

News Release



2320 W. COMMODORE WAY, SUITE 300, SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, 98199-1287

June 7, 2016

Columbia River Nearshore Sport Fishery Closing

The Columbia River all-depth sport halibut fishery closed June 3, 2016 with an estimated harvest of 11,493 pounds (with Oregon catch numbers for June 2 and 3 still to come), representing an overage of 484 pounds in the Columbia River Subarea. As a result, the Columbia River (Marine Area 1 in Washington) nearshore fishery will close at the end of the day (11:59 PM), Wednesday, June 8, 2016 for the remainder of the year.

For more information on these areas please refer to:

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife website:

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/creel/halibut/>

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife website:

<http://www.dfw.state.or.us/MRP/finfish/halibut/index.asp>

In all marine areas open to halibut fishing, there is a one-fish daily catch limit and no minimum size restriction.

Due to the short notice nature of this notification, it is posted to our website only, and no paper copy has been mailed out.

- END -

Bruce M. Leaman
Executive Director
Phone: (206) 634-1838
Fax: (206) 632-2983
Web: www.iphc.int