

WSR 22-22-008
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-246—Filed October 20, 2022, 2:42 p.m., effective October 22, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: October 22, 2022.

Purpose: Amend recreational fishing rules for the Dungeness and Gray Wolf rivers.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-02000V.

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: The Dungeness River was closed due to unseasonably dry weather and extreme low water conditions. Expected precipitation and a forecasted rise in flows will allow fish to move upstream to spawning grounds and fishing to reopen. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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 20, 2022.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective October 22, 2022:

WAC 220-312-02000V Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound. (22-239)