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# WSR 21-20-010 PERMANENT RULES DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 21-196—Filed September 23, 2021, 10:32 a.m., effective October 24, 2021]

Effective Date of Rule: Thirty-one days after filing.

Purpose: A large area of the ferruginous hawk's habitat is grasslands and shrubsteppe. Washington's drastic landscape development has altered the ferruginous hawk's breeding range. Native grasslands and arid shrublands have transformed into agriculture and urbanization. Also, there has been a decline in condition on rangelands. All these factors contribute to the loss of nesting and foraging habitat.

The reduction of prey on the breeding range and landscape during migration speak to the decline of Washington's breeding population. The breeding population of ferruginous hawks in Washington is in a sustained decline. Between 1974 and 2016, there have been significant declines in nesting territory occupancy, nest success, and productivity. Additionally, the percentage of surveyed nesting territories supporting breeding pairs has declined in the core breeding range of the species in Benton and Franklin counties. The distribution of breeding pairs statewide also appears to have shrunk since the 1990s.

With the lack of improvement in habitat conditions or movement to address the primary threats, the ferruginous hawk is now classified as endangered in Washington.

Washington department of fish and wildlife classified the ferruginous hawk as endangered in the state of Washington under WAC 220-610-010. The reason we adopted the rule is to draw attention to the growing conservation concern around this species and further prioritize it internally and externally with our conservation partners. The species meets the definition of endangered as defined in WAC 220-610-110 and will now fall under regulations and enforcement in RCW

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-200-100 and 220-610-010.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.020.

Adopted under notice filed as WSR 21-13-139 on June 22, 2021.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 2, 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 27, 2021.

> Larry M. Carpenter for Larry Smith, Chair Fish and Wildlife Commission

<u>AMENDATORY SECTION</u> (Amending WSR 21-13-032, filed 6/10/21, effective 7/11/21)

WAC 220-200-100 Wildlife classified as protected shall not be hunted or fished. Protected wildlife are designated into three subcategories: Threatened, sensitive, and other.

(1) Threatened species are any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that are likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout a significant portion of their range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats. Protected wildlife designated as threatened include:

Common Name

western gray squirrel
sea otter

((ferruginous hawk
green sea turtle

Mazama pocket gopher

American white pelican

Sciurus griseus

Enhydra lutris

Buteo regalis
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Chelonia mydas

Thomomys mazama

Pelecanus erythrorhynchos

(2) Sensitive species are any wildlife species native to the state of Washington that are vulnerable or declining and are likely to become endangered or threatened in a significant portion of their range within the state without cooperative management or removal of threats. Protected wildlife designated as sensitive include:

Common Name Scientific Name
Gray whale Eschrichtius robustus

Common Loon Gavia immer

Larch Mountain

salamander Plethodon larselli
Pygmy whitefish Prosopium coulteri
Margined sculpin Cottus marginatus
Olympic mudminnow Novumbra hubbsi

(3) Other protected wildlife include:

Common Name Scientific Name cony or pika Ochotona princeps least chipmunk Tamias minimus yellow-pine chipmunk Tamias amoenus Townsend's chipmunk Tamias townsendii red-tailed chipmunk Tamias ruficaudus hoary marmot Marmota caligata Olympic marmot Marmota olympus

Cascade goldenmantled ground

squirrel Callospermophilus saturatus

golden-mantled ground

squirrel Callospermophilus lateralis

Washington ground

squirrel *Urocitellus washingtoni* red squirrel *Tamiasciurus hudsonicus* 

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Common Name Scientific Name

Douglas squirrel Tamiasciurus douglasii
northern flying squirrel Glaucomys sabrinus

Humboldt's flying Glaucomys oregonensis
squirrel

wolverine Gulo gulo
painted turtle Chrysemys picta

California mountain

kingsnake Lampropeltis zonata

All birds not classified as game birds, predatory birds or endangered species, or designated as threatened species or sensitive species; all bats, except when found in or immediately adjacent to a dwelling or other occupied building; mammals of the order *Cetacea*, including whales, porpoises, and mammals of the order *Pinnipedia* not otherwise classified as endangered species, or designated as threatened species or sensitive species. This section shall not apply to hair seals and sea lions which are threatening to damage or are damaging commercial fishing gear being utilized in a lawful manner or when said mammals are damaging or threatening to damage commercial fish being lawfully taken with commercial gear.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, and 77.12.240. WSR 21-13-032 (Order 21-60), § 220-200-100, filed 6/10/21, effective 7/11/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 18-17-153 (Order 18-207), § 220-200-100, filed 8/21/18, effective 9/21/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-20-030 (Order 17-254), § 220-200-100, filed 9/27/17, effective 10/28/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-200-100, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-02-084 (Order 17-02), § 232-12-011, filed 1/4/17, effective 2/4/17; WSR 15-10-021 (Order 14-95), § 232-12-011, filed 4/27/15, effective 5/28/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020. WSR 08-03-068 (Order 08-09), \$ 232-12-011, filed 1/14/08, effective 2/14/08; WSR 06-04-066 (Order 06-09), § 232-12-011, filed 1/30/06, effective 3/2/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.655, 77.12.020. WSR 02-11-069 (Order 02-98), § 232-12-011, filed 5/10/02, effective 6/10/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 02-08-048 (Order 02-53), § 232-12-011, filed 3/29/02, effective 5/1/02; WSR 00-17-106 (Order 00-149), § 232-12-011, filed 8/16/00, effective 9/16/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770. WSR 00-10-001 (Order 00-47), § 232-12-011, filed 4/19/00, effective 5/20/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770, 77.12.780. WSR 00-04-017 (Order 00-05), § 232-12-011, filed 1/24/00, effective 2/24/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 98-23-013 (Order 98-232), § 232-12-011, filed 11/6/98, effective 12/7/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 98-10-021 (Order 98-71), § 232-12-011, filed 4/22/98, effective 5/23/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040 and 75.08.080. WSR 98-06-031, § 232-12-011, filed 2/26/98, effective 5/1/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 97-18-019 (Order 97-167), § 232-12-011, filed 8/25/97, effective 9/25/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.020, 77.12.030 and 77.32.220. WSR 97-12-048, § 232-12-011, filed 6/2/97, effective 7/3/97. Statutory Au-

thority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 93-21-027 (Order 615), \$ 232-12-011, filed 10/14/93, effective 11/14/93; WSR 90-11-065 (Order 441), § 232-12-011, filed 5/15/90, effective 6/15/90. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 89-11-061 (Order 392), § 232-12-011, filed 5/18/89; WSR 82-19-026 (Order 192), § 232-12-011, filed 9/9/82; WSR 81-22-002 (Order 174), § 232-12-011, filed 10/22/81; WSR 81-12-029 (Order 165), § 232-12-011, filed 6/1/81.]

#### OTS-3309.1

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 21-13-032, filed 6/10/21, effective 7/11/21)

WAC 220-610-010 Wildlife classified as endangered species. Endangered species include:

> Scientific Name Common Name Oregon vesper sparrow Pooecetes gramineus

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pygmy rabbit Brachylagus idahoensis fisher Pekania pennanti gray wolf Canis lupus grizzly bear Ursus arctos killer whale Orcinus orca

sei whale Balaenoptera borealis fin whale Balaenoptera physalus blue whale Balaenoptera musculus Megaptera novaeangliae humpback whale North Pacific right whale Eubalaena japonica sperm whale Physeter macrocephalus Columbian white-tailed Odocoileus virginianus deer

leucurus

woodland caribou Rangifer tarandus caribou Columbian sharp-tailed Tympanuchus phasianellus columbianus

grouse sandhill crane Grus canadensis snowy plover Charadrius nivosus upland sandpiper Bartramia longicauda spotted owl Strix occidentalis western pond turtle Clemmys marmorata leatherback sea turtle Dermochelys coriacea Polites mardon

mardon skipper

Oregon silverspot

butterfly Speyeria zerene hippolyta

Oregon spotted frog Rana pretiosa northern leopard frog Rana pipiens

Taylor's checkerspot Euphydryas editha taylori Streaked horned lark Eremophila alpestris

strigata

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Common Name Scientific Name
Tufted puffin Fratercula cirrhata
North American lynx Lynx canadensis
marbled murrelet Brachyramphus
marmoratus

Loggerhead sea turtleCaretta carettaYellow-billed cuckooCoccyzus americanusPinto abaloneHaliotis kamtschatkanaGreater sage grouseCentrocercus urophasianus

Ferruginous hawk Buteo regalis

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, and 77.12.240. WSR 21-13-032 (Order 21-60), § 220-610-010, filed 6/10/21, effective 7/11/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.020. WSR 21-07-019 (Order 21-15), § 220-610-010, filed 3/5/21, effective 4/5/21. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 19-13-013 (Order 18-120), § 220-610-010, filed 6/7/19, effective 7/8/19; WSR 18-17-153 (Order 18-207), § 220-610-010, filed 8/21/18, effective 9/21/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-20-030 (Order 17-254), § 220-610-010, filed 9/27/17, effective 10/28/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-610-010, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-02-084 (Order 17-02), § 232-12-014, filed 1/4/17, effective 2/4/17; WSR 16-11-023 (Order 16-84), § 232-12-014, filed 5/6/16, effective 6/6/16; WSR 15-10-022 (Order 14-95), § 232-12-014, filed 4/27/15, effective 5/28/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020. WSR 06-04-066 (Order 06-09), § 232-12-014, filed 1/30/06, effective 3/2/06; WSR 04-11-036 (Order 04-98), § 232-12-014, filed 5/12/04, effective 6/12/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.655, 77.12.020. WSR 02-11-069 (Order 02-98), § 232-12-014, filed 5/10/02, effective 6/10/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770, 77.12.780. WSR 00-04-017 (Order 00-05), \$232-12-014, filed 1/24/00, effective 2/24/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020. WSR 98-23-013 (Order 98-232), § 232-12-014, filed 11/6/98, effective 12/7/98; WSR 97-18-019 (Order 97-167), § 232-12-014, filed 8/25/97, effective 9/25/97; WSR 93-21-026 (Order 616), § 232-12-014, filed 10/14/93, effective 11/14/93. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.020(6). WSR 88-05-032 (Order 305), § 232-12-014, filed 2/12/88. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 82-19-026 (Order 192), § 232-12-014, filed 9/9/82; WSR 81-22-002 (Order 174), § 232-12-014, filed 10/22/81; WSR 81-12-029 (Order 165), § 232-12-014, filed 6/1/81.]