COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

February 21, 2018

THE FOLLOWING WAS SET:

2018 Mainstem Columbia River Spring Chinook Recreational Fishery		
Downstream of Bonneville Dam		
Season:	Thursday March 1 through Saturday April 7	38 retention days
Area:	Buoy 10 upstream to Beacon Rock (boat and bank) plus bank angling only from Beacon Rock upstream to the Bonneville Dam deadline. Legal upstream boat boundary defined as: A deadline marker on the Oregon bank (approximately four miles downstream from Bonneville Dam Powerhouse One) in a straight line through the western tip of Pierce Island to a deadline marker on the Washington bank at Beacon Rock.	
Daily Bag Limit:	Two adult salmonids (Chinook, coho, or steelhead) per day, but only one may be a Chinook. Only adipose fin-clipped fish may be kept. All other permanent regulations apply.	
Bonneville Dam to Oregon/Washington Border		
Season:	Friday March 16 through Monday May 7	53 retention days
Area:	Tower Island power lines (approximately 6 miles below The Dalles Dam) upstream to Oregon/Washington border, plus the Oregon and Washington banks between Bonneville Dam and the Tower Island power lines.	
Daily Bag Limit:	Two adult salmonids (Chinook, coho, or steelhead) per day, but only one may be a Chinook. Only adipose fin-clipped fish may be kept. All other permanent regulations apply.	

Retention of Hatchery Steelhead and Shad During Recreational Spring Chinook Fisheries

Effective March 16 – May 15, 2018, the Columbia River will be open for retention of adipose finclipped steelhead from Buoy 10 to the Highway 395 Bridge and shad from Buoy 10 to Bonneville Dam **ONLY** during days and in areas open for retention of adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook.

2018 Select Area Recreational Fisheries

Effective March 1 – June 15:

On days when the mainstem Columbia River recreational fishery below Bonneville Dam is open to retention of Chinook, the salmonid daily bag limit in Oregon and Washington Select Areas will be the same as mainstem Columbia River bag limits.

On days when the mainstem Columbia River fishery is <u>closed</u> to Chinook retention, the permanent salmonid bag limit regulations for Select Areas apply.

FUTURE MEETINGS

• Additional hearings will be called as needed.