rules for Washington Buyers WAC 220-69-240

Washington buyers are required to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10AM on the day after the purchase date by either:

- a) FAX transmission to (360) 906-6776 or (360) 906-6777
- b) E-mail to crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov
- c) Telephone to 1-866-791-1281

- Next Compact will occur at 2:00 PM Wednesday March 22, 2006 via telephone.

- Call the "Hotline" Number to get current commercial fishing seasons at 360-902-2500.
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COMPACT HEARING RESULTS:

NON-INDIAN FISHERIES

Spring Chinook Commercial Salmon Fishery

- No action was taken on this fishery. The fishery remains closed at this time.
- Test fishing will be conducted Tuesday March 21, 2006.
- The next compact hearing is scheduled for 2:00 PM Wednesday March 22, 2006 via teleconference.

NOTICE TO FISHERS:

Plan to call the "Hotline" Number on Monday and Wednesday afternoons to get the fishing season.

The Hotline Number is (360) 902-2500

Press "1" for commercial and "2" for Columbia River.
