

September 22, 2021

**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; GEORGE R MENINICK,  
SECRETARY; JEREMY TAKALA, MEMBER; TERRY  
HEEMSAH SR, MEMBER

**SUBJECT:** 2021 Fall Commercial Gillnet Season

**RE:** CA 420 -2021 -2

The Yakama Nation Fish & Wildlife Committee authorize additional fall commercial gillnet opening. 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 AM September 27 TO: 6 PM October 01

**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 **800 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:** **SANCTUARIES:** Standard dam and river mouth sanctuaries are in effect. **The Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery (NFH) sanctuary on the Washington side of the river will be reduced to a 150 radius around the hatchery ladder.**

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 this period, 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 River:** Sales of fish caught in the Klickitat River will be allowed during the above commercial fishing periods. The **Klickitat River** is open on scheduled weekly openings of **6 AM Mondays to 6 PM Saturdays.**

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