WSR 21-19-043 EMERGENCY RULES DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 21-188—Filed September 10, 2021, 3:22 p.m., effective September 11, 2021, 5:00 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: September 11, 2021, 5:00 a.m. Purpose: Amend commercial purse seine and gill net rules for Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 7.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-354-180.

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 provide for Pacific Salmon Commission's Fraser River Panel authorized commercial fisheries in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Areas 7. The Fraser River Panel authorized these fisheries during their meeting on September 10, 2021. There is harvest share available for pink salmon at current run-size levels. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: September 10, 2021.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-18000N Puget Sound salmon—Reef net open periods. Effective 5 AM September 11, 2021 through 9 PM September 12, 2021, the following provisions of WAC 220-354-180 regarding reef net open periods in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 7 shall be as follows. All other provisions of WAC 220-354-180 not contained herein remain in effect unless others altered by emergency rule:

Reef nets - Open to reef nets according to the times, dates, and conditions as prescribed and listed below:

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Area	Open Periods
7	5 AM - 9 PM, Saturday, September 11, 2021
7	5 AM - 9 PM, Sunday, September 12, 2021

It is unlawful to retain any salmon other than pink and coho salmon taken with reef net gear.

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Reviser's note: The typographical error in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appears in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.