



**2. Fish, Wildlife and Law and Order
Committee
FY 2011
OFFICIAL ACTION**

DATE: September 21, 2011

TOPIC: 2011 Fall Chinook Fishery

ACTION REQUESTED: Extend the commercial fishery in all of Zone 6 to authorize fishing from 6 a.m. September 26 to 6 p.m. September 29, 2011.

FORMAL ACTION TAKEN: The Fish and Wildlife/Law and Order Committee authorize the sixth fall commercial fishing period in all of Zone 6 of the Columbia River during the dates listed above. Chinook, coho, pink salmon, steelhead, sockeye, walleye, yellow perch, catfish, bass, shad, and carp caught with subsistence gears in Zone 6 and in the Klickitat and Big White Salmon Rivers will also be open for commercial sales during this period during modified weekly scheduled openings. **No Sale of Sturgeon is allowed.** Regulations (see attached) are pursuant to Title 32.14 of the Revised Law & Order Code of the Yakama Nation. Authority to enforce these regulations is provided under Section 32.18.07 of the Code. Violations of any of these regulations are punishable under Section 32.18.07 of the Code.

DECISION: APPROVED () DISAPPROVED () TABLED ()

VOTE: TOTAL ___ FOR ___ AGAINST ___ ABSTAINED ___

Members		Committee Activity			
		Roll Call	Motion	Second	Vote
Virgil Lewis, Sr.	Chairman	P			
Richard George	Secretary				
Sam Jim, Sr.	Member	Present	Sr.		for
Gerald Lewis	Member				
<i>Athena Sanchez</i>	Ex Officio:	Present		AS	for

OTHERS PRESENT: _____

CERTIFICATION: *Virgil Lewis*
CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE ACTION NUMBER: _____ 2011

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CHIEF OF POLICE; LAW & JUSTICE; LITIGATION ATTORNEY; IN-HOUSE
COUNSEL

FROM: FISH & WILDLIFE/LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE
VIRGIL LEWIS SR, CHAIRMAN; RICHARD SOHAPPY, SECRETARY;
SAM JIM SR, MEMBER; GERALD LEWIS, MEMBER

SUBJECT: Fall Commercial Gillnet Season

The Yakama Nation Fish & Wildlife/Law & Order Committee authorizes the sixth 2011 Commercial Fall Gillnet Fishing Season. The following regulations are issued pursuant to Title 32.14 of the Revised Law & Order Code of the Yakama Nation. Authority to enforce these regulations is provided under Section 32.18.07 of the Code. Violations of any of these regulations are punishable under Section 32.18.07 of the Code.

FISHING AREA: All of Zone 6 of the Columbia River

DATES: **6 a.m. September 26** **TO 6 p.m. September 29**

GEAR: **8-inch Minimum Mesh Restriction.**

To provide protection for sturgeon in Zone 6, fishing with divernets is prohibited during these fisheries. **Driftnet** fishing will be allowed with nets up to 1,200 feet in length. All rivermouth and dam sanctuaries are still in effect, and registered gillnet sites must be respected. A permit is no longer required for driftnetting.

SANCTUARIES: All standard dam and river mouth sanctuaries are in effect, except the Small sanctuary (**150-foot radius around the hatchery ladder**) at the Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery (NFH) on the Washington side of the river.

Fishing in closed areas of the Columbia River is a violation of Section 32.16.03 of the Code.

ALLOWABLE SALES: The sale of scaffold, hook & line or gillnet caught Chinook, coho, pink salmon, steelhead, sockeye, walleye, yellow perch, catfish, bass, shad, and carp is permitted during this commercial fishing season. No sales of sturgeon will be allowed during these periods, but incidentally caught sturgeon 43-inches to 54-inches in fork length may be kept for subsistence purposes in The Dalles and John Day Pools, and sturgeon 38-inches to 54-inches in fork length may be kept for subsistence purposes in the Bonneville Pool.

SCAFFOLDS/HOOK & LINE: All scaffolds/hook & line will remain open. Sunday Closures are still in effect.

Klickitat and Big White Salmon Rivers: Sales of fish caught in the Klickitat and Big White Salmon Rivers will be allowed during the above commercial fishing period. The **Klickitat River** is open on a **modified** weekly opening of **6 AM Monday** to 6 PM Saturday during the week of September 26. The Big White Salmon River is open Mondays through Saturdays.

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