

**WSR 24-20-125
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE**

[Order 24-218—Filed October 1, 2024, 2:44 p.m., effective October 1, 2024, 2:44 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to return Stillaguamish River salmon seasons to permanent rules.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-04000W.

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: A reduction to the daily limit is no longer necessary. In-season indicators now show the number of coho returning to the river is sufficient to return to permanent rules without risking meeting conservation objectives for Stillaguamish coho.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: October 1, 2024.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective immediately:

WAC 220-312-04000W Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound. (23-203)