

WSR 21-18-033
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 21-162—Filed August 23, 2021, 4:55 p.m., effective August 25, 2021]

Effective Date of Rule: August 25, 2021.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to close Chinook retention in Marine Area 11.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: 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 close Chinook retention in Marine Area 11, except currently open year-round piers. The current estimate of Chinook harvest is 3,181 of the total harvest quota of 3,084 (103 percent) agreed to in this year's list of agreed fisheries. Because the harvest quota has been reached, Washington department of fish and wildlife is suspending Chinook retention. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: August 23, 2021.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-06000M Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. Effective August 25 through September 30, 2021, the following provisions of WAC 220-313-060 regarding Chinook salmon retention in Marine Area 11, except for Des Moines Pier, Les Davis Pier, Point Defiance Boathouse Dock, and Redondo Pier, shall be as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-313-060 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

Catch Record Card Area 11: Salmon: Release all Chinook.

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