



**2. Fish and Wildlife  
Committee  
FY 2017  
OFFICIAL ACTION**

**DATE:** August 16, 2017

**TOPIC:** 2017 Fall Commercial Gillnet Fishery

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Open the fall commercial gillnet season in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6 a.m. August 21 to 6 p.m. August 25, 6 a.m. August 28 to 6 p.m. September 1, and 6 a.m. September 4 to 6 p.m. September 8, 2017.

**FORMAL ACTION TAKEN:** The Fish and Wildlife Committee authorize the first three (3) gillnet openings in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6 a.m. Monday August 21 to 6 p.m. Friday August 25; 6 a.m. Monday August 28 to 6 p.m. Friday September 1; and from 6 a.m. Monday September 4 to 6 p.m. Friday September 8, 2017. See the attached regulations pursuant to Title 32.14 of the Revised Law and 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 (X) DISAPPROVED ( ) TABLED ( )

**VOTE:** TOTAL 3 FOR 2 AGAINST 0 ABSTAINED 0

Members		Committee Activity			
		Roll Call	Motion	Second	Vote
Gerald Lewis	Chairman	Present			
Leland Bill	Secretary	Present	LMB		For
Vivian Babs George	Member	Present		VBS	for
Edwin Lewis	Member	Absent/T			
	Ex Officio:				

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

**CERTIFICATION:** Gerald Lewis 08.18.17  
CHAIRMAN

**COMMITTEE ACTION NUMBER:** 286 2017-

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August 16, 2017

**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; LELAND BILL, SECRETARY;  
VIVIAN BABS GEORGE, MEMBER; EWDIN LEWIS, MEMBER

**SUBJECT:** 2017 Fall Commercial Gillnet Season

The Yakama Nation Fish & Wildlife Committee authorize the first three (3) 2017 Commercial Fall Gillnet Fishing Openings. 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

<b>DATES:</b>	6 a.m. August 21	<b>TO:</b> 6 p.m. August 25
	6 a.m. August 28	<b>TO:</b> 6 p.m. September 1
	6 a.m. September 4	<b>TO:</b> 6 p.m. September 8

**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:** Standard dam and river mouth sanctuaries are in effect.

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 modified weekly openings of 6 AM Mondays to 6 PM Saturdays.

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