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WSR 22-17-064 EMERGENCY RULES DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-167—Filed August 12, 2022, 5:07 p.m., effective August 12, 2022, 5:07 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to remove daily limits for gamefish on Williams Lake.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-312-050.

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 provide additional angling and harvest opportunity in Williams Lake prior to the scheduled treatment with the piscicide rotenone. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 12, 2022.

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-05000T Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Eastside. Effective immediately, through October 31, 2022 the following provisions of WAC 220-312-050, regarding gamefish seasons, size restrictions and daily limits shall be as follows. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-050 remain in effect unless modified by emergency rule:

Williams Lake (Spokane County):

- (a) Immediately, through October 9, 2022: No size restrictions, no daily limit for gamefish.
 - (b) October 10, through October 31, 2022: Closed to all fishing.

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