#### COHO SALMON FISHERY PROPOSAL JULY 14, 2021

## I. SEASONS – COHO SALMON

### A. OPEN DATES AND BOUNDARIES

Fishing for Coho Salmon in the following areas will open September 1.

- **Clearwater River** from the mouth upstream to the confluence of the South Fork and Middle Fork Clearwater rivers.
- North Fork Clearwater River from the mouth upstream to Dworshak Dam.
- Middle Fork Clearwater River from the mouth upstream to Clear Creek.
- South Fork Clearwater River from the mouth upstream to the confluence of Red and American rivers.

#### **B.** CLOSING DATE

All areas open to fishing for Coho Salmon will close at midnight December 31, 2021, or may close earlier by emergency order of the Director.

### C. FISHING DAYS

Fishing for Coho Salmon will be open 7 days/week.

### II. LIMITS

### A. DAILY AND POSSESSION LIMITS

- **Daily** = Two (2) Adult Coho Salmon, no limit on Jack Coho Salmon
- **Possession** = Six (6) Adult Coho Salmon

### **B.** SEASON LIMIT

There is no Season Limit on Coho Salmon.

### C. DEFINITIONS PERTAINING TO LIMITS

- <u>Adult</u> Coho Salmon are defined as Coho Salmon greater than or equal to 20 inches in length.
- Jack Coho Salmon are defined as Coho Salmon less than 20 inches in length.

### **D.** OTHER RULES

- Anglers may harvest Coho Salmon with or without an adipose fin.
- Anglers must cease fishing for all Coho Salmon (including Jacks) once they have retained their daily or possession limit of Adult Coho Salmon.

# **III.** OTHER RULES

- A. Fishing is prohibited in the Clearwater River between posted boundaries about 100 yards upstream and downstream from the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Ladder and extending into the river channel 50 yards. Fishing from the shoreline or wading along the perimeter of Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is prohibited. Fishing from motorized watercraft is prohibited from the Clearwater River Bridge at Orofino upstream to the confluence to the mouth of Clear Creek from September 1 December 31.
- **B.** Fishing from the shoreline or wading along the perimeter of Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is prohibited. Fishing from any watercraft or wading is prohibited between the posted line about 150 yards upstream from the mouth of the North Fork Clearwater River and the Ahsahka Highway 7 Bridge. When fishing from the Ahsahka Highway 7 Bridge, it is unlawful to take or attempt to take any fish downstream of the railroad bridge. Fishing from the railroad bridge is prohibited.
- **C.** Only single-pointed barbless hooks are allowed when fishing for steelhead or salmon in the South Fork Clearwater River.