

Memorandum



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To: YN FISHERMEN; FRMP; HOUSING;
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From: Fish & Wildlife Committee:
JEREMY TAKALA, Chairman; CASEYMAC WALLAHEE, Secretary;
TERRY RAMBLER- GOUDY, Member; TERRY HEEMSAH SR,
Member

RE: CA-184-2025-2 Extend Commercial Sturgeon Setline Fishery in John
Day Pool

There has been low effort and harvest during the January Setline Fishery in John Day Pool. Harvestable sturgeon quota remains in John Day Pool; therefore, the Yakama Nation Fish and Wildlife Committee Hereby Extends the winter setline Fishery in John Day Pool to 6pm Saturday February 15, 2025. 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.

TIME: Extend to 6pm Saturday February 15, 2025

AREA: Setline fishing may be conducted in John Day 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. Fishing during closed periods is a violation of Section 32.18.07 of the Code.

GEAR: Commercial sturgeon fishing may be conducted with setlines only. A maximum of 100 hooks allowed per setline; hook size must be 9/0 or larger and circle hooks are encouraged. **All other gears are specifically prohibited.**

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 and John Day Pools. 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 (hoop nets and/or hook and line) caught sturgeon between 43 inches and 54 inches in The Dalles and John Day Pools may be sold during the open setline period described above.

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