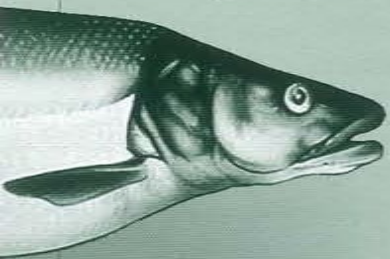


## The 2010 Pikeminnow Sport Reward Season

The 2010 season for the sport reward fishery will start at all stations on May 1, 2010. The season will end Sept. 30, 2010.

For every qualifying northern pikeminnow 9 inches or longer returned to a registration station, anglers will receive \$4-\$8. The more fish an angler catches, the more they're worth: the first 100 in one season are worth \$4 each; after 100, they're worth \$5 each; and after 400 they're worth \$8 each. Specially tagged northern pikeminnow will be worth \$500 this year.

**Check the Pikeminnow Hotline by calling (800) 858-9015** this spring for the latest information on registration stations, how and where to catch northern pikeminnow, program updates, angler clinics, or special events.



Or visit us on the web at:  
[www.pikeminnow.org](http://www.pikeminnow.org)

## Pikeminnow Sport Reward Fishery Rules and Regulations

Anglers participating in the Pikeminnow Sport Reward Fishery must adhere to each of the following rules:

- 1) Present a valid fishing license and picture identification upon request by any authorized program representative.
- 2) Adhere to all applicable state fishing regulations for the area in which you fish. Contact your local state fishery agency for license requirements and current fishing regulations.
- 3) Register in person at one of the designated registration stations each day prior to fishing. Anglers may register during times when stations are unstaffed by using the station's self-registration box. Anglers may not register at multiple stations on the same day.
- 4) Provide true and accurate information to authorized program representatives regarding the taking, possession, delivery, transportation, sale, transfer, or any other use of fish caught while participating in the Pikeminnow Sport Reward Fishery Program.
- 5) Comply with the directions of authorized program personnel related to the collection of sampling data and angler participation in the Sport Reward Fishery.
- 6) Mail in all reward vouchers within 30 days of the end of the each year's fishery. To obtain payment, vouchers must be received no later than Nov. 15 for each year's fishery. Any issues preventing payment (missing information, voiding of voucher for program violations, etc.) must be resolved by Nov. 15 for each year's fishery or the voucher becomes null and void.
- 7) Fish must have been caught in the mainstem Columbia River from the mouth up to the restricted zone below Priest Rapids Dam, or in the Snake River from the mouth up to the restricted zone below Hell's Canyon Dam. The "mainstem" includes backwaters, sloughs, and up tributaries 400 feet from the tributary mouths. "Tributary mouth" is as defined by state fishing regulations.
- 8) Fish must be returned to the same registration station where the angler registered. They must be returned on the same calendar day stamped on the angler's registration form before that station closes for that day, and they must have been caught subsequent to that day's registration time.
- 9) Fish must have a total length greater than or equal to 9 inches. Fish less than 9 inches total length are not eligible for reward payment.
- 10) All fish to be redeemed for reward payment must have been personally caught solely by the angler submitting them for reward payment.
- 11) Fish must be alive or in fresh condition. Fish that are or were frozen, or that are in otherwise poor condition, will not be accepted for payment. Technicians have the authority to determine whether northern pikeminnow submitted meet these standards.
- 12) Violation of any of the above rules may result in disqualification from the Pikeminnow Sport Reward Fishery Program.

## For More Information:

To help rebuild the region's salmon and steelhead runs, call the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's Sport Reward Hot Line:

### PIKEMINNOW HOTLINE

(800) 858-9015 (Toll Free)  
(360) 906-6707 (In Vancouver, WA)

Visit our website:

[www.pikeminnow.org](http://www.pikeminnow.org)

The Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission is administering the overall Northern Pikeminnow Management Program. For information on reward vouchers you have submitted, call:

### REWARD VOUCHER INFORMATION

(800) 769-9362 (Toll Free)  
(503) 595-3297 (In Portland, OR)

To learn more about BPA fish projects, contact BPA's Fish and Wildlife Department:

Bonneville Power Administration  
KEWR-4, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, OR 97208  
(503) 230-4981.

You may also call BPA's Public Information Center at:

(800) 622-4520.

For additional pikeminnow brochures, call:

(800) 858-9015 (Toll Free)  
(360) 906-6707 (In Vancouver, WA)

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# Catch Some Cash!



with the  
**Pikeminnow Sport Reward Program**

May 1 - Sept. 30, 2010





## How to Save a Salmon (and make money doing it)

The Pikeminnow Sport Reward Fishery Program, funded by the Bonneville Power Administration, pays anglers for each northern pikeminnow that they catch that is 9 inches or larger. Rewards range from \$4 to \$8 per fish, and specially tagged fish are worth \$500.

**You can help save salmon and get paid to do it by going fishing!**

The program operates from May 1 to Sept. 30, 2010 in the lower Columbia River (mouth to Priest Rapids Dam) and the Snake River (mouth to Hells Canyon Dam).

Northern pikeminnow eat millions of salmon and steel-

head juveniles each year in the Columbia and Snake River systems. The goal of the program is not to eliminate northern pikeminnow, but rather to reduce the average size and curtail the number of these predators can greatly increase the salmon and steelhead juveniles making it out to sea.

BPA funds the program to partially mitigate for the impact of the federal Columbia River hydroelectric system on salmon. Results indicate the program is successful. Since 1990, over 3.5 million northern pikeminnow have been removed by the Sport Reward Fishery. Predation on juvenile salmonids has been cut by an estimated 37percent.

See the Sport Reward Fishery Program rules in this brochure for exactly how to participate.



### How to Register and Check In Fish:

#### Registration:

- Anglers must register each day before they fish. (See complete official rules on back page of this brochure.)
- Anglers may only register at one station each calendar day and must re-register for each day they plan to fish.
- Registration forms are available 24 hours a day at a registration site from a technician during posted operation hours or after-hours from the station nightbox.
- Registration forms from a nightbox are date-stamped to submit fish caught the following day.
- Fish caught while registered at a station must be returned to that station, during its hours of operation, on the date stamped on the registration form.
- When an angler submits fish for payment, he or she may also register for the next calendar day. Again, all anglers must register for each day they plan to fish.

#### Checking in Fish:

- Anglers may only submit fish for payment at the station where they registered for that day.
- Anglers may only submit fish for payment during that station's posted hours of operation.
- Vouchers will be issued by the technician for qualifying northern pikeminnow 9 inches or larger.
- Anglers who do not register at a station prior to fishing may not submit fish for rewards.

#### Mailing a Voucher:

- Anglers must sign and fully complete their address, personal information, and Social Security number on their voucher, and mail it to the reward payment address. Pre-addressed envelopes are available.
- Vouchers must be received no later than Nov. 15, 2010 to receive a reward payment.
- Disputed vouchers, or a voucher-receipt issued by a technician, must have the dispute resolved by the program biologist no later than Nov. 15, 2010, or the voucher or receipt becomes null and void.

- No vouchers from a prior year will be paid after the Nov. 15 deadline for the year it was issued.
- Checks will be mailed in a timely manner once vouchers have been received.

#### Mailing Special Tag Vouchers:

- A special tag voucher will be issued for any qualifying pikeminnow that displays an external spaghetti tag marked by the sport reward program.
- All registration and check-in rules above also apply to specially tagged fish.
- Anglers must mail special tag vouchers to the address printed on the tag voucher in the envelope provided, along with the external tag.
- Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will authenticate all tags submitted for payment before forwarding them on to the pikeminnow payment office.
- Qualifying specially tagged fish are paid at \$500 each.