



FACT SHEET

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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Columbia River Compact / Joint State Action Notice

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

August 26, 2008

The Columbia River Compact agencies of Oregon and Washington met today to review the ongoing non-Indian commercial fisheries and took the following actions:

Non-Indian Fisheries

Fall Chinook Commercial Fishery

Rescinded the previously adopted commercial fishing period below.

Season: 11 PM Tuesday August 26 to 5 AM Wednesday August 27 (6 hrs)

Area: (Zones 4-5)

Select Area Commercial Fisheries

The following rule was adopted by Compact action in concurrent OR/WA jurisdiction waters and by the state of Oregon or Washington in state waters.

Blind Slough/Knappa Slough Fishery

The following rule change to gear was made to the previously adopted ongoing non-Indian Select Area commercial fishery. Rule change is in bold.

Season: Open 7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) nightly during the following week:

Tuesday September 2 - Friday September 5 (3 nights)

Gear: In both Blind Slough and Knappa Slough fishing areas, legal gear is restricted to a **9¾" maximum mesh size restriction through September 5 and a 6-inch maximum mesh size thereafter**, net not to exceed 100 fathoms in length, and no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.

Future Meetings

- There are no Compact hearings scheduled at this time.

