Help Keep Non-Selective Gillnets Off the Lower Columbia River!

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Please act today: members of the Oregon and Washington fish and wildlife commissions are pushing to return gillnets to the lower Columbia River.

Pro-gillnet commissioners on the Oregon Commission are in a rush to restore year-round mainstem gillnetting before their terms end this spring. Our salmon runs are in decline and yet they want to restore mainstem gillnetting and limit recreational fisheries to make way for non-selective, indiscriminate gillnets!

Meanwhile, ODFW is proposing to make the \$9.75 Columbia River Endorsement fee permanent-this fee was supposed to help fund the gillnet reforms.

Here's what you can do:

Leave a message for Governor Kate Brown at 503.378.4582. Ask her to restore balance to the Oregon Commission and block efforts to return gillnets to the mainstem through her upcoming appointments to the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission.



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Help support a statewide ban of non-tribal gillnets in Washington. Call your Legislators Now!

A majority of Washington State Senators (27 of 49) have co-sponsored Senate Bill 5617, which would ban non-tribal gillnets statewide, including the Columbia River, and provides a voluntary buyback of gillnet licenses. This is a huge development and sends a strong message to the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission, who are currently considering returning gillnets to the Columbia River.

Here's what you can do to help:

- 1) **Call the Washington Legislative Hotline** at 800.562.6000 and ask to leave your legislators a message in support of Senate Bill 5617.
- 2) **Send your Senator a personalized email** thanking them for co-sponsoring the bill or asking for their support if they aren't a co-sponsor. We've included the list of Senators and you can look up your Senator at: app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder

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