

WSR 21-03-051  
EMERGENCY RULES  
DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 21-05—Filed January 14, 2021, 3:24 p.m., effective January 19, 2021]

Effective Date of Rule: January 19, 2021.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to close recreational salmon fishing in Marine Area 10.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: 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 because anglers have reached nearly half (two hundred eighty-two of five hundred seventy-nine) of this fishery's allowed natural origin Chinook encounter guideline within the first ten days of the season. Washington department of fish and wildlife, in consultation with fishing advisors for Puget Sound, has decided to temporarily close this fishery until later in the season in order to preserve future fishing opportunities and to limit impacts to natural origin Chinook. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: January 14, 2021.

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Director

NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-313-06000Z Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits.** Effective January 19, 2021, until further notice, the following provisions of WAC 220-313-060 regarding salmon seasons for Marine Area 10 shall be modified as described below. 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 10:** Salmon: Closed.

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