

The Boldt Decision Teaching Resources

The Boldt decision came down in 1974 and affirmed the Tribal right to fish in Usual and Accustomed Areas. If you haven't been teaching all students in Washington State about the Boldt Decision in the last 50 years, it's time to start! When students don't learn about this critically important issue, they grow up to be very confused about how fisheries are regulated in the state and can become upset when they see Tribal fishers practicing their reserved treaty rights.

Elementary

[Being Citizens of Washington](#): STI Grades 3-5

Middle

[Boldt I and Boldt II](#) WA State History

[Fish Wars and Boldt Video Lessons](#) by Seattle Public Schools

High

[Fish Wars](#) Native Knowledge 360

[The Boldt Decision](#)

[Foundational Documents Boldt Decisions WA State History](#)

College

[Evergreen Native Case Studies Co-Management](#)

[Introduction to USA vs. WA by UW Tribal Law](#)

Videos:

[Boldt Decision Explained](#) 3-min explanation, Northwest Treaty Tribes, 2023

[As Long As The River Runs](#): 60-minute film, Survival of the American Indian Association, 1970 (pre-Boldt)

[C-SPAN Cities Tour: Olympia and the Boldt Decision](#) 10-minute news piece, 2014

[Back to the River](#) 37-minute film by Salmon Defense, 2012

Fish Wars, 75-min, Northwest Indian Fish Commission, release date Feb 7, 2024

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