

**WSR 21-15-008
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE**

[Order 21-113—Filed July 7, 2021, 6:54 p.m., effective July 7, 2021, 6:54 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to delay opening seasons for sockeye salmon in Baker Lake.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-04000E.

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 needed to delay the opening of seasons for sockeye salmon in Baker Lake. As of July 7, 2021, there are not enough sockeye in Baker Lake to provide a meaningful opportunity. The Washington department of fish and wildlife will continue to monitor sockeye returns to the lake and will reevaluate opening retention of sockeye after July 16.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: July 7, 2021.

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REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective immediately

WAC 220-312-04000E Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound.