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WSR 22-18-056 **EMERGENCY RULES** DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-187—Filed August 31, 2022, 10:54 a.m., effective August 31, 2022, 10:54 a.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to return Catch Record Card Area 13 salmon seasons to permanent rules.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-313-06000I.

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: Chinook salmon returns to the Nisqually River were below preseason expectations through last Friday when the Washington department of fish and wildlife (WDFW) paused recreational salmon fishing. After discussions with comanagers and evaluating current information, WDFW is comfortable that management objectives will not be compromised by reopening recreational salmon fishing.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: August 31, 2022.

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REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective immediately:

WAC 220-313-06000I Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. (22-185)