



# Nez Perce Tribe Fish and Wildlife Commission

## 2020 Fishing Season Regulation for the Snake River Basin & Subbasin

Pursuant to the Nez Perce Tribal Code Section 3-1-11, the Nez Perce Tribe Fish and Wildlife Commission has the authority to promulgate annual and seasonal hunting and fishing regulations and prescribe the manner and methods which may be used in taking fish and wildlife. Pursuant to that authority, the Nez Perce Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted the following fishing regulation for the Nez Perce Tribe.

### **Nez Perce Tribe** **Fishing Season Regulation #NPTFWC 20-160** **Fishing Season Closure of the Clearwater River** **for Spring Chinook Treaty Fisheries** **Effective 8PM (PT), June 9**

**Fishery Area Closure for All areas of the Clearwater River including the following:**

**All of the Clearwater River Subbasin** includes the entire reaches of the following rivers:

**Mainstem Clearwater** Confluence with the Snake River upstream to the confluence with the Lochsa & Selway rivers

**North Fork Clearwater** Confluence with the mainstem Clearwater River upstream to the Dworshak Dam.

**South Fork Clearwater** the entire South Fork Clearwater River drainage and its tributaries.

**Clear Creek** the entire reach of the Clear Creek.

**Lolo Creek** the entire reach of Lolo Creek.

**Justification** Nez Perce Tribe has achieved its harvest goal for hatchery spring Chinook in this area. It is important that we achieve the hatchery broodstock for the spring Chinook hatchery programs in the Clearwater River subbasin.

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All other areas not specifically mentioned above or that are not closed by regulation are currently "open until closed" per Tribal Code §3-1-12(a) Seasons Open Until Closed.

**Selway River will remain open for spring Chinook treaty fisheries.**

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All sections of the Nez Perce Tribal Code and other Nez Perce regulations applicable to this fishery remain in effect. Not complying with these regulations may be cause for civil or criminal penalties per the Tribal Code or NPT fishing regulations. Catch only what you can properly handle. Please help elders and others that cannot fish for themselves.

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If you have fishing enforcement concerns, please contact the Nez Perce Tribe Department of Fisheries Resources Management Enforcement dispatch at 208-843-7143 or toll free 1-877-790-3474.

For additional information on Nez Perce Tribal regulations, please contact the Nez Perce Tribe Fish and Wildlife Commission at 208- 843-9376.

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