

WSR 24-19-095  
EMERGENCY RULES  
DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 24-190—Filed September 17, 2024, 2:15 p.m., effective September 19, 2024]

Effective Date of Rule: September 19, 2024.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to require to release wild coho in Catch Record Card Area 8-2.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-313-06000E; and 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 require the release of wild coho in Catch Record Card Area 8-2. The coho catch to date has greatly exceeded the preseason projected catch for the months of August and September. Due to concerns about wild north sound coho stock status and considering the high mark rates observed to date, the fishery will remain open for hatchery coho only. The closure to wild coho retention will allow the fishery to continue without putting other fisheries or attainment of conservation objectives at risk. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: September 17, 2024.

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Director

NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-313-06000G Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits.** Effective September 19 through September 24, 2024, salmon rules for Catch Record Card Area 8-2, except the Tulalip Terminal Area (Waters west of Tulalip Bay and within 2,000 feet of shore from the pilings at Old Bower's Resort to a fishing boundary marker approximately 1.4 miles northwest of Hermosa Point and not including waters east of a line drawn from Mission Point to Hermosa Point) and Tulalip

Bay (waters east of a line drawn from Mission Point to Hermosa Point), shall be modified as described herein. 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 8-2, except the Tulalip Terminal Area and Tulalip Bay:**

Salmon: Daily limit 1. Release Chinook, chum, and wild coho.

REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective September 19, 2024:

WAC 220-313-06000E Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. (24-169)