

WSR 23-14-005  
EMERGENCY RULES  
DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 23-102—Filed June 21, 2023, 4:24 p.m., effective June 22, 2023]

Effective Date of Rule: June 22, 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to close the coastal commercial salmon troll fishery.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-354-30000T.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045, and 77.12.047.

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds that immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.

Reasons for this Finding: Estimates of catch to date have been above expectation, leaving limited remaining quota to prosecute the remainder of the June fishery. Closure of the fishery is needed to allow for tabulation of harvest to date to ensure the fishery does not exceed the summer quota. Additional openings in June may be considered if sufficient May - June quota remains.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Date Adopted: June 21, 2023.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective June 22, 2023:

WAC 220-354-30000T Coastal salmon troll seasons—  
Commercial. (23-94)