
COLUMBIA RIVER ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 27, 2023

The following actions were taken:

Commercial

Recommendation: 2023 Non-Treaty Mainstem Commercial Late-Fall Fishery

	Seven 12-hour fishing periods during September 28 – October 19.
Week 39 (1 period)	7 PM Thursday September 28 to 7 AM Friday September 29
Week 40 (2 periods)	7 PM Sunday October 1 to 7 AM Monday October 2 7 PM Wednesday October 4 to 7 AM Thursday October 5
Week 41 (2 periods)	7 PM Sunday October 8 to 7 AM Monday October 9 7 PM Wednesday October 11 to 7 AM Thursday October 12
Week 42 (2 periods)	7 PM Sunday October 15 to 7 AM Monday October 16 7 PM Wednesday October 18 to 7 AM Thursday October 19
Area:	Zones 4-5. The deadline at the lower end of Zone 4 is defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore.
Sanctuaries:	Washougal and Sandy river sanctuaries.
Gear:	Drift gillnets only. 8-inch minimum mesh size restriction. Multiple net rule is in effect. 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. Lighted buoys required.
Allowable Sales:	Salmon (except chum) and shad.
Additional:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-352-315. Oregon buyers are required to electronically submit fish receiving tickets pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210. Electronic fish tickets must be submitted within 24 hours of closure of the fishing period, or within 24 hours of landing for fishing periods lasting longer than 24 hours.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- No Compact or Joint State hearings are scheduled at this time. The Joint Staff will monitor fisheries and recommend additional hearings as necessary.