COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

March 20, 2017

THE FOLLOWING COMMERCIAL SEASON WAS EXTENDED:

(Changes highlighted in **bold**)

• All waters in the Tongue Point/South Channel Select Area are under concurrent Oregon and Washington jurisdiction.

2017 Tongue Point/South Channel Select Area

Winter Season: 3 PM to 7 PM (4 hours) Wednesday March 22, 2017.

Spring Season: Thursday night April 20 from 2 PM to 6 PM (4 hours),

Tuesday April 25 from 7 PM to 7 AM Wednesday April 26 (12 hours), Thursday April 27 from 7 PM to 7 AM Friday April 28 (12 hours), and

7 PM to 7 AM (12 hours) on Monday and Thursday nights from May 1 through June 13.

Area: The winter and spring season Tongue Point fishing area includes all waters bounded by a

line extended from the upstream (southernmost) pier (#1) at the Tongue Point Job Corps facility through navigation marker #6 to 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 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 the eastern tip of Burnside Island defining the upstream

terminus of South Channel.

Gear: Winter season: 7-inch minimum mesh size restriction

Spring season: 93/4-inch maximum mesh size restriction

In the Tongue Point fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 250 fathoms

and weight not to exceed two pounds on any one fathom.

In the South Channel fishing area, gear restricted to a maximum net length of 250 fathoms and 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 these areas may be onboard a 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.

Allowable Sales: Salmon and shad. Retention and sale of sturgeon is prohibited.

Miscellaneous Other permanent regulations including rules related to transportation and lighted buoys

Regulations: remain in effect.

24-hour Quick Reporting Rule in effect for Washington buyers.

Oregon buyers are required to submit fish receiving tickets electronically pursuant to OAR

635-006-210.

A Compact hearing may be scheduled for late next week via teleconference to consider Select Area commercial fisheries.

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