



**2. Fish and Wildlife  
Committee  
FY 2018  
OFFICIAL ACTION**

**DATE:** June 06, 2018

**TOPIC:** 2018 Summer Chinook Commercial Fishery

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Open summer gillnet fisheries in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6 am June 18 to 6 pm June 22 and from 6 am June 25 to 6 pm June 29, 2018.

**FORMAL ACTION TAKEN:** The Fish and Wildlife Committee authorizes the first two summer commercial gillnet openings in Zone 6 of the Columbia River from 6 am June 18 to 6 pm June 22 and from 6 am June 25 to 6 pm June 29, 2018. Regulations (see attached) are 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	Absent/T			
George R. Meninick	Member	P	GM		For
Francis George	Member	P		FD	For
	Ex Officio:				

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

**CERTIFICATION:** Gerald Lewis 06.06.18  
CHAIRMAN

**COMMITTEE ACTION NUMBER:** 261 2018-

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June 06, 2018

**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;  
GEORGE R. MENINICK, MEMBER; FRANCIS GEORGE,  
MEMBER

**SUBJECT: Open Summer Commercial Gillnet Seasons**

The Yakama Nation Fish & Wildlife Committee authorizes the first two (2) Commercial Summer Gillnet 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

**DATES:** 6 am June 18 TO 6 pm June 22  
6 am June 25 TO 6 pm June 29

**GEAR:** 7-inch Minimum Mesh Restriction during both openings

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:** 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 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:** The Platform hook & line will remain open as per T084-18; which includes opening the YN fishery below Bonneville Dam on June 16. Commercial sale for the platform hook and line fishery and approved Yakama Nation tributaries remains open. Sunday Closures are still in effect.

**Wind River and Klickitat River:** Sales of fish caught in the Wind and Klickitat Rivers after 6 am Saturday June 16, 2018 will be allowed during the above commercial fishing periods.

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