

## Summary of 2015 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulation Changes

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	General (Statewide) Regulations		Rationale
	1	Universal Date Changes	Early fishing season opener will April 25 <sup>th</sup> Late fishing season opener will be May 23 <sup>rd</sup> Free Fishing Weekend – June 6-7	Universal date changes will be made throughout the angling regulation pamphlet to reflect the early and late trout season openers, and free fishing weekend
12, 29, 41, 51, 65, 72, 82, 90, 97	2	Non Game Fish and Shellfish - Freshwater	Freshwater Clams and Mussels – It is illegal to harvest or possess any freshwater mussels or clams.	Housekeeping corrections: As per OAR 635-007-0900, a Scientific Taking Permit is issued by the Department to any agency, corporation, association or other such entity of which one or more members may engage in the taking of fish, will be issued in the name of the entity. Scientific Take Permits can also be issued to any student desiring to take fish for scientific or educational purposes as part of a program or course of study at an educational institution. As per OAR 635-007-0910, fish taken pursuant to the permit will be used only for scientific or educational purposes. Scientific Take Permits are not generally issued to individual members of the public and Scientific Take Permits are not issued for harvest purposes. It is misleading to have the wording about scientific take permits in the fishing regulations the way it is written in the freshwater clams and mussels rule. (Michele Weaver)
7	3	Licenses, Tags, Permits, Endorsements and Validations	Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit (Permit holders must still acquire the appropriate license and tags) - See Qualifications on page XX	Simplifying rules/improve readability: Redundant language regarding the qualifications. The way that it is presented on page 7 is difficult to understand. Refer reader to page 14 for a more easy to read and understand description of the qualifications.

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### Northwest Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Water	Special Regulations	Rationale
30	4	Beaver Creek (Columbia Co.) 1. Upstream to 200 feet below lower falls	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31. Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> May 23-July 31. Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Oct. 31	New Opportunity: Increase opportunity in an area upstream of an anadromous barrier.(Murtagh)
	5	2.Upstream of ODFW signs located at lower falls	Open for <i>trout</i> . 2 <i>trout</i> per day	
30	6	Big Elk Creek (Yaquina Basin, Lincoln Co.) 1. [Including tidewater upstream to [to first bridge located downstream from Grant Creek] <u>Bear Cr</u>	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31  Open for <i>Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31	Conservation: CMP, extensions to current fall Chinook deadlines are being proposed from the lower deadlines associated with low Chinook returns from 2008 - 11. The Yaquina fall Chinook population has recovered from previous lows and is healthy. Allowing some additional harvest opportunity will not greatly increase overall harvest of Yaquina fall Chinook. Monitoring fall Chinook returns will continue in the Big Elk Cr. system the re-initiation of a standard spawning survey on Grant Cr., tributary to the Big Elk Cr. and by catch card estimates (Spangler)
	7	2. Bear Cr. upstream to first bridge located downstream from Grant Creek	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31	
30	8	Drift Cr. – Alsea Basin, (Lincoln Co.) 1. Mouth upstream to [Lyndon Creek (near head of tidewater)] <u>lower Wilderness Boundary (RM10)</u>	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and Aug. 1-Dec. 31. Open for <i>chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31.	Conservation: CMP, Low Chinook salmon populations from 2008-11 caused a conservation concern with harvest of fall Chinook in Drift Cr. and the larger Alsea Basin. The result of low Chinook abundance was to lower harvest deadlines to

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				protect spawners. The fall Chinook population in the Alsea basin has recovered since the low levels observed from 2008-11 and are considered healthy. With CMP direction some harvest opportunity is being returned that was lost in 2008. This increased harvest opportunity will not have a significant increase in the overall harvest of fall Chinook in the Alsea Basin (Spangler)
	9	2. [Lynden Creek upstream] <b>From the lower Wilderness Boundary (RM10)</b> to 200 feet below Bohanon Falls located at RM 25	Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and Oct. 16-Dec. 31. <del>[Open for Chinook salmon Oct. 16-Dec. 31]</del>	
		3. Tributaries not listed and mainstem and tributaries above Bohanon Falls	Closed.	
30	10	Drift Cr. – Siletz Basin (Lincoln, Co) <b>1)</b> Upstream to Sampson Cr.	Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31. <del>Open for Chinook salmon May 24-Dec. 31</del>	Conservation: Low Chinook salmon populations from 2008-11 caused a conservation concern with harvest of fall Chinook in Drift Cr. and the larger Siletz Basin. The result of low Chinook abundance was to lower harvest deadlines to protect spawners. The fall Chinook population in the Siletz basin has recovered since the low levels observed from 2008-11 and are considered healthy. With direction from the CMP some harvest opportunity is being
		<b>2) Upstream to steel bridge entering the Mennonite Camp (RM10)</b>	<b>Open for Chinook salmon Aug. 1-Dec. 31</b>	returned that was lost in 2008. This increased harvest opportunity will not have a significant increase in the overall harvest of fall Chinook in the Siletz Basin (Spangler)

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31	11	<p>Kilchis River Upstream from Hwy 101 Bridge to North Fork, including tidewater (Downstream of Hwy 101 Br. See Tillamook Bay)</p>	<p>Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; [<del>except Closed for Chinook salmon upstream from old Hwy 101 bridge Aug. 1 Sept. 15;</del> 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, [4 in any 7 consecutive days,] <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams</b> (Necanicum to Nestucca River)[ <del>Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.</del>]</p> <p><b>Closed to salmon angling above the Tilden Bluff's Road (Barker's /Green) Bridge (RM 11.0) entire year.</b></p>	<p>Conservation: CMP Change: This proposed regulation eliminates summer closure period and the use of the "old Hwy 101 bridge" as the lower boundary. Because the Aug. 1 to Sept. 15 Chinook closure period is a relic of the spring Chinook stocking days in the Kilchis, it is no longer needed. Moving the boundary down to the Hwy 101 Bridge creates a consistent bay/river segregation point as the Miami, Wilson, and Trask will also be using the same point of delineation (i.e. Hwy 101 Bridge). This will also help as we transition to wild coho fisheries in Tillamook Bay as the Hwy 101 bridges are the upstream boundary in those fisheries. This proposal will create no loss of opportunity (Knutsen)</p>
31	12	<p>Klaskanine River...North Fork up to Klaskanine Hatchery deadline...South Fork Klaskanine</p>	<p>North Fork Klaskanine is <del>closed to salmon and steelhead angling upstream of Olney Lane Bridge (near fire station) from Sept. 1-Oct. 15.</del> South Fork Klaskanine is <del>closed to salmon and steelhead angling from Sept. 1 Oct. 15</del> <b>Klaskanine River upstream from Young's River Loop Bridge (including north and south forks) is closed to all salmon and steelhead angling from Aug. 15 - Oct. 15</b></p>	<p>Conservation: This proposed rule change: (1) moves the summer angling deadline downstream approximately 1.5 stream miles, and (2) changes the salmon/steelhead closure period start date from Sept 1 to Aug. 15. The purpose of the deadline and closure period is to provide additional protection for returning Select Area Bright fall Chinook needed for broodstock. This program has only been able to meet broodstock needs two times since the program was moved to NF Klaskanine Hatchery in the mid-1990's. Ample sport angling opportunity remains downstream of the Young's River Loop Road</p>

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				Bridge.(Knutson)
31	13	Klaskanine River...North Fork up to Klaskanine Hatchery [deadline] dam.	<p><del>[Closed on North Fork from 200 feet below hatchery holding pond fishway upstream to hatchery dam]</del></p> <p><b><u>North Fork Klaskanine from the seasonal deadline marker (at hatchery) upstream to the hatchery dam is closed to all angling Aug. 1 – Nov. 30</u></b></p>	<p>Allowing angling up to the hatchery dam will provide opportunity on returning hatchery winter steelhead and stray spring Chinook. Hatchery winter steelhead are stocked in the North Fork Klaskanine for fishery opportunity, but the primary brood source is Big Creek Hatchery. Hatchery spring Chinook are not stocked in the Klaskanine, but stray hatchery fish (presumably from Young's Bay select area releases) enter the system in variable numbers each year. New Opportunity: Good holding water is present in the area below the dam to the current deadline, so anglers would benefit by gaining more access in this area. The lower deadline will continue to be utilized during the late summer/fall to primarily protect Chinook needed for broodstock collection and to reduce snagging on concentrated fish. The area description for the Klaskanine is changed from angling deadline to dam to indicate the new upper extend of salmon/steelhead angling during the year (Knutson)</p>
31	14	South Fork Klaskanine (upstream of falls at RM 4.7)	<p><b><u>Open for trout year round, catch and release only.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures only.</u></b></p>	<p>New Opportunity: The South Fork Klaskanine upstream of the falls is home to an isolated cutthroat trout population. Due to the falls, no anadromous species are present. Allowing catch and release angling on this resident trout population is expected to provide</p>

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				additional angling opportunity with minimal impact to the resource. This regulation is similar to rules adopted for other isolated cutthroat populations in lower Columbia tributaries. (Knutsen)
31	15	Lake Cr., ( <b>Siuslaw Basin</b> , Lane County): [ <del>upstream to Deadwood Creek</del> ]  <b>1. Confluence upstream to Indian Creek</b>	<del>[Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 March 31 and May 24 – Dec. 31.]</del>  Open for Chinook Salmon May 24-Oct 15 – Dec. 31	With direction from the CMP, the Lake Cr. stream segment from the confluence upstream to Indian Cr. would re-open to harvest of fall Chinook. Low populations from 2008-12 created a conservation concern with Siuslaw fall Chinook so Lake Cr. was closed to Chinook harvest. Siuslaw fall Chinook populations have recovered so the proposed deadline modification is to return some harvest opportunity on healthy Chinook population. Chinook populations within the Siuslaw Basin will continue to be monitored through standard spawning ground surveys and in the coming years with population estimates determined by the PST crews (Spangler).
		<b>2. From</b> [ <del>Deadwood Creek</del> <b>the confluence upstream to the mouth of Fish Creek</b> ]	<b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan.1-March 31 and Dec. 1-31.</b>  Closed [ <del>Oct. 1</del> ] <b>Sept 1 –Nov. 30</b>	
		<b>3. Tributaries not listed</b>	<b>Closed.</b>	
32	16	Miami River (Tillamook Co.) 1. Mainstem upstream from Hwy. 101 Br. only, including tidewater (Downstream of Hwy 101 Br. See Tillamook Bay)	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 24 – Dec. 31.</i> Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon May 24-July 31.</i> Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult Chinook salmon per day, no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)</i> [4-in any 7 consecutive days, 40 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.] • Catch and release only for <i>chum salmon</i> Sept. 16-Nov. 15.	Conservation: CMP: Area Description has been reformatted for clarity. Fall Chinook bag limit change is per that identified in the CMP (Knutsen)
32	17	Necanicum River (Clatsop	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 23</i> [ <del>Sept. 1</del> ]	Conservation: CMP: Changing the open periods

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		Co.) 1. Downstream of Hwy. 53 bridge at Necanicum Jct., including Neawanna Creek tidewater downstream of 12th Avenue Bridge	– Dec. 31. Open for fall <i>Chinook</i> Aug 1 [Sept. 1] – Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)</b>  Open for marine fish and other fish all year below the 12th Avenue Bridge located in Seaside. See Marine Zone, pages 100-108.	for adipose fin-clipped steelhead and fall Chinook simply aligns the timing with other fisheries for these species on the north coast. Removing reference to marine fish and other fish specific to the Necanicum basin. This is likely a remnant of some previous rule meant to control angling and angling hours above 12th Ave Bridge.
		Necanicum River (Clatsop Co.) <b>2. Tributaries and stream sections not listed</b>	<b>Closed</b>	Conservation: CMP: The tributaries and stream sections not listed regulation is a CMP related change to provide added juvenile protection and create consistency with other North Coast rivers. CMP fall Chinook bag limit change included
32	18	<b>Nehalem River and Bay:</b> <b>1. Mainstem upstream from jetty tips</b> [from Miami River-Foley Creek Road bridge including tidewater]	<b>Closed to salmon angling above Foss Road (CC) Bridge (river mile 15.1) entire year and closed to all angling</b> upstream from Hwy 26 Bridge located at Elsie Sept. 1-Oct. 31. Restricted to artificial flies and lures May 23-Aug. 31 above tidewater (at upstream end of Mohler Sand and Gravel). Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> upstream to Hwy 26 Bridge at Elsie all year. Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> upstream from Hwy 26 Bridge at Elsie Jan. 1-March 31, May 23-Aug. 31 and Nov. 1-Dec. 31. <b>Chinook Seasons and bag limits</b> <b>From April 1 through Sept. 15 the daily bag limit for adult non fin-clipped Chinook is 1 per day.</b> <b>From Sept. 16 through Dec. 31 the daily bag limit for adult non fin-clipped Chinook is 2 per day.</b> <b>No more than 10 non fin-clipped adult Chinook may be retained per year (in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams from Necanicum River to Nestucca River) of which no more than 5 may be retained from the Nehalem Basin during the period April 1 - Sept. 15.</b> [Open for spring <i>Chinook salmon</i> May 24-July 31.] [Open for fall <i>Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River) 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.] [Closed to angling for <i>Chinook salmon</i> above the railroad bridge (RM 22.3)]	Conservation: CMP Changes only: This proposal incorporates rule changes associated with the CMP and associated formatting changes to improve readability. All Nehalem Bay and mainstem rules have been reformatted and include summer/fall bag limit changes. The salmon closure area is now at Foss Rd Bridge which creates a substantial broodstock conservation area for summer and fall Chinook. Tributaries not listed are closed to provide additional conservation and consistency with other areas.

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			located above the mouth of the Salmonberry River all year].	
		2. North Fork upstream to 4 <sup>th</sup> bridge on Hamlet Road located near Milepost 6	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31.</p> <p><b>Chinook Seasons and bag limits</b></p> <p><b>From May 23 through Sept. 15 the daily bag limit for adult non fin-clipped Chinook is 1 per day.</b></p> <p><b>From Sept. 16 through Dec. 31 the daily bag limit for adult non fin-clipped Chinook is 2 per day.</b></p> <p><b>No more than 10 non fin-clipped adult Chinook may be retained per year (in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams from Necanicum to Nestucca River) of which no more than 5 may be retained from the Nehalem Basin during the period April 1 - Sept. 15.</b></p> <p>Open for <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> May 24-July 31.</p> <p>Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day; 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.</p> <p>Fishing is authorized during open fishing seasons from the Nehalem Hatchery Barrier Free Fishing Platform by those individuals who possess one of the following Department issued licenses: Blind Angler License; Wheelchair Angling License; Disabled [War] Veteran Angling License, or Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit. [A person may assist a Oregon Disabilities Hunting and Fishing Permit holder in angling, provided that conditions of the permit are followed (see page 7)].</p> <p>Closed to angling for <i>Chinook salmon</i> above Hwy 53 Bridge all year.</p> <p>Closed to all angling 200 feet upstream and 260 feet downstream (to marked deadline) at Fall Creek Falls adult fish trap (RM 16.5).</p>	
		<b>3. Tributaries and stream sections not listed</b>	<b>Closed</b>	
33	19	1. Nestucca River and Bay (Tillamook County): Mainstem upstream to Farmer Creek <b>First Bridge</b> and entire bay including upstream to Hwy 101 Bridge on Little Nestucca River	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</p> <p><b>Chinook Seasons and bag limits</b></p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> April 1-July 31.</p> <p>Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)</b> 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.</p> <p><b>Mainstem upstream of Cloverdale Bridge is closed to Chinook angling Aug. 1-Sept. 15.</b></p> <p>[Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> mouth to Cloverdale Bridge, including upstream to Hwy 101 Bridge on Little Nestucca River, Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p> <p>[Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Cloverdale Bridge to Farmer Creek Sept. 16-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook</i> per day, 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p>	<p>Conservation: CMP: Changes only: This proposal incorporates rule changes associated with the CMP and associated formatting changes to improve readability. Nestucca sections have been reformatted and include summer/fall bag limit changes. The salmon closure area is now at First Bridge which creates a substantial broodstock conservation area for fall Chinook. (Knutson)</p>

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			Use of bait allowed.	
		2. From <b>First Bridge</b> Farmer Creek to Moon Creek located at Blaine	Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year. Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> April 1-July 31.  <b>Closed to all salmon angling Aug. 1- Dec. 31.</b> Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Sept. 16-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams. Use of bait allowed.	
33	20	Nestucca River, Little (Tillamook County): 1. Hwy 101 bridge upstream to Forest Service bridge located at Dolph (for downstream of Hwy 101 see Nestucca River and Bay)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31.</li> <li>• Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> May 23-July 31.</li> <li>• Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River).</b></li> </ul> <p>[Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p>	Conservation: CMP: Fall Chinook bag limit changes are as identified in the CMP (Knutzen)
33	21	Salmon River (Lincoln Co.) Including tidewater upstream to bridge located between <b>Mileposts 11 and 12 confluence with Prairie Creek located west of Milepost 10</b>	<p>Open for <b>steelhead upstream to [bridge located between Milepost 11 and 12 on Hwy 18] confluence with Prairie Creek located west of Milepost 10 on Hwy 18 Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31. One non fin-clipped adult steelhead per day and 3 total non fin-clipped adult steelhead per year.</b></p> <p>Open for Chinook salmon upstream to bridge located near Milepost 9 on Hwy 18 Aug. 1-Dec.31. <b>2 adult Chinook per day, 10 non fin clipped adult Chinook per year.</b></p> <p>Gear Restrictions: From the [bridge located between Mileposts 11 and 12] <b>confluence with Prairie Creek located west of Milepost 10 on Hwy 18</b> to the boat ramp at Knight Park, from Sept. 1 –Dec. 31 angling is restricted to single point hook metal based lures, fly angling, or bobber only angling. Bobber angling gear must include a bobber and a leader no longer than 36 inches in length. Any weight (except the bobber) may be no more than 36 inches from the lowermost hook when suspended vertically. The leader below the bobber must remain suspended in the water column and not resting on the river bottom.</p>	Conservation: Under direction of the CMP, a targeted wild steelhead fishery is planned to be implemented starting in 2015. The Salmon River does not have a hatchery steelhead program and biological data indicates a conservative wild steelhead consumptive fishery could take place without significantly impacting the wild population. A long history of standard and random spawning surveys exists in the basin and these surveys will be continued to monitor for changes in the spawning wild steelhead population. In addition, catch card data will be closely monitored to assist in determining annual harvest levels. (Spangler/Wilson)

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34	22	<p>Siletz River and Bay</p> <p><u>1. Mainstem upstream to painted boulder located 900 feet downstream from Siletz Falls at river mile 64.5, including tidewater</u></p>	<p><u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year.</u></p> <p><u>Open for Chinook salmon April 1-July 31, upstream to deadline marker at the Moonshine Park boat ramp. 1 Chinook per day and 2 per year.</u></p>	<p>Low Chinook salmon populations from 2008-11 caused a conservation concern with harvest of fall Chinook in the Siletz Basin. The result of low Chinook abundance was to lower harvest deadlines from those in place prior to 2008 to protect spawners. The fall Chinook population in the Siletz basin has recovered since the low levels observed from 2008-11 and are considered healthy. Ongoing discussions with stakeholders suggest some life history variations exist in the Siletz Chinook populations so efforts were made to provide protection to the early run component. With direction from the CMP, deadlines and timing restrictions were developed to provide protection to the early life history component of the Siletz Chinook population. Proposed deadlines are more conservative than those prior to 2008 but will provide high quality harvest opportunities. (Spangler)</p>
		<p><u>2. Mainstem upstream to marker sign approximately 1200 feet upstream of the Ojalla Bridge.</u></p>	<p><u>Open for Chinook August 1 – Dec. 31.</u></p>	
		<p><u>3. Mainstem upstream to the Illahee boat ramp</u></p>	<p><u>Open for Chinook Oct. 7 – Dec. 31.</u></p>	
		<p><u>4. Mainstem Siletz upstream from 900 feet below Siletz Falls, North Fork Siletz, South Fork Siletz and all tributaries of these streams</u></p>	<p><u>Closed</u></p>	

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34	23	<p>Siuslaw River</p> <p>1. <u>Mainstem upstream to Whittaker Creek the confluence with Lake Cr. including tidewater.</u></p>	<p><u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31.</u></p> <p><u>Open for Chinook salmon Aug. 1-Dec. 31</u></p> <p><u>Open for other fish (see page 29) all year in tidewater.</u></p>	<p>Conservation: With direction from the CMP, the Lake Cr. stream segment from the Lake Cr. confluence upstream would remain closed for fall Chinook harvest. Low populations from 2008-12 created a conservation concern with Siuslaw fall Chinook so the Siuslaw River upstream of the Lake Cr. confluence was closed to Chinook harvest. Siuslaw fall Chinook populations have recovered through most of the Siuslaw Basin but the Siuslaw upstream of the Lake Cr. confluence remains at low population levels due to poor spawning habitat. Chinook populations within the Siuslaw Basin will continue to be monitored through standard spawning ground surveys and in the coming years with population estimates determined the PST crews (Spangler)</p>
		<p>2. <u>Mainstem upstream to Whittaker Cr.</u></p>	<p><u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan 1-March 31 and Dec. 1-31.</u></p> <p><u>Open to angling for adipose fin-clipped steelhead April 1-15 from Whittaker Creek boat launch to 200 yards below Wildcat Creek boat Launch</u></p>	
		<p>3. <u>Mainstem upstream from Whittaker Cr</u></p>	<p><u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan 1-March 31 and Dec. 1-31.</u></p> <p><u>Closed Oct. 1-Nov. 30</u></p>	
34	24	<p><u>Soapstone Creek (Clatsop Co.)</u></p> <p><u>From mouth upstream to the first bridge (Soapstone mainline road)</u></p>	<p><u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead January 1-March 31 and May 23-December 31</u></p>	<p>Soapstone Creek enters the North Fork Nehalem River just upstream and across from Nehalem Hatchery. Hatchery winter steelhead that stray upstream of the hatchery fish ladder often enter the creek. Allowing angling in this short section of stream (200-300 yards) will increase angler access to these fish and help reduce the number of hatchery fish</p>

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				<p>spawning. By zone rule this will allow anglers to retain hatchery coho in this portion of Soapstone Cr. also. Hatchery coho also bypass the hatchery and enter Soapstone Cr (Knutsen)</p>
34	25	<p>Three Rivers (Nestucca Basin, Tillamook/Yamhill Co)</p> <p>1. Mainstem</p>	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> April 1-<b>July 15</b> [June 30.]</p> <p>Closed from mouth upstream to hatchery weir <b>deadline July 16</b> [4] Sept. 30.</p> <p>Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Oct. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River).</b> [4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p> <p>Use of bait allowed.</p> <p>No angling from a floating device.</p> <p>Gear Restrictions: From May 1 through <b>July 15</b> [June 30], use of leaders longer than 36 inches is prohibited. Hooks are limited to no more than one single point, size 3/8-inch gap width (approximately size #2) or smaller hook.</p>	<p>New non-controversial angling opportunity. New gear regulations that were first implemented in 2012 have reduced snagging and other illegal activity during hatchery spring Chinook and summer steelhead fishery in Three Rivers during low water conditions in July. Sufficient hatchery spring chinook and summer steelhead remain available in the river to provide additional harvest opportunity while still meeting broodstock needs. This proposal extends angling opportunity for hatchery spring Chinook and summer steelhead on Three Rivers.</p> <p>Conservation: Fall Chinook bag limit changes are as identified in the CMP (Knutsen)</p>
35	26	<p>Tillamook Bay (Tillamook Co):</p> <p><b>1. From jetty tips to Hwy 101 Br. on Miami, Kilchis, Wilson and Trask rivers and to Burton Br. on Tillamook R. and any associated sloughs</b></p>	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> during any authorized ocean <i>Chinook salmon</i> seasons prior to August 1 in the Tillamook Spring Chinook Terminal Area (ocean) from the jetty tips seaward to the 15 fathom line offshore from Twin Rocks (45°35' 54" N. lat.) to Pyramid Rock (45°29' 48" N. lat.).</p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>spring Chinook salmon</i> April 1-July 31 in Tillamook Bay inside the jetty tips.</p> <p>Open for <i>fall Chinook salmon</i> Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River).</b> [4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p>	<p>Conservation: Area description has been altered to improve readability. Fall Chinook bag limit changes are as identified in the CMP (Knutsen)</p>
		<p><b>2. Tillamook Bay tributaries not listed</b></p>	<p><b>Closed</b></p>	

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35	27	<p>Tillamook River (Tillamook Co):</p> <p>[1. Tidewater]</p> <p><b>1. Upstream of Burton Br. (Downstream of Burton Br. See Tillamook Bay)</b></p>	<p><b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31.</b></p> <p><b>Open for adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook salmon May 23-July 31.</b></p> <p>[Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year.]</p> <p>[Open for adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook salmon April 1-July 31.]</p> <p><b>Open for fall Chinook salmon Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult Chinook salmon per day, no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)</b> [4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p>	<p>Conservation: Area description has been altered to improve readability.</p> <p>Fall Chinook bag limit changes are as identified in the CMP (Knutsen)</p>
		[2. Mainstem, upstream from tidewater	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31.]</p> <p>[Open for adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook salmon May 24-July 31].</p> <p>[Open for fall Chinook salmon Aug. 1-Dec. 31; 2 adult Chinook salmon per day, 4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams]</p>	
		<b>2. Tributaries</b> [3. Tributaries]	<b>Closed</b>	
35	28	<p>Trask River (Tillamook Co.)</p> <p>1. Mainstem <b>upstream of Hwy. 101 Bridge</b> up to North and South forks (at Trask County Park) including tidewater <b>(Downstream of Hwy. 101 Br. See Tillamook Bay)</b></p>	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year.</p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped spring Chinook salmon April 1-July 31.</p> <p>Open for fall Chinook salmon [Aug. 1] <b>Sept 16-Dec. 31</b>; [except closed for adult Chinook salmon upstream from Hwy 101 Bridge Aug. 1-Sept. 15. Two] 2 adult Chinook per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)</b> [4 in any 7 consecutive days, 10 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</p> <p>Use of bait allowed.</p> <p>Closed from marker below Dam Hole upstream to Blue Ridge Creek Sept. 1-Nov. 30. The Dam Hole is located near Milepost 7 on the Trask River Road.</p> <p>Closed from Gold Creek, at hatchery, 200 feet upstream and 900 feet downstream <b>July 16-Oct 15</b> [Nov. 30].</p> <p>Gear Restrictions:</p> <p>From Cedar Creek wooden boat slide (RM 10.9) downstream to Loren's Drift wooden boat slide...</p>	<p>New Opportunity: Provide anglers with additional opportunity to harvest returning hatchery coho and fall chinook in an area where these fish concentrate. Adult returns surplus to hatchery broodstock needs have occurred in virtually every year, thus this closure period can be reduced with little risk to hatchery production goals. The summer/early fall closure period is still necessary to protect holding spring chinook prior to collection by the hatchery in September, and early hatchery coho returning during low flows.</p> <p>Area Description has been reformatted for clarity.</p> <p>Conservation: Fall Chinook bag limit change is per that identified in the CMP</p>
35	29	<p>Wilson River (Tillamook Co):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mainstem <b>upstream of</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open for fall Chinook salmon <b>Sept 16-Dec. 31</b>; [except closed for Chinook salmon upstream from railroad bridge Aug. 1-Sept. 15.] 2 adult Chinook salmon per day, <b>no more than 10 non fin-clipped fall Chinook per</b></li> </ul>	<p>This proposed regulation eliminates the use of the Wilson River railroad bridge as the lower boundary for the</p>

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		<p><u>Hwy 101 Br. to South Fork [including tidewater] (Downstream of Hwy 101 Br. See Tillamook Bay)</u></p>	<p><u>season in aggregate with other north coast bays and streams (Necanicum to Nestucca River)[4 in any 7 consecutive days, 40 per season in aggregate from all Nehalem, Tillamook, and Nestucca bays and streams.]</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Closed to salmon angling above Jordan Creek (RM 21.9) from Aug 1- Dec. 31.</u></li> </ul>	<p>summer closure period used to protect spawning spring Chinook. Moving the boundary down to the Hwy 101 Bridge creates a consistent bay/river segregation point as the Miami, Kilchis, and Trask will also be using the same point of delineation (i.e. Hwy 101 Bridge). This will also help as we transition to wild coho fisheries in Tillamook Bay as the Hwy 101 bridges are the upstream boundary in those fisheries. This proposal will create no loss of opportunity because the shift is occurring in a little fished area that time of year.</p> <p>Conservation: The bag limit change is as proposed in the CMP. The fall salmon deadline change to Jordan Creek is as proposed in the CMP and creates additional conservation for fall Chinook broodstock. (Knutson)</p>
36	30	<p>Yaquina River</p> <p>1. From the ends of jetties upstream to head of tide</p>	<p>Open for adipose fin clipped steelhead all year.</p> <p>Open for Chinook salmon April 1-Dec. 31</p>	<p>Conservation: CMP, extensions to current fall Chinook deadlines are being proposed from the lower deadlines associated with low Chinook returns from 2008 - 11. The Yaquina fall Chinook population has recovered from previous lows and is healthy. Allowing some additional harvest opportunity will not greatly increase overall harvest of Yaquina fall Chinook. Monitoring fall Chinook returns will continue in the Yaquina system by conducting standard spawning ground surveys and by catch card estimates.(Spangler)</p>

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	2. From head of tide upstream to [first bridge located 2-1/2 miles upstream from Eddyville on Eddyville-Nashville Road] <b>Simpson Cr</b>	<b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31</b>  <b>Open for Chinook salmon Aug. 1 – Dec. 31</b>	
	<b>3. From Simpson Cr. upstream to first bridge located 2-1/2 miles upstream from Eddyville on Eddyville-Nashville Road</b>	<b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31</b>	

## Southwest Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Water	Special Regulations	Rationale
42	31	Chetco River (Curry Co.): Mainstem including tidewater	<p>Open for steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 24-Dec. 31</p> <p>Open for <i>Chinook salmon</i> upstream to Nook Creek Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31; <b>no more than 1 adult non-adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon per day, 5 per year.</b></p> <p>Non-adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be taken; 1 per day, 5 per year as part of daily or annual salmon/steelhead catch limit.</p> <p><b>Gear Restrictions:</b></p> <p><b>From the powerline crossing at RM 2.2 upstream to Nook Creek, from Sept. 1-Nov. 3 angling is restricted to fly angling and bobber angling only with one single point hook.</b></p> <p><b>Fly angling gear must include a strike indicator.</b></p> <p><b>Bobber angling gear must include a bobber and a leader no longer than 36 inches in length.</b></p> <p><b>Any weight (except the bobber or strike indicator) may be no more than 36 inches from the hook when suspended vertically.</b></p> <p><b>The leader below the bobber or strike indicator must remain suspended in the water column and not resting on the river bottom</b></p>	<p>Conservation: Regulation proposal developed with input from public workgroup as directed by Rogue Fall Chinook Conservation Plan (Management Action 3.8). Also proposed to be implemented as temporary rule in 2014. Gear restriction is intended to reduce snagging activity. Restricted bag intended to dampen harvest of wild ChF while encouraging harvest of hatchery-produced ChF (Confer)</p>
42	32	Coquille River:  1. Inland from the tips of the jetties upstream to the South Fork	<p>[Open for Chinook salmon and adipose fin-clipped steelhead entire year]</p> <p><b>Open for Chinook salmon July 1-Dec. 31.</b></p> <p><b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead the entire year</b></p>	<p>Conservation: CMP, The purpose of this proposed rule is to protect spring Chinook salmon from harvest. There is an extremely limited run of spring Chinook in the Coquille Basin, primarily migrating to</p>

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				the upper South Fork in the late spring to hold all summer in deep pools. Holding habitat and juvenile rearing habitat is very limited in the basin. In recent survey work, no spawners or redds were observed in 2009 and 2010, but redds and live fish (< 25) were observed in 2011. Fall Chinook harvest can start in late July. (Mike Gray)
42	33	Coos River –  2. South Fork from head of tide upstream to....	Open for <del>[Chinook salmon and]</del> adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1- April 30 and May 25- Dec. 31, <del>[except closed for salmon upstream from Seven Mile Bridge]</del> <b>Closed for salmon the entire year</b>	The purpose of the proposed rule is to protect spawning salmon once they leave tidewater. Spawning areas for salmon start right above the head of tide on the South Fork Coos River. Very little angling occurs for salmon above the head of tidewater, and anglers I have spoken with have no problem with this proposal (Mike Gray)
42	34	Elk River (Curry Co.): Mainstem upstream to Bald Mountain Creek, including tidewater	Open for trout May 23-Oct. 31, 2 per day, <del>[8-inch minimum length]</del> and open for adipose fin-clipped rainbow trout (half pounders), 2 per day, <del>[8-inch minimum length]</del> , Jan. 1-March 31 and Nov. 1-Dec 31. Open for Chinook salmon and steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31. No more than 1 adult non-adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 10 per year, in aggregate from waters of the <b>Floras/New River</b> , Sixes River, <b>Elk River</b> and Elk River Ocean Terminal Area. Non-adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be taken; 1 per day, 5 per year as part of daily or annual salmon/steelhead catch limit.	Conservation: CMP) Aggregate Chinook bag included in Coastal Multispecies Conservation Plan (Todd Confer)
43	35	Floras Creek and New River including tidewater (Curry Co.):	Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31. Open for <i>Chinook salmon</i> May 23-Dec. 31, upstream to bridge located at Milepost 1.5 on Floras Creek Road. <b>No more than 1 adult non-adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 10 per year, in aggregate from waters of the Elk River, Sixes River, Floras/New River, and Elk River Ocean Terminal Area.</b>	Conservation: CMP) Aggregate Chinook bag included in Coastal Multispecies Conservation Plan (Todd Confer)
45	36	Sixes River (Curry Co.): Mainstem upstream to South Fork, including tidewater	Open for trout May 23-Oct. 31, 2 per day, <del>[8-inch minimum length]</del> and open for adipose fin-clipped rainbow trout (half pounders), 2 per day, <del>[8-inch minimum length]</del> , Jan. 1-March 31 and Nov. 1-Dec 31. Open for steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31. Non-adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be taken; 1 per day, 5 per year as part of daily or annual salmon/steelhead catch limit. Open for Chinook salmon May 23-Dec. 31, upstream to Edson Creek.	Conservation: CMP) Aggregate Chinook bag included in Coastal Multispecies Conservation Plan (Todd Confer)

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			<b>No more than 1 adult non-adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon per day, 10 per year, in aggregate from waters of the Elk River, Sixes River, Floras/New River, and Elk River Ocean Terminal Area</b>	
46	37	Tioga Creek (Coos Co.)	Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 – April 30[and May 25 – Dec. 31]	Conservation: CMP, The purpose of this proposed rule is to protect spawning fall Chinook salmon from illegal angling. Tioga Creek is a major Chinook spawning tributary in the South Coos River Basin and steelhead do not enter Tioga Creek until January. Anglers have been observed “fishing for steelhead” in late November/December around spawning fall Chinook. By changing the dates open for steelhead angling there will be no open angling season from the end of October to the begin of January. (Mike Gray)
46	38	Umpqua River 1) Mainstem, including tidewater, from the tips of the jetties upstream to confluence with North and South Forks (includes Winchester Bay)	Open for Chinook salmon all year. (bullet 3).  <b>Open for Spring Chinook Feb 1 – July 31. 2 non fin-clipped chinook per day. 5 per year.</b> <b>Open for Fall Chinook Aug 1 – Dec 31.</b>	Conservation: CMP, regulation developed to comply with the CMP. Anglers can catch a 2 non finclipped spring Chinook a day with a maximum off 5 per year from the mainstem Umpqua River. Allows for new opportunity. (Jackson)
46	39	3. Smith River mainstem from mouth upstream to Spencer Creek and North Fork from mouth upstream to Johnson Creek, including tidewater	<del>Open for Chinook salmon and adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 24 – Dec. 31. (Bullet 4)</del> <b>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead Jan. 1 – March 31 and May 24 – Dec. 31</b> <b>Open for Fall Chinook Aug. 1 – Dec. 31</b>	Conservation: CMP, regulation developed to comply with the CMP. Due to lack of participation spring chinook fishery removed from regulations.(Jackson)
46	40	6. North Umpqua River from mouth upstream to fly area boundary above Rock Creek	<del>Open for Chinook salmon Jan. 1 – July 31. (Bullet 3)</del> <b>Open for Spring Chinook Feb. 1 – July 31., 2 non fin-clipped chinook per day. 10 per year</b>  <b>Note: A maximum of 10 non fin clipped spring chinook can be retained (in aggregate) from the North Umpqua River and the Mainstem Umpqua River, more than five may be taken from the Mainstem Umpqua.</b>	Conservation: CMP, anglers can catch 2 non finclipped chinook per day with a maximum of 10 per year from the North Umpqua. Anglers can harvest a total of 10 in aggregate from the North and mainstem Umpqua. (Jackson/Gauvin/Goodson)

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47	41	8. North Umpqua River tributaries from mouth upstream to Soda Springs Dam	[Open] <b>Catch and release</b> for trout in tributaries below fly area boundary, except Rock Creek May 23 – Sept. 15.	Conservation: CMP (Jackson)
47	42	10. South Umpqua River from mouth upstream to Jackson Creek Bridge	[Open] <b>Catch and release</b> for trout May 23 – Sept. 15	Conservation: CMP (Jackson)
47	43	12. South Umpqua River tributaries below Jackson Creek bridge	[Open] <b>Catch and release</b> for trout May 23 – Sept. 15	Conservation: CMP (Jackson)
47	44	13. Cow Creek mainstem (South Umpqua) from mouth upstream to Middle Creek Bridge	[Open] <b>Catch and release</b> for trout May 23 – Sept. 15	Conservation: CMP (Jackson)
47	45	14. Tributaries to Cow Creek and mainstem Cow Creek upstream from Middle Creek Bridge	[Open] <b>Catch and release</b> for trout May 23 – Sept. 15	Conservation: CMP (Jackson)
47	46	Winchuck River Mainstem up to Wheeler Creek, including tidewater (Curry Co.)	<p>Open for <del>[adipose fin-clipped]</del> steelhead Jan. 1-March 31 and May 23-Dec. 31. Non-adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be taken; 1 per day, 5 per year as part of daily or annual salmon/steelhead catch limit.</p> <p>Open for <i>Chinook salmon</i> May 23-Dec. 31; <b>no more than 1 adult non-adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> per day, 5 per year.</b></p> <p>No angling from a floating device.</p> <p><b><u>Gear Restrictions:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>From Sept. 1-Nov. 3 angling is restricted to fly angling and bobber angling only with one single point hook. Fly angling gear must include a strike indicator. Bobber angling gear must include a bobber and a leader no longer than 36 inches in length. Any weight (except the bobber or strike indicator) may be no more than 36 inches from the hook when suspended vertically. The leader below the bobber or strike indicator must remain suspended in the water column and not resting on the river bottom.</u></b></p>	Conservation: Regulation proposal developed with input from public workgroup as directed by Rogue Fall Chinook Conservation Plan (Management Action 3.8). Gear restriction is intended to reduce snagging activity. Restricted bag intended to dampen harvest of wild ChF while encouraging harvest of hatchery-produced ChF (Confer)

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### Willamette Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Species Name	Catch Limits	Length Limits and Other Specifications	Seasons	Rationale
50	47	Salmon and Steelhead <u>below Willamette Falls</u>	In the aggregate: 2 adult <i>salmon</i> or <i>steelhead</i> per day, 20 per year. 5 jacks per day, 2 daily jack limits in possession.	<p>Angling is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams. See exceptions under Special Regulations where use of bait is allowed.</p> <p>Harvest of non-adipose fin-clipped <i>salmon</i> or <i>steelhead</i> is prohibited in the Willamette Zone unless otherwise noted under Special Regulations.</p> <p>Daily limit for unmarked <i>steelhead</i> is 2 fish per day, and annual limit 20 per year.</p> <p>There is no annual limit on adipose fin-clipped <i>salmon</i> or adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> as long as the appropriate number of Hatchery Harvest Tags have been purchased to record the catch.</p> <p>[Note: Changes to salmon regulations for the Columbia River system including changes to the Willamette River system are printed in May and are available at ODFW offices or from license agents. Check for new regulations before you fish.]</p>	Closed in all waters unless noted by species under Special Regulations	This proposal would split the salmon and steelhead zone regulations effectively making the entire upper zone above Willamette Falls 3 steelhead plus 2 salmon (total of 5 in aggregate). The area below Willamette Falls it would remain unchanged. This split would make the regulations much less complicated by eliminating the "in the aggregate" language that is so confusing to anglers (meets criteria: <i>Simplifying rules/improve readability</i> ). I do not believe this will increase the number of fish harvested substantially, although given the harvest is basically on hatchery fish I don't see an increase in harvest as an issue. The South Willamette Watershed District and our local OSP officers are in favor of moving this forward (Ziller)
		<u>Salmon above Willamette Falls</u>	<u>2 adult salmon per day, 5 jacks per day, 2 daily jack limits in possession. Anglers may harvest a total of 20 salmon and steelhead</u>	<u>Angling is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams. See exceptions under Special Regulations where use of bait is allowed. Harvest of non-adipose fin-clipped salmon is prohibited in the Willamette Zone unless otherwise noted under Special Regulations. There is no annual limit on adipose fin-clipped salmon as long as the appropriate number of Hatchery Harvest Tags have been purchased to</u>	<u>Closed in all waters unless noted by species under Special Regulations</u>	

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			<u>per year.</u>	<u>record the catch.</u> [Note: Changes to salmon regulations for the Columbia River system including changes to the Willamette River system are printed in May and are available at ODFW offices or from license agents. Check for new regulations before you fish.]		
		<u>Steelhead above Willamette Falls</u>	<u>3 adult adipose fin-clipped steelhead per day</u> <u>Anglers may harvest a total of 20 salmon and steelhead per year.</u>	<u>Angling is restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams. See exceptions under Special Regulations where use of bait is allowed.</u> <u>Harvest of non-adipose fin-clipped steelhead is prohibited in the Willamette Zone unless otherwise noted under Special Regulations.</u> [There is no annual limit on adipose fin-clipped steelhead as long as the appropriate number of Hatchery Harvest Tags have been purchased to record the catch.]	<u>Closed in all waters unless noted by species under Special Regulations</u>	

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52	48	Bull Run River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i>, adipose fin-clipped <i>coho salmon</i>, and adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</li> <li>[Closed between markers 100 feet upstream from and 100 feet downstream from PGE powerhouse]. Closed to angling 75 feet downstream and 50 feet upstream of the ODFW weir and fish trap located in Dodge Park near the mouth of the Bull Run River.</li> </ul> <p>Use of bait allowed.</p>	New Opportunity: The closure 75 feet downstream and 50 feet upstream of the ODFW weir is intended to allow increased harvest opportunity for anglers over what our standard 200 feet up and downstream distance allows. There is a good fishing hole immediately below the weir and the vast majority of fish that will be present are hatchery fish from our Bull Run acclimation release. (Alsbury)
52	49	Cedar Creek (Sandy Basin)	<p>[Closed upstream to hatchery dam]</p> <p><u>Closed to all salmon and steelhead angling entire year.</u></p> <p><u>Open for trout angling only May 23-Oct. 31 upstream from ODFW markers located 100 feet upstream of the hatchery water intake dam.</u></p> <p><u>Closed to all angling from the mouth upstream to ODFW markers located 100 feet upstream of the hatchery water intake dam.</u></p>	Conservation: ODFW started passing unmarked coho and winter steelhead for the first time on over 50 years and are now beginning to see natural production in the form of outmigrating coho and steelhead smolts. We are recommending this stream be open to catch and release angling only at least until the anadromous fish populations

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				become established in Cedar Creek upstream of the hatchery. The closure downstream of the hatchery is necessary due to ongoing problems with enforcement of current closure. The opening of trout upstream may confuse anglers or provide them with an "excuse" for fishing in an area that is intended to be closed due to presence of salmon and steelhead during most of the year. (Alsbury)
52	50	Clackamas River (Clackamas Co.): 1. From mouth upstream to River Mill Dam	<p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>trout</i> May 23-Oct. 31, 2 <i>trout</i> per day, and no minimum length.</p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i>, adipose fin-clipped <i>coho salmon</i>, and adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</p> <p><b>Combined daily bag limit of (3) adipose fin-clipped salmon or adipose fin-clipped steelhead per day.</b></p> <p>Use of bait allowed.</p> <p>No angling from a floating device between River Mill Dam and ODFW markers located approximately 100 feet upstream of hatchery intake structure</p>	New Opportunity: Provide additional opportunity for anglers who could potentially catch and harvest up to three combined salmon and steelhead year round. Also, take advantage of opportunity to harvest hatchery fish that may otherwise stray from their point of release and possibly spawn in natural habitat. (Alsbury)
53	51	Cougar Reservoir	[Salmon less than 24 inches in length are considered trout]	Housekeeping: Although a significant fraction of out-migrating salmon of harvestable size likely won't survive passage through Cougar Dam, by eliminating this fishery, we are eliminating the possible perception of an allowable direct angler harvest on these ESA-listed fish (Ziller)
53	52	Erma Bell Lakes (Lane Co.) and tributaries	<p>Open May 23-Oct. 31.</p> <p>2 rainbow trout per day, 8 inch minimum length.</p> <p>No limit on size or number of brook trout taken.</p> <p><b>Use of bait allowed.</b></p>	Simplification: Erma Bell Lakes and tributaries are listed together as a single item in the regulations. There is no specific reference to gear use in the listing. Zone Regulations allow bait use in the lakes, but the tributaries default to flies and lures, making this regulation more confusing than necessary.

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				(Ziller)
53	53	Fall Creek Reservoir	<del>Salmon less than 24 inches in length are considered trout</del>	Housecleaning: In recent years, Fall Creek Reservoir has been drawn down each winter to improve survival of downstream migrating salmon. Although most salmon likely won't reach harvestable size until after the peak of angling effort has occurred, by eliminating this fishery, we are eliminating the possible perception of an allowable direct angler harvest on these ESA-listed fish (Ziller)
53	54	<del>Fish Creek (Clackamas River)</del>	<del>• Closed.</del>	Simplification: Fish Creek will revert to Zone regulations. (Alsbury)
54	55	Marion Lake	<del>[Outlet closed between markers and bridge]</del>	New Opportunity/Simplification: A campsite that used to exist along the Marion Lake outlet has been removed. delete special regulations (Kelley)
55	56	McKenzie River, Section 8. Tamolitch Falls to Clear Lake (See Carmen Reservoir, page 52)	Open for trout April 26-Oct. 31, 5[ <del>rainbow</del> ] trout per day,[ <del>8" minimum length</del> ].	Inadvertent Restriction: By specifying rainbow trout, we inadvertently removed the ability of anglers to harvest cutthroat trout (Ziller)
56	57	Sandy River 1. Mainstem [and tributaries] upstream to ODFW markers at the mouth of the Salmon River	<del>[Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year.]</del> <del>[Open for adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon Feb. 1-Oct. 31].</del> <del>[Open for adipose fin-clipped coho salmon all year]</del> <b>Open for adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon, adipose fin-clipped coho salmon and adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year</b> <b>Combined daily bag limit of (3) adipose fin-clipped salmon or adipose fin-clipped steelhead per day.</b> Closed to sturgeon angling including catch and release[Jan 1-April 30 and December 1-31]- <b>year round.</b>	Conservation: Continued snagging of sturgeon in the shallow waters of the Sandy river (Tpr Chris Boeholt)  The closure of retention for adipose fin-clipped Chinook salmon from November 1-January 31 is not necessary due to the fact that ongoing fisheries for coho and winter steelhead occur at the same time and place. There is no conservation risk to the natural population of fall Chinook that is more abundant now than in the past when this rule may have

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				been necessary. The proposed change will provide consistency with current and past regulations for the Bull Run River (a tributary of the Sandy River). (Alsbury)
	58	2. Mainstem and tributaries upstream from ODFW markers at the mouth of Salmon River, including the Salmon River	Open for <i>trout</i> above Final Falls on the Salmon River May 24-Oct. 31, 2 <i>trout</i> per day, <del>8-inch minimum length</del> . Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures. <del>with a single point hook no larger than 1/2 inch gap (size 1) and multiple point hook no larger than 3/8 inch gap (size 4).</del>	The hook size regulation was in relation to the allowance on harvest of unmarked summer steelhead upstream of the mouth of the Salmon River. (Alsbury)
57	59	Santiam River (Marion Co.): 1. Mainstem	<b>1 additional adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be retained per day.</b> Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> Jan. 1-Aug. 15 and Nov. 1-Dec. 31 <b>Jan. 1-Aug. 31 and Oct 15-Dec. 31.</b> Open for <i>trout</i> May 23-Oct. 31, [2] <b>5</b> adipose fin-clipped <i>trout</i> per day, no minimum length.	Simplification / New Opportunity. Based on run counts at ODFW traps, there are sufficient fin-clipped adult steelhead in the river to support this additional angling opportunity. Increasing the limit will provide added harvest without negatively impacting the resource, and will reduce potential interaction with native winter steelhead.  Based on spawning surveys and discussions with ODFW's Research Lab, native Chinook salmon do not begin spawning in the Santiam basin until after August 31 <sup>st</sup> . To further simplify regulation the season will open on Oct 15. Chinook and Coho season will now occur during the same time frame where applicable, simplifying regulations. (Kelley/Gauvin) Catch of fin-clipped rainbow trout in the Santiam system is quite high. In a recent creel fin-clipped rainbow trout were overwhelmingly the most common fish caught, however few people were keeping them. Conversations with anglers led us to conclude that anglers weren't aware they should keep them

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				because they thought they were summer steelhead smolts. Encourage the removal of these hatchery trout from the lower Santiam system to reduce impacts on native fish (Kelley)
57	60	3. North Fork up to Big Cliff Dam the markers at Packsaddle Park (located about 200 feet above the boat ramp).	<p><b>1 additional adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be retained per day.</b></p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> Jan. 1-Aug. 31 and Oct 15-Dec. 31</p> <p>Open for <i>trout</i> May XX-Oct. 31, [2] <b>5</b> adipose fin-clipped <i>trout</i> per day, no minimum length</p> <p>Coho Salmon Seasons:</p> <p>Stayton-Scio Bridge in Stayton up to Big-Cliff-Dam markers at Packsaddle Park Open for <i>coho salmon</i> Jan. 1-Aug. 31 and Oct 15-Dec. 31</p> <p>• <b>Closed:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. From the ODFW markers located [near [at foot bridge upstream 200 to the falls[ located upstream from the highway bridge] in Mill City.</li> <li>2. From the markers at Packsaddle Park to Big Cliff Dam [(located about 200 feet above the boat ramp) to 400 feet upstream of Minto dam (Minto is near Niagara)]; and</li> <li>3. Within Stayton Power Canal</li> </ol>	Currently, native steelhead and chinook salmon that come into the Minto Facility are placed above Minto Dam to spawn since safe passage does not exist for native fish past Detroit and Big Cliff Dams. In order to protect fish placed above Minto from angling pressure we propose to close the area between Minto Dam and Big Cliff dam to all angling. While there are some anglers who fish in this reach, in general the majority of anglers prefer fishing below Minto where they have the opportunity to catch and keep hatchery steelhead and salmon. This proposal provides additional protection to native species while impacting a small number of anglers. This proposal has been discussed with a few angling groups and guides and no objections or concerns were raised. Some clarifications have also been made to the "Closed" section and it has been moved to precede the Coho section (Kelley).
57	61	5. South Fork (S. Santiam River) to Foster Dam	<p><b>1 additional adipose fin-clipped steelhead may be retained per day.</b></p> <p>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>Chinook salmon</i> Jan. 1 Aug. 15 and Nov. 1 Dec. 31 <b>Jan. 1-Aug. 31 and Oct 15-Dec. 31.</b></p> <p>Open for <i>trout</i> May 23-Oct. 31, [2] <b>5</b> adipose fin-clipped <i>trout</i> per day, no minimum length</p> <p>• <b>Closed: from Foster Dam downstream about ¼ mile to ODFW markers</b></p> <p>Coho Salmon Seasons:</p>	

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			Grant Street Bridge in Lebanon up to Foster Dam: Open for <i>coho salmon</i> <b>Jan. 1-Aug. 31 and Oct 15-Dec. 31</b>	
58	62	Springfield Mill Race (Lane Co.)	Trout Regulations: [Open all year; 5 adipose fin clipped trout per day, no minimum length. Non adipose fin clipped trout must be released unharmed] <b>See Willamette River, Section 7. Middle Fork upstream to Dexter Dam</b>	Simplification: We plan to manage this waterbody, the same as the Willamette River, Section 7. Middle Fork upstream to Dexter Dam, allowing us to simplify the regulations (Ziller)
58	63	Trail Bridge Reservoir	Only adipose fin-clipped [rainbow] trout may be taken, 5 per day, no minimum length	Clarification: (Ziller)
59	64	Willamette River Section 5. Mouth of McKenzie River upstream to Coast Fork and tributaries (see separate entries for Alton Baker Canoe Canal <b>and Springfield Mill Race</b> )		Inadvertent restriction; direct anglers to specific regulations for the Mill Race. The Springfield Mill Race entry will direct anglers to Willamette River Section 7. Middle Fork upstream to Dexter Dam. (Ziller)
59	65	Willamette River 7. Middle Fork upstream to Dexter Dam ( <b>including Springfield Mill Race</b> )	2. No angling from the north shore, from a floating device (US Army Corps of Engineers Boat Restricted Zone), or while wading. <b>Angling gear may be cast within 200 feet of fish ladder at base of Dexter Dam.</b>	Clarifications: The Springfield Mill Race is now under the same management scenario as the Middle Fork Willamette River upstream to Dexter Dam, and originates from the Middle Fork below Dexter. It makes sense to combine regulations for these waterbodies. We will maintain a line item for the Springfield Mill Race directing anglers to this section of the Willamette River in the regulations. Although ODFW and OSP have both agreed to allow anglers to fish right up to the fish ladder from the banks below Dexter Dam, there is no specific rule to that effect. This proposal would clarify the existing regulation enforcement. The overwhelming majority of the fish are of hatchery origin spring Chinook and we would like to encourage a high harvest rate on these fish. (Ziller)

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59	66	Willamette River Section 10. Middle Fork upstream from Hills Creek Reservoir	Open for trout April 26-Oct. 31, catch and release only <b>of non adipose fin clipped trout, anglers may harvest 5 adipose fin-clipped trout per day.</b> <b>Note: this area not stocked, clipped trout originate from Hills Creek Reservoir.</b>	Adipose fin-clipped trout originating from Hills Creek Reservoir may enter the lower reach of Middle Fork Willamette River above the reservoir. These fish should be available for harvest if they are caught by anglers in the river. The "this area not stocked" wording is used elsewhere in the Willamette Zone where hatchery fish are not stocked, but are known to move and be available to anglers. (Ziller)
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### Central Zone Regulations

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65	67	Billy Chinook, Lake	One bull trout per day and 1 bull trout in possession; 24 inch minimum length <b>Anglers may continue to target other species once a bull trout has been harvested</b> <del>{Unlawful to hold live bull trout}</del> Bull trout must be released <b>immediately</b> unharmed unless kept in the daily catch limit.	Clarification: There continues to be confusion among anglers regarding their ability to continue to target other species once a bull trout has been harvested. This restriction was lifted in 2009, however, many anglers are not aware of it. (Brett Hodgson)
65	68	Crane Prairie Reservoir	<del>.[ The 5 trout daily limit may include only 1 non-fin-clipped rainbow trout and only 1 rainbow trout over 16 inches]</del> <b>Trout daily catch limit may only include one rainbow trout over 16 inches and only one non adipose fin clipped rainbow trout.</b>	Clarification: Anglers are complaining that the current language is confusing and it is negatively affecting compliance and ability to meet management goals. (Brett Hodgson)
66	69	Deschutes River	<del>{Chinook salmon angling closed entire river. Emergency regulations opening Chinook angling may be adopted after the printing of these regulations}.</del> <b>The Deschutes River from the mouth at the I-84 bridge upstream to Sherars Falls is open for chinook salmon from August 1 to October 31.</b> <b>The catch limit for Chinook salmon is two adults, and five jacks per day.</b>	Non-controversial opportunities: Due to the strong returns since the early 2000's, fall Chinook escapement to the Deschutes River has far exceeded escapement and management goals

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				necessary to implement sport fisheries described in the Lower Deschutes River Fish Management Plan. In fact, the number of fall Chinook escaping to the Deschutes River for the past 3 run years, have only been exceeded once in the 37 year period of record (Rod French)
66	70	East Lake	<p>Catch and release on non-adipose fin clipped rainbow trout</p> <p><b>5 adipose fin clipped rainbow trout per day.</b></p> <p><b>Catch and release on non-adipose fin clipped rainbow trout.</b></p>	Clarification: Anglers are complaining that the current language is confusing and it is negatively affecting compliance and ability to meet management goals.(Brett Hodgson)
67	71	Jefferson County Pond	<p>Restricted to juvenile anglers age 17 years and younger or holders of one of the Disabled Permits</p> <p>Catch limit 2 fish per day [ 8-inch minimum length for trout ]</p>	Clarification/simplification: removes redundant language (Brett Hodgson)
65-67	72	<b>Metolius River Tributaries</b>	<p><del>{Candle Creek closed, Canyon Creek closed, Jack Creek closed, Jefferson Creek closed}</del></p> <p><b>Metolius River tributaries (excluding Lake Creek and Spring Creek) closed</b></p>	Simplification: Eliminates duplicate entries. (Brett Hodgson)
67	73	Metolius River	<p>Catch and release for all fish, including bull trout</p> <p><del>{All bull trout must be released unharmed}</del></p>	Housekeeping Corrections: Current regulation is repetitive. Housecleaning reduces unnecessary verbiage (Brett Hodgson)
66 and 68	74	<b>Odell Lake tributaries</b>	<p><del>{Crystal Creek closed, Odell Lake tributaries closed, Trapper Creek closed}</del></p> <p><b>Odell Lake tributaries (including Trapper and Crystal Creeks) - Closed</b></p>	Simplification: Eliminates duplicate entries. (Brett Hodgson)
68	75	Paulina Lake	<p>Catch and release on non-adipose fin clipped rainbow trout</p> <p><b>5 adipose fin clipped rainbow trout per day</b></p> <p><b>Catch and release on non-adipose fin clipped rainbow trout</b></p>	Clarification: Anglers are complaining that the current language is confusing and it is negatively affecting compliance and ability to meet management goals.(Brett Hodgson)
68	76	Prineville Youth Pond	<p>Restricted to juvenile anglers 17 years and younger</p> <p>Limit 2 fish per day[ 8-inch minimum length for trout ]</p>	Clarification/simplification: removes redundant language (Brett Hodgson)
68	77	Tumalo Creek	<p><del>{Open all year}</del></p> <p><b>See zone regulations</b></p>	Simplification: putting under zone regulations for consistency. (Brett Hodgson)
68	78	Wickiup Reservoir	<p><del>{Deschutes River Arm, upstream of ODFW marker located near West South Twin boat ramp, restricted to artificial flies and lures only with a 2 trout per day}</del></p>	Clarification: Provides clearer time frame of when more

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			<p>bag limit from July 15-Aug 31.  <del>Closed upstream of ODFW marker September 1—October 31</del>  <u>Deschutes River Arm, upstream of ODFW marker located near West South Twin boat ramp.</u>  <u>Restricted to artificial flies and lures only</u>  <u>2 trout per day catch limit from Aug 1 -Aug 31. Kokanee included in trout catch limit.</u>  <u>Closed upstream of ODFW marker in Deschutes River Arm September 1 - October 31.</u></p>	conservative regulation goes into effect. Prevents excessive harvest of pre spawning kokanee (Brett Hodgson)
68	79	Willow Creek	<p><del>Catch and release for trout and restricted to artificial flies and lures within National Grasslands</del>  <u>See Zone Regulations</u></p>	Simplification: putting under zone regulations for consistency. (Brett Hodgson)

## Northeast Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Water	Special Regulations	Rationale
73	80	Aldrich Ponds (Grant Co)	<p><del>{Open May 24—Oct. 31}</del>  <u>Open April 15 – Nov. 30.</u>                      2 trout per day</p>	<p>Non-Controversial Opportunity:                      Allowing fishing at the ponds during the legal access period will not harm the fishery since a 1.5 mile hike will still be required to reach the ponds and the daily limit of 2 fish will remain. The change will add an additional 9 weeks of angler opportunity. (Jeff Neal)</p>
73	81	John Day River (Numerous Eastern Oregon Counties):	<p>1. John Day Arm and River from main line railroad bridge near mouth upstream to Tumwater Falls  <del>Open for adipose fin clipped steelhead Jan. 1 March 31 and June 16 Dec. 31.</del>  <del>Open for Warmwater Game Fish all year except as noted below.</del>  <del>Closed from ODFW marker 1/4 mile downstream from Tumwater Falls to 200 feet above the falls, which are located near the head of John Day Arm, except open for species other than salmon and steelhead April 1-Aug. 31</del>  <u>Open for adipose fin-clipped steelhead all year.</u>  <u>Open for warmwater game fish all year.</u>  <u>Open for trout May 23 to Dec. 31.</u>  <u>Closed from ODFW marker 1/4-mile downstream from Tumwater Falls to 200 feet above the falls, which are located near the head of John Day Arm</u></p>	<p>Simplification: Proposed rules will eliminate:                      Warmwater fishing allowance within Tumwater Falls closure area April 1 to Aug. 31 due to regulation simplification                      Special bass length regulation from Service Creek to Tumwater Falls due to not achieving the desired increase in bass size since enacted in 2002.                      Take 3 regulation river</p>

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			<p>2. Mainstem from Tumwater Falls:</p> <p>a. Upstream past Cottonwood Bridge (River mile 39.5) to Hwy 207 Bridge at Service Creek.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▲ <i>Smallmouth bass</i>, 5 per day, no more than 1 over 16 inches.</li> <li>▲ <i>Smallmouth bass</i> between 12 and 16 inches must be released unharmed.</li> <li>▲ Open for adipose fin clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</li> </ul> <p>b. Hwy 207 Bridge at Service Creek to North Fork.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▲ <i>Smallmouth bass</i>, 5 per day, no more than 3 over 15 inches.</li> <li>▲ Open for adipose fin clipped <i>steelhead</i> all year.</li> </ul> <p>c. From North Fork upstream to Indian Creek.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▲ Open for adipose fin clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-April 15 and Sept. 1-Dec. 31</li> </ul> <p>2. Mainstem from North Fork upstream to Indian Creek:</p> <p><b>Open for adipose fin-clipped <i>steelhead</i> Jan. 1-April 15 and Sept. 1-Dec. 31.</b></p> <p><b>Open for warmwater game fish Jan. 1-April 15 and May 23-Dec. 31</b></p>	<p>sections and combine them into one.</p> <p>Proposed rules will retain: protection for wild steelhead adults and kelts; protection for chinook salmon in summer holding areas; protection for steelhead; and salmon smolts during spring out-migration. (Jeff Neal)</p>
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### Southeast Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Species Name	Catch Limits	Length Limits and Other Specifications	Seasons	Rationale
81	82	Trout	<p><del>Lakes: 5 per day, 2 daily limits in possession.</del></p> <p><del>Streams: 2 per day, 2 daily limits in possession.</del></p> <p><b>2 daily limits in possession</b></p> <p><b>Lakes:</b></p> <p><b>5 per day.</b></p> <p><b>25 Kokanee per day in addition to other trout species catch limit.</b></p> <p><b>Streams:</b></p> <p><b>Trout species per day:</b></p>	<p><del>Length Limits and Other Specifications</del></p> <p>8-inch minimum length.</p> <p>Only 1 <i>trout</i> over 20 inches in length may be taken per day.</p> <p>No limit on size or number of <i>brook trout</i> taken from lakes and streams, except lakes in the Winema National Forest and streams in the Pine Creek and Powder River systems where the limit is 5 <i>trout</i> per day.</p> <p>Closed to angling for <i>bull trout</i>.</p> <p><i>Kokanee</i> included in <i>trout</i> limits and seasons unless noted under Special Regulations.</p> <p>Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams. See exceptions</p>	<p><del>Season</del></p> <p>Open all year, except Klamath River Basin streams not listed are open April 26-Oct. 31.</p> <p>Season</p> <p>Lakes: Open all year</p> <p>Streams: Open all year</p> <p>Klamath Basin Streams: April 26-Oct. 31 (See special regulations for exceptions)</p>	<p>Our goal is to simplify rules, improve readability, remove unnecessary redundancies, and reduce printing costs.</p> <p><b>Lakes</b></p> <p><i>Kokanee</i> -Most of our kokanee lakes are managed with a bonus bag and other lakes with kokanee would not be affected by a bonus bag regulation.</p> <p>Adding the bonus bag to the zone regulation remove three unnecessary special regulations.</p>

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			<p><b>Bull trout angling CLOSED</b></p> <p><b>2 rainbow trout</b></p> <p><b>2 brown trout</b></p> <p><b>Unlimited brook trout (Exception: 5 trout in the Pine Creek and Powder River systems.)</b></p>	<p>under Special Regulations where use of bait is allowed.]</p> <p><b>Length Limits and Other Specifications</b></p> <p><b>8 inch minimum length.</b></p> <p><b>No size limit on kokanee.</b></p> <p><b>Only 1 trout over 20 inches in length may be taken per day.</b></p> <p><b>Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams.</b></p> <p><b>See special regulations for streams where use of bait is allowed.</b></p>		<p><b>Streams</b></p> <p><i>Brown trout</i></p> <p>All <u>eleven</u> Klamath Basin streams occupied by brown trout have the same special regulation; two brown trout per day are allowed in addition to other trout limits.</p> <p>The Owyhee is the only other brown trout fishery and it has its own special regulation for brown trout.</p> <p><i>Other trout</i></p> <p>It makes more sense to list species by species limits because there is no limit on brook trout unless otherwise noted, and two brown trout are allowed in addition to other trout limits.</p> <p>This means anglers are already allowed to keep 2 rainbow trout, 2 brown trout and unlimited brook trout unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>Adding specific trout limits to the zone regulation removes eleven special regulations and simplifies the regulation book (Harrington).</p>
81	83	Warmwater Game Fish: Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	<p>[5 per day, 2 daily limits in possession, except no limits in Klamath Basin, Lost River, Warner Basin Lakes, Abert Lake Basin (includes Summer Lake</p> <p>Sumner Lake</p>	<p>[No more than 3 over 15 inches in length, except no length limit in Klamath Basin, Lost River, Warner Basin Lakes, Abert Lake Basin (includes Summer Lake and Chewaucan Basins), and Thompson Valley Reservoir.</p> <p>—Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams. See exceptions under Special Regulations where use of bait is allowed.]</p> <p><b>No more than 3 over 15 inches in length.</b></p> <p><b>No length limit in southwest corner of</b></p>	<p>Lakes: Open all year.</p> <p>Streams: Open during trout season.</p>	<p><b>Daily Limits (ALL SPECIES)</b></p> <p>Anglers are currently allowed to possess <u>two daily limits</u> of any species in the southeast zone.</p> <p>Listing the regulation under lakes, streams, and other subsequent species is unnecessarily</p>

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		<p>and Chewaucan basins) and Thompson Valley Reservoir.]</p> <p><u>2 daily limits in possession</u></p> <p><u>- 5 per day</u></p> <p><u>- No limit in southwest corner of southeast zone (See map on p. 80).</u></p> <p><u>- See special regulations for exceptions</u></p>	<p><u>southeast zone (See map on p. 80).</u></p> <p><u>Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures in streams.</u></p> <p><u>See special regulations for exceptions to length limits and streams where bait is allowed.</u></p>	<p>redundant and confusing.</p> <p><i>"No limit" area description</i></p> <p>The description of the areas included in the "no limit" zone is overly complicated for many anglers.</p> <p>The map on page 80 encompasses all lakes without limits in a way most anglers can understand.</p> <p>Special regulations clarify exceptions. (Harrington)</p>
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82	84	<u>Annie Creek (tributary to Wood River)</u>	[Catch and release for redband trout. Two brown trout per day. No limit on brook trout. Flies and lures only]. <u>Bait allowed</u>	Non-controversial opportunity, conservation benefit. Bull trout and redband trout historically occurred in Annie Creek. Currently, only nonnative brook trout and brown trout are found in Annie Creek. Harvest of brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will increase the likelihood of recolonization of this stream by redband trout. Annie Creek is currently listed as bull trout critical habitat. (Harrington)
82	85	Blitzen River Basin (Malheur Lakes Basin, Harney Co.): 1. Malheur Refuge waters downstream from Bridge Creek.	<del>[Closed]</del> <u>Closed, except from Sodhouse Lane to the bridge on the Boat Landing Road for August 1 to September 15</u>	The Malheur National Wildlife Refuge has adopted rules as part of the USFWS Comprehensive Collaborative Planning process that allows angling on the lower Blitzen River. The purpose of the fishery is to allow anglers to target carp on the refuge. (Shannon Hum)

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82	86	<u>Callahan Creek (Tributary to Long Creek (Sycan))</u>	[Two trout per day flies and lures only] <u>Bait allowed</u>	Non-controversial opportunity , conservation benefit Redband trout historically occurred in Callahan Creek. Today only brook trout occur in the stream. Harvest of brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will aid in the recolonization of this stream by redband trout (Harrington)
82	87	Crooked Creek	Open April 26 Oct. 31. Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i> . <del>2 brown trout per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del> Closed from the springs located at Klamath Hatchery downstream 1,000 ft. to a posted fence crossing.	Simplification. Remove redundancy of zone opening date. Remove special brown trout regulation assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulation. (Harrington)
82	88	Crystal Creek	Open April 26 Oct. 31. One <i>trout</i> per day, use of bait allowed.	Simplification. Remove redundancy of zone opening date (Harrington)
82	89	<u>Corral Creek (Tributary to SF Sprague River.</u>	[Two trout per day flies and lures only] <u>Bait allowed</u>	Non-controversial opportunity , conservation benefit Bull trout and redband trout historically occurred in Corral Creek. Today only brook trout with a few brown trout occur in Corral Creek. Harvest of brown trout and brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will aid in the recolonization of this stream by redband trout. Corral Creek is currently listed as bull trout critical habitat (Harrington)
82	90	Deming Creek	Zone Regulations with late May opener	This rule was adopted to protect redband that migrate from Campbell Reservoir to Deming Creek through a private ditch system. Much of the water right is being transferred to instream eliminating the migratory route. The ditch is also being screened,

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				preventing the entrainment of fish and necessary protection in the regulations. (Harrington)
83	91	Fort Creek	Open April 26-Oct. 31. Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i> . <del>2 brown trout per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del>	Simplification. Remove redundancy of zone opening date. Remove special brown trout regulation assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulation. (Harrington)
83	92	Fourmile Creek (Agency Lake Basin, Klamath Co.)	{Open all year.} {One <i>rainbow trout</i> per day, use of bait allowed.} {Additional 2 <i>brown trout</i> per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of <i>brook trout</i> .} <b>Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i>.</b> <b>2 <i>brown trout</i> per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of <i>brook trout</i>.</b>	Simplification. (Harrington)
83	93	Fourmile Lake	<del>25 kokanee per day (no size limits) in addition to other trout species catch limit.</del>	Simplification. Remove special regulation for kokanee assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulation. (Harrington)
83	94	<b>Jackson Creek (Tributary to Upper Williamson)</b>	<del>Two trout per day flies and lures only</del> <b>Bait allowed</b>	Non-controversial opportunity, conservation benefit Redband trout historically occurred in Jackson Creek. Today only brook trout occur in the stream. Harvest of brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will aid in the recolonization of this stream by redband trout (Harrington)
83	95	Krumbo Reservoir	<del>Open April 26-Oct 31</del> <b>Krumbo Reservoir (Harney Co.) – Open year around. Closed to ice-fishing and during adverse conditions by Malheur National Wildlife Refuge (541 493-2612).</b>	The Malheur National Wildlife Refuge opened Krumbo Reservoir year-around to increase recreational opportunity on the refuge. However, their adopted rules state there is no ice-fishing and they will limit access if conditions are hazardous by closing and locking the gate on the access road (Shannon Hurn)

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83	96	Lake of the Woods	<p><del>[25 kokanee per day (no size limits) in addition to other trout species catch limit.]</del></p> <p>No more than 1 bass over 15 inches, as part of daily limit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Angling allowed 24 hours per day.</li> </ul>	<p>Simplification.</p> <p>Remove special regulation for kokanee assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulation. (Harrington)</p>
84	97	Miller Lake	<p><del>[25 kokanee per day (no size limits) in addition to other trout species catch limit.]</del></p> <p>Angling allowed 24 hours per day.</p>	<p>Simplification.</p> <p>Remove special regulation for kokanee assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulations. (Harrington)</p>
85	98	Sprague River	<p><del>[1. Mouth Upstream to Saddle Mtn Pitt Road Bridge</del></p> <p><del>Open May 24 Oct 31.</del></p> <p><del>• 1 rainbow trout per day, 8 inch minimum length.</del></p> <p><del>• An additional 2 brown trout are allowed per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del></p> <p><del>• Flies and Lures only]</del></p> <p><del>[2.] Saddle Mountain Pitt Road Bridge</del></p> <p><del>[(USFS Road 5850) upstream to</del></p> <p><del>Godowa Springs Road Bridge</del></p> <p><del>• Open April 27 Oct 31.</del></p> <p><del>• 2 rainbow trout per day, 8 inch minimum length.</del></p> <p><del>• An additional 2 brown trout are allowed per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.]</del></p> <p><del>• Use of bait allowed.</del></p> <p><del>[3. Mainstem upstream from Godowa</del></p> <p><del>Springe Road Bridge</del></p> <p><del>• Open April 27 Oct 31.</del></p> <p><del>• 2 rainbow trout per day, 8 inch minimum length.</del></p> <p><del>• Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures only.</del></p> <p><del>• An additional 2 brown trout are allowed per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del></p> <p><del>4. Tributaries of the Sprague River</del></p> <p><del>including the Syean and North and</del></p> <p><del>South Forks</del></p> <p><del>• Open April 27 Oct 31.</del></p> <p><del>• 2 rainbow trout per day, 8 inch minimum length.</del></p> <p><del>• Angling restricted to artificial flies and lures only.</del></p> <p><del>• An additional 2 brown trout are allowed per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit</del></p>	<p>Simplification. Removes the Special Regulations for the Sprague river to Zone regulations.</p>

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			<p>on-size or number of <i>brook trout</i>.]</p> <p><b>Saddle Mountain Pitt Road Bridge</b></p> <p><b>Bait allowed.</b></p>	
85	99	<b>NF Sprague River and Tributaries upstream of 3372 road</b>	<p>[Two redband trout per day flies and lures only]</p> <p>[No bag or length limit on brook trout]</p> <p>[Additional Two brown trout per day]</p> <p><b>Bait allowed upstream of 3372 road crossing.</b></p>	<p>Non-controversial opportunity, conservation benefit Bull trout and redband trout historically occurred in NF Sprague River and tributaries above Lee Thomas Crossing. Today only brook trout with a few brown trout occur in this area. Harvest of brown trout and brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will aid in the recolonization of this stream by redband trout. NF Sprague River and tributaries is currently listed as bull trout critical habitat. (Harrington)</p>
84	100	Sevenmile Creek and tributaries	<p>[Open April 26-Oct. 31].</p> <p>Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i>.</p> <p>[2 <i>brown trout</i> per day April 26-Oct. 31, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of <i>brook trout</i>]</p>	<p>Simplification.</p> <p>Remove redundancy of zone opening date.</p> <p>Remove special brown trout regulation assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulations (Harrington)</p>
84	101	<b>Sevenmile Creek and tributaries above Nicholson Road</b>	<p>[Flies and Lures Only]</p> <p>Two brown trout per day</p> <p>No length or bag limit on brook trout</p> <p>Catch and release for redband trout]</p> <p><b>Bait allowed above Nicholson road.</b></p>	<p>Sevenmile Creek is dominated by brook trout and brown trout. Only brook trout and to a lesser extent brown trout occur above Nicholson Road. Allowing harvest of brown trout and brook trout could improve conditions for redband trout. The redband trout population in the Sevenmile Creek system is near extirpation. Bull trout were extirpated in the 1970's and Sevenmile Creek is listed as critical habitat for bull trout (Harrington).</p>
85	102	Silver Creek and tributaries (Malheur Lakes Basin,	<p><b>Upstream of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge boundary</b></p> <p>5 <i>trout</i> per day, use of bait allowed</p>	<p>Housekeeping Correction: Malheur National Wildlife</p>

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		Crook/Harney Co.)		Refuge does not allow access on their property in the Silver Creek area. (Shannon Hum)
85	103	<b>South Fork Sycan River (Klamath/Lake Co)</b>	<del>Two trout per day flies and lures only</del> <b>Bait allowed.</b>	Non-controversial opportunity Bull trout and redband trout historically occurred in SF Sycan. Today only brook trout occur in the stream. Harvest of brook trout will improve conditions for redband trout downstream and will increase the likely hood of recolonization of this stream by redband trout. SF Sycan River is currently listed as bull trout critical habitat (Harrington)
85-86	104	Williamson River	<p>Section 1. Open May 23-Oct. 31. One <i>trout</i> per day.</p> <p>Section 2. Open May 23-Oct. 31. One <i>trout</i> per day May 23-July 31. Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i> Aug. 1-Oct. 31. <del>2 brown trout per day May 25 Oct. 31, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del></p> <p>No angling from motor-propelled craft while motor is operating.</p> <p>Section 3. Open May 23-Oct. 31. One <i>trout</i> per day May 23-July 31. Catch and release for <i>rainbow trout</i> Aug. 1-Oct. 31. <del>2 brown trout per day May 25 Oct. 31, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del></p> <p>No angling from a floating device.</p> <p>Section 4. <del>Open April 26 Oct. 31.</del> <del>2 trout per day, except no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del></p> <p>No angling from a floating device.</p>	Simplifies Regulations: Removes special regulations for brown trout assuming it is adopted under Zone Regulation. (Harrington)
86	105	Wood River	<del>Open April 26 Oct. 31.</del> <b>Catch and release only for rainbow trout and bull trout.</b> <del>2 brown trout per day, only 1 over 20 inches; no limit on size or number of brook trout.</del>	Simplification. Remove redundancy of zone opening date. Remove special brown trout regulation (Harrington)

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### Snake River Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Water	Special Regulations	Rationale
91	106	Hells Canyon Reservoir	<b>Three adipose fin-clipped trout over 20 inches in length may be taken per day. [Sept. 1 – Dec 31]</b>	Inadvertent Restriction: This regulation was first implemented in 2013 to give anglers increased opportunity to harvest adult steelhead outplanted into Hells Canyon Reservoir by Idaho Power Company, specifically to provide harvest opportunity. Idaho Power outplants steelhead outside of the time frame of Sept. 1 – Dec. 1. Native trout are protected due to the adipose fin-clip requirement. (Tim Bailey)

### Columbia River Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Water	Special Regulations	Rationale
99	107	4. Bonneville Dam upstream to the Oregon/Washington border located upstream of McNary Dam	Sturgeon Regulations (continued): <b>3. Angling for sturgeon is prohibited from The Dalles Dam downstream 1.8 miles to a line from the east (upstream) dock at the Port of The Dalles boat ramp straight across to a marker on the Washington shore during May 1-July 31</b> 4. Angling for <i>sturgeon</i> is prohibited from the west end of the grain silo at Rufus upstream to John Day Dam May 1-July 31; 5. Angling for <i>sturgeon</i> is prohibited from Highway 82 Bridge (Highway 395) near Umatilla upstream to McNary Dam May 1-July 31	This regulation will replace a temporary rule adopted in March 2014 to provide protection to spawning sturgeon in the tailrace of The Dalles Dam. (John North)

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### Marine Zone Regulations

2015 Regs Page	Proposal Number	Species Name	Catch Limits	Harvest Methods and Other Specifications	Seasons	Rationale
100	108	Rockfish ("sea bass," "snapper"), Greenling ("sea trout"), Pacific Cod, Cabezon, Skates, Spiny Dogfish, Leopard Shark, Soupfin Shark and other marine species not listed on pages 100-101	7 fish, only one of which may be a cabezon.  Retention of yellow eye and canary rockfish is prohibited.	22 inch minimum length for <i>lingcod</i> . <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>16 inch minimum length for <i>cabezon</i>.</li> <li>10 inch minimum length for <i>greenling</i>.</li> </ul> • May be taken by angling, hand, bow and arrow, spear, gaff hook, snag hook and <i>herring</i> jigs. • When <i>Pacific halibut</i> are onboard the fishing vessel.  See <b>Special Regulations</b> for possession restrictions.	Waters open all year, 24 hours per day, unless noted under Special Regulations. In addition, ocean closed April 1-Sept. 30 outside of the 30-fathom curve (defined by coordinates). <b>Cabezon retention prohibited Jan 1-June 30.</b>	Inadvertent restriction: the 2014 regulations had the incorrect season listing for cabezon. This correction allows for more opportunity. (Patrick Mirick)
102	109	Clams: ...		• A digger must have <b>their</b> own container; dig own clams, and may not possess more than one limit of clams while in clamming....		Improves Readability: Steve Rumrill

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103	110	<b>WA/OR Border to Humbug Mountain</b>	During days open to the Oregon Central Coast "all-depth" sport halibut fishery, when <i>Pacific halibut</i> are onboard the vessel, no species from the groundfish group may be taken and retained, possessed or landed, except <i>sablefish</i> and <i>Pacific cod</i> .	New Non-Controversial angling opportunities. Angler from the WA/OR border to Cape Falcon can now keep groundfish with halibut in another fishery. (Patrick Mirick)