



ODFW 2026 Ocean Salmon Regulations

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Annual PFMC Process for Salmon Fisheries Management



Objectives

- Robust public process
- Conservation and sustainability of all salmon stocks
- Remain within all federal ESA standards

Timelines

- March
 - Develop and adopt three season alternatives
 - Public hearings in WA, OR, and CA
- April
 - Develop and adopt final set of tribal, commercial, and recreational seasons
 - Recommend final seasons to NMFS for adoption into federal regulation (effective May 16)
 - Commission adopts state water regulations





North of Cape Falcon

Columbia R. Area

Leadbetter Pt.

Ilwaco, WA

Astoria
Cape Falcon

Garibaldi

Pacific City

Depoe Bay

Newport

South of Cape Falcon

Central Oregon Coast

Florence

Winchester Bay

Charleston
Bandon

Port Orford

Humbug Mt.

Gold Beach

OR-KMZ

Brookings

Heceta Bank Line



Fishery management criteria are established to ensure harvest doesn't impede recovery of weak stocks

Most Constraining Management Criteria	2026 Criteria	2026 Projected
SRKW Prey Abundance	≥ 623,000	954,900
Lower Columbia River Natural Tule (ESA) total exploitation rate	≤ 41%	41%
Klamath River Fall minimum nat. area adult escapement	≥ 30,143	30,144
Klamath River Fall Age-4 ocean harvest rate	≤ 8.6%	8.6%
Sacramento River Fall spawner escapement	≥ 188,300	211,143
Lower Columbia River Natural coho (ESA) total exploitation rate	≤ 23%	23%
S. Oregon/N. California Natural (ESA) exploitation rates		
- Trinity River, CA	≤ 16%	15.7%
- Klamath River, CA	≤ 15%	8.3%
- Rogue River, OR	≤ 15%	7.3%
- Other	≤ 15%	2.5%



2026 Ocean Commercial Season

Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain	
Apr 14-June 30	All salmon except coho
Sep 1-30*	All salmon; NMS quota of 7,000 coho
Oct 1-31	All salmon except coho
Cape Falcon to Heceta Bank Line	
Jul 16-31	All salmon except coho
Humbug Mountain to OR/CA Border	
Apr 14-30; May 16-Jun 17	All salmon except coho

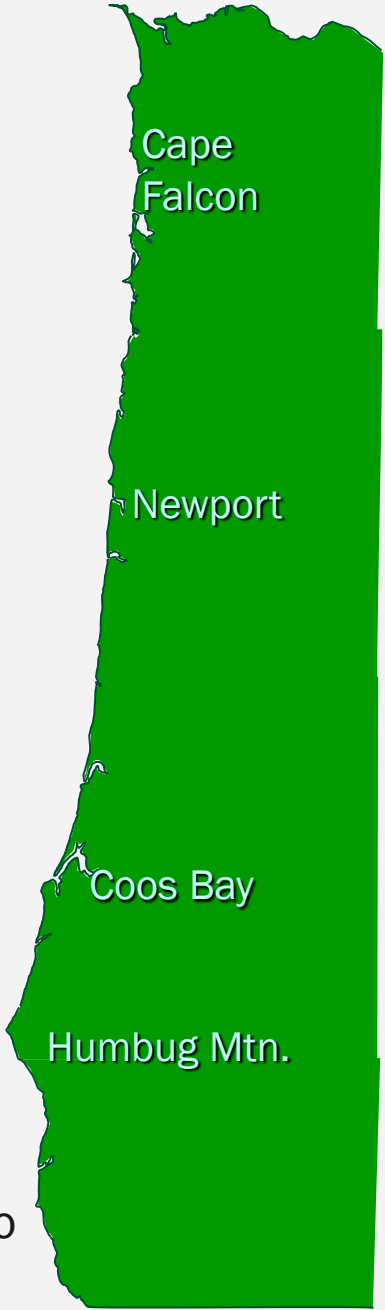


* If non-mark-select coho quota is met, the season will remain open for all salmon except coho



2026 Ocean Recreational Season

Cape Falcon to OR/CA Border	
Mar 15-Jun 5	All salmon except coho; 2 salmon/day
Jun 6-Aug 23*	All salmon except unmarked coho; Quota of 47,600 marked coho; 2 salmon/day
Aug 24-31	All salmon except coho
Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain	
Sep 1-30**	All salmon; 2 salmon/day Quota of 27,500 coho;
Oct 1-31	All salmon except coho; 2 salmon/day



* If mark-select coho quota is met, the season will remain open for all salmon except coho
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Staff Recommendation

Adopt the 2026 federal regulations, as developed by the Pacific Fisheries Management Council during their April meeting, for ocean recreational and commercial salmon fisheries in State waters as proposed by staff and as reflected in the draft OARs shown in Attachment 3.





Questions?



Thank you!



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