



**2. Fish and Wildlife  
Committee  
FY 2016  
OFFICIAL ACTION**

**DATE:** June 13, 2016

**TOPIC:** 2016 Summer Chinook Fishery

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Open summer commercial gillnet openings in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6am June 16 to 6 pm June 18, from 6am June 20 to 6pm June 23, and from 6am June 27 to 6pm June 30, 2016

**FORMAL ACTION TAKEN:** The Fish and Wildlife Committee authorize summer commercial gillnet openings in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6am June 16 to 6pm June 18, from 6am June 20 to 6pm June 23, and from 6am June 27 to 6pm June 30, 2016. Regulations (see attached) are pursuant to Title 32.14 of the Revised Law and Order Code of the Yakima 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 (X) DISAPPROVED ( ) TABLED ( )

**VOTE:** TOTAL 4 FOR 3 AGAINST 0 ABSTAINED 0

Members		Committee Activity			
		Roll Call	Motion	Second	Vote
Gerald Lewis	Chairman	Present			
Patrick Luke	Secretary	Present			For
Vivian Babs George	Member	Present	KBG		for
Leland Bill	Member	Present		LHB	Base
	Ex Officio:				

**OTHERS PRESENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION:** Gerald Lewis 06-14-16  
CHAIRMAN

**COMMITTEE ACTION NUMBER:** #223 2016-

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**TO:** YN FISHERMEN; FRMP; HOUSING; SUPERINTENDENT; GAME WARDENS;  
CHIEF OF POLICE; LAW & JUSTICE; LITIGATION ATTORNEY; IN-HOUSE  
COUNSEL

**FROM:** FISH & WILDLIFE COMMITTEE  
GERALD LEWIS, CHAIRMAN; PATRICK LUKE, SECRETARY;  
VIVIAN BABS GEORGE, MEMBER; LELAND BILL, MEMBER

**SUBJECT:** Summer Commercial Gillnet Season

The Yakama Nation Fish & Wildlife Committee authorized the first three (3) 2016 Commercial Summer Gillnet Fishing Seasons. 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. June 16                to                6 p.m. June 18  
                              6 a.m. June 20                to                6 p.m. June 23  
                              6 a.m. June 27                to                6 p.m. June 30

**GEAR:**                7-inch Minimum Mesh Restriction during all three openings.

To provide protection for sturgeon in Zone 6, fishing with diver nets is prohibited during these fisheries. Driftnet fishing will be allowed with nets up to 1,200 feet in length. All river mouth 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 for the sanctuary at the Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery (NFH) on the Washington side of the river. **There will be no sanctuary in effect at Spring Creek NFH**

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 salmon, sockeye, coho, steelhead, walleye, yellow perch, catfish, bass, shad, and carp is permitted during these commercial fishing seasons. 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:** The Platform/hook and line will remain open as per T101-16, which includes opening the YN fishery below Bonneville Dam on June 16. Commercial sale for the platform/hook & line fishery and previously approved Yakama Nation Tributaries remains open.

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