



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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

November 20, 2003

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS CONTINUE:

TREATY INDIAN STURGEON SETLINE FISHERY

DATES:	Immediately until guidelines are achieved
AREA:	Bonneville and John Day Pools
GEAR:	Hook size must be 9/0 or larger. Tribal fishers are encouraged to use circle hooks and avoid J hooks.>
SANCTUARIES:	All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries are in effect
ALLOWABLE SALES:	Sales are restricted to sturgeon between 4-5 feet in length
MISCELLANEOUS RULES:	Scaffold caught sturgeon between 4 and 5 feet may be sold during open commercial fishing periods for that pool.

Quick Reporting Rule for Washington Buyers

WDFW has adopted rules that require commercial purchasers to report their landings by a specified time. This rule can be attached to any commercial season that is adopted, but is not in place unless specified. WDFW staff recommends that the "quick reporting required" clause be in place for this fishery. Washington buyers would be required to send a report of their landings to WDFW by 10AM on the day after the purchase date by either:

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

THE FOLLOWING COLUMBIA RIVER SEASONS WERE SET:

TREATY INDIAN STURGEON GILLNET FISHERY

DATES: 6 AM Monday December 1 through 6 PM Sunday
December 14

AREA: Bonneville Pool

GEAR: Gillnets, 8 1/2 minimum mesh

SANCTUARIES: All standard river mouth and dam sanctuaries are in effect.

ALLOWABLE SALES: Sales are restricted to sturgeon between 4-5 feet in length,
carp and walleye.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES: Scaffold caught Sturgeon between 4 and five feet may be
sold during open commercial fishing periods for that pool.

Salmon and steelhead may not be sold, but may be
retained for subsistence purposes.

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