



Salmon Fishing Update

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About the Proposed Chinook Salmon Fishing Restrictions:

On April 11th the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) recommended that commercial and recreational ocean fishing for Chinook salmon three miles off the Oregon coast from Cape Falcon to the Oregon/California border, be closed to protect wild Chinook salmon returning to the Sacramento River in California. The PFMC expects their recommendation to be adopted on or before May 1st. The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission will determine the fishing regulations from the shore to three miles offshore on April 18th, 2008. Until these recommendations are approved current fishing regulations remain in place. To view these regulations please visit: <http://www.dfw.state.or.us/resources/fishing/>

How Will The Restriction Affect Sport Fishing in Oregon?

The proposed regulations will limit ocean fishing for Chinook and Coho salmon. Anglers may still fish for salmon in Oregon's bays and rivers, *including spring Chinook, and summer and winter steelhead*. At the same time, other ocean fishing opportunities abound. The Oregon Coast offers excellent fishing for Coho salmon, halibut, rockfish and tuna, while inland rivers and lakes offer anglers opportunities for trout and warm water species such as bass, crappie and bluegill.

Yes, You Can Fish in Oregon! Learn More...

To find local guides and fishing opportunities, and for the most recent information about fishing permissions and restrictions pertaining to the area of Oregon you plan to visit, please contact:

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

ODFW Office Number (toll free within Oregon) 1-800-720-ODFW

www.dfw.state.or.us – includes a weekly fishing report for waters throughout the state

Oregon Coast Visitors Association 888-628-2101

www.visittheoregoncoast.com

Oregon Guides & Packers Association 1-800-747-9552

www.ogpa.org

Oregon State Marine Board (Guides & Packers) 503-378-8587

www.boatoregon.com/OSMB/BoatReg/guides.shtml

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2008 Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations and information may also be obtained at ODFW Headquarters at 3406 Cherry Ave NE, Salem, OR 97303, or online at www.dfw.state.or.us.

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