

WSR 21-14-013
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 21-104—Filed June 24, 2021, 3:57 p.m., effective June 26, 2021]

Effective Date of Rule: June 26, 2021.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to return salmon seasons in the Cowlitz River, Cowlitz River Reservoir and Cispus River to permanent rules.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-03000Z.

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 rule is needed to return salmon and steelhead seasons and daily limits within the Cowlitz River, Cispus River and Cowlitz River Reservoir (Lake Scanewa) to permanent rules.

Salmon retention on the Cowlitz River was closed earlier in the year to help ensure that the spring Chinook broodstock collection goal was achieved. Adult broodstock collection is on track and the goal is expected to be met, therefore a reopening of retention for hatchery salmon is warranted.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 24, 2021.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective June 26, 2021:

WAC 220-312-03000Z Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Southwest. (21-85)