COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

September 18, 2014

The Columbia River Compact met today and revised the open days of the Tongue Point/ South Channel fishery effective beginning Sunday, September 21. The following is the revised season:

2014 Select Area Fall Season - Tongue Point/South Channel Fishery	
Season:	Sunday , Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights from September 21 through October 31, 2014 Open 4 PM – 10 AM
Areas:	Tongue Point and South Channel areas open entire season. The Tongue Point fishing area includes all waters bounded by a line from a marker midway between the red USCG navigation light #2 at the tip of Tongue Point and the downstream (northern most) pier (#8) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility, to the flashing green USCG navigation light #3 on the rock jetty at the west end of Mott Island, a line from a marker at the southeast end of Mott Island northeasterly to a marker on the northwest tip of Lois Island, and a line from a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island westerly to a marker on the Oregon shore.
	The South Channel area includes all waters bounded by a line from a marker on John Day Point through the green USCG buoy #7 to a marker on the southwest end of Lois Island upstream to an upper boundary line from a marker on Settler Point northwesterly to the flashing red USCG marker #10, northwesterly to a marker on Burnside Island defining the upstream terminus of South Channel.
Gear:	Gillnet with a 6-inch maximum mesh size. Maximum net length of 250 fathoms. In the Tongue Point fishing area: weight not to exceed two pounds in any one fathom. Fishers participating in the Tongue Point fishery may have un-stored gillnets legal for the South Channel fishing area onboard the vessel.
	In the South Channel fishing area: no weight restriction on leadline. Use of additional weights and/or anchors attached directly to the leadline is allowed.
	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:	Chinook, coho, pink, and sockeye salmon and shad
Additional Rules:	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers, pursuant to WAC 220-69-240. Submission of a report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location.
	Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777;
	via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281.
	Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used satisfies the quick reporting requirement.

• No Compacts are currently scheduled.