WAC 220-120-020 Public records officer. (1) The department's public records officer:

(a) Receives all public records requests made to the department;

(b) Provides assistance to persons seeking department public records;

(c) Oversees the department's compliance with the Public Records Act, including locating, processing, and releasing records responsive to public records requests; and

(d) Prevents the fulfillment of public records requests from causing excessive interference with essential functions of the department.

(2) The public records officer can be contacted at:

Public Records Officer Department of Fish and Wildlife Office Location: Natural Resources Building, 5th Floor 1111 Washington Street S.E. Olympia, WA 98501-1091 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 43146 Olympia, WA 98504-3146 email address: PublicDisclosureRequest@dfw.wa.gov

Current contact information is also available at the department's website at http://wdfw.wa.gov.

(3) The public records officer may designate one or more department staff to carry out the responsibilities set forth in subsection (1) of this section; and other staff may process public records requests. Therefore, use of the term public records officer in this chapter may include the public records officer's designee(s) and/or any other staff assisting in processing public records requests, where indicated by context.

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