

WSR 23-14-081
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 23-110—Filed June 29, 2023, 4:03 p.m., effective July 1, 2023]

Effective Date of Rule: July 1, 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to set July salmon seasons for Catch Record Card Areas 6 and 11.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-313-06000U; and amending WAC 220-313-060.

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: This emergency rule is necessary to set salmon seasons in Catch Record Card Areas 6 and 11 as agreed to during the 2023 North of Falcon season setting process. These rules are temporary until permanent rules, filed in WSR 23-13-072, take effect on July 16, 2023.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 29, 2023.

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Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-06000V Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. Effective July 1 through July 15, 2023, the following provisions of WAC 220-313-060 regarding salmon seasons for Catch Record Card Area 6 and Catch Record Card Area 11 shall be modified as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-313-060 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

(1) **Catch Record Card Area 6:** Salmon:

(a) West of a true north/south line through the #2 Buoy immediately east of Ediz Hook:

- (i) Daily limit 2. Release chum, wild coho, and wild Chinook.
- (ii) Waters of Port Angeles Harbor west of a line from the tip of Ediz Hook to the ITT Rayonier Dock: Closed.
- (b) East of a true north/south line through the #2 Buoy immediately east of Ediz Hook:
 - (i) Daily limit 2. Release chum, wild coho, and Chinook.
 - (ii) Waters of Dungeness Bay inside a line from Dungeness Spit Lighthouse to the #2 Red Buoy, and then to the Port Williams Boat Ramp: Closed.
- (2) **Catch Record Card Area 11, except year-round piers:** Salmon:
 - (a) Open Thursdays through Sundays only.
 - (b) Daily limit 2 including no more than 1 chinook. Release chum and wild Chinook.
 - (c) Waters of Commencement Bay east of a line from the Cliff House Restaurant to the Sperry Ocean Dock: Closed.

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REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective July 1, 2023:

WAC 220-313-06000U Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. (23-97)