

## 2. Fish & Wildlife Committee FY 2015 OFFICIAL ACTION

DATE:

October, 23, 2014

TOPIC:

Sturgeon Setline Fishery

**ACTION REQUESTED:** 

Open Sturgeon Setline Fishery in The Dalles Pool

FORMAL ACTION TAKEN: At the present time a total of 655 harvestable Sturgeon are available in The Dalles Pool of Zone 6 of the Columbia River. This fishery will provide needed fishing opportunity while also protecting the sturgeon resource. Therefore, the F&W Committee authorizes a commercial sturgeon setline fishery in The Dalles Pool from 6 a.m. October 27 to 6 p.m. November 29, 2014. 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 (\*\*XX)

DISAPPROVED ( )

TABLED ( )

VOTE:

TOTAL 3 FOR 2

AGAINST 0 ABSTAINED 0

Members		Committee Activity			
		Roll Call	Motion	Second	Vote
Sam Jim, Sr.	Chairman	Absent			
Gerald Lewis	Secretary	Present	•		
Delano Saluskin	Member	P		05	FOR
Warren Spencer, Jr.	Member	P	223		Fon
	Ex Officio:				

OTHERS PRESENT:

COMMITTEE ACTION NUMBER:

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## 2014 YAKAMA NATION COMMERCIAL STURGEON SETLINE FISHERY

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The Yakama Nation Fish and Wildlife Committee hereby authorize a commercial fishery for white sturgeon in all of Zone 6 of the Columbia River. The following regulations are issued pursuant to Title 32.14 of the Revised Law and Order Code of the Yakama Nation. Authority to enforce this regulation 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.

TIMES: 6 AM Monday, October 27 to 6 PM Saturday, November 29, 2014, fishery may close sooner if the Sturgeon Guideline is reached.

## Fishing during closed periods is a violation of Section 32.18.07 of the Code.

AREA: Setline fishing may be conducted in The Dalles Pool, outside standard commercial fishing sanctuaries at hydroelectric dams. Commercial river mouth sanctuaries are not in effect during the sturgeon setline fishery.

## Fishing in closed waters of the Columbia River is a violation of Section 32.16.01 of the Code.

GEAR: Commercial sturgeon fishing may be conducted with setlines only. Hook size must be 9/0 or larger and circle hooks are encouraged over J-hooks. All other gears are specifically prohibited. Setlines are restricted to no more than 100 hooks per line.

COMMERCIAL AND SUBSISTENCE SIZE LIMITS: Pursuant to Section 32.14.05 of the Code, it shall be unlawful to retain sturgeon less than 43 inches or larger than 54 inches in **Fork length** for any purpose in The Dalles Pool. It shall be unlawful to contort or mutilate sturgeon in any way to conform to size limits. Sturgeon must be delivered to the buyer "in the round", that is with fins, guts, scutes, and gills intact.

PLATFORM/H&L: platform/h&l caught sturgeon between 43 inches and 54 inches Fork length in The Dalles Pool may be sold during the setline fishery.

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