WAC 220-630-030 Description of regional fisheries enhancement groups. The following geographical areas define regions in which groups have been formed, and established as provided for in this chapter, such groups are eligible to make funding requests through the department. There shall be one group per region.

Region 1: Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association

Includes most of WRIA 1: The major watershed is the Nooksack River. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located from the Canada-U.S. border south to Oyster Creek in Samish Bay and also watersheds flowing from Whatcom County to the Fraser River.

Region 2: Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 2, 3 and 4, and parts of 1 and 6: The major watersheds are the Skagit and Samish rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located from Samish Bay, south of Oyster Creek, south to and including, Penn Cove on Whidbey Island, out to and including, the San Juan Islands.

Region 3: Stilly-Snohomish Fisheries Enhancement Task Force

Includes WRIAs 5 and 7 and parts of 6 and 8: The major watersheds are the Stillaguamish and Snohomish rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located south of Penn Cove on Whidbey Island, including Camano Island; the mainland south to the Edmonds ferry dock.

Region 4: Mid-Sound Salmon Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 8 and 9 and part of 15: The major watersheds are those entering Lake Washington and the Green/Duwamish River. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located from the Edmonds ferry dock south to Brown's Point, across to the north side of Gig Harbor, and north around Foulweather Bluff down to the Hood Canal Bridge.

Region 5: South Puget Sound Salmon Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 10, 11, 12 and 13 and parts of 14 and 15: The major watersheds are the Puyallup, Nisqually, and Deschutes rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds draining into Puget Sound south of a line between Brown's Point and the north side of the entrance to Gig Harbor.

Region 6: Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group

Includes WRIA 16 and parts of 14, 15 and 17: Major watersheds include the Skokomish, Hamma Hamma, Duckabush, Dosewallips, and Quilcene rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located in Hood Canal south of the Hood Canal Bridge.

Region 7: North Olympic Salmon Coalition

Includes WRIAs 18 and 19 and part of 17: Major watersheds include the Dungeness, Elwha, Lyre, Pysht, Clallam, and Hoko rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds located north and west of the Hood Canal Bridge, to Cape Flattery.

Region 8: Pacific Coast Salmon Coalition

Includes WRIAs 20 and 21: Major watersheds include the Sooes, Ozette, Quillayute, Hoh, Queets, and Quinault rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat and other watersheds entering directly into the Pacific Ocean between Cape Flattery and the north side of Grays Harbor.

Region 9: Chehalis Basin Fisheries Task Force

Includes WRIAs 22 and 23: Major watersheds include the Humptulips, Hoquiam, Wishkah, Johns and Chehalis rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat within, and other watersheds flowing into Grays Harbor.

Region 10: Willapa Bay Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group

Includes most of WRIA 24: Major watersheds include the North, Willapa, Palix, Nemah, Bear, Long Island and Naselle rivers. This region also includes nearshore habitat within, and other watersheds flowing into Willapa Bay.

Region 11: Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 25, 26, 27 and 28 and parts of 24 and 29: Major watersheds include the Chinook, Grays, Elochoman, Cowlitz, Kalama, Lewis, and Washougal rivers. This region also includes Columbia River habitat and other watersheds entering the Washington side of the Columbia River below Bonneville Dam.

Region 12: Mid-Columbia Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 30, 31, 37, 38, 39 and 40 and most of 29: Major watersheds include the Little White Salmon, White Salmon, Wind, Yakima, and Klickitat rivers. This region also includes Columbia River habitat and other watersheds entering the Columbia River from the north and west above Bonneville Dam, up to Rock Island Dam.

Region 13: Tri-State Steelheaders Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 32, 33 and 35 and parts of 34 and 36: Major watersheds include the Snake and Walla Walla rivers. This region also includes Columbia River habitat and other watersheds entering the Columbia River from the east between McNary Dam and the Interstate 182 Bridge at Richland.

Region 14: Upper Columbia Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group

Includes WRIAs 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and 52: Major watersheds include the Wenatchee, Entiat, Methow, Okanogan and San Poil rivers. This region also includes Columbia River habitat and other watersheds entering the Columbia River above Rock Island Dam up to and including the San Poil watershed.

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