

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife set the Pacific lamprey harvest season through July 31 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays through Mondays. Harvesting is not allowed Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

Harvesting is confined to the east side of Willamette Falls and does not include the horseshoe area at the peak of the falls. In addition, harvesters should avoid the installed lamprey ramps that help lamprey make it over the falls.

Gear is restricted to hand or hand-powered tools only and a permit is required. Tribal members are allowed to use their Tribal enrollment card in lieu of a state-issued permit.

Tribal members can harvest for distribution to other Tribal members, but it must be done without charge. Commercial sale of lamprey and the use of lamprey as bait is prohibited.

Catches must be recorded on an ODFW harvest card available from the Tribe's Natural Resources Department, 47010 S.W. Hebo Road, or by contacting the Clackamas ODFW office at 17330 S.E. Evelyn St. Harvest cards must be returned by Aug. 31.

Due to the water being unseasonably high, fishers should check the forecast before attempting to harvest lamprey.

Tribal members planning to harvest lamprey should contact the Natural Resources Department for a packet at 503-879-2424. ■