

**WSR 23-10-039  
EMERGENCY RULES  
DEPARTMENT OF  
FISH AND WILDLIFE**

[Order 23-60—Filed April 27, 2023, 1:47 p.m., effective May 1, 2023]

Effective Date of Rule: May 1, 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to return coastal tributaries, previously closed by emergency rule, to permanent rules.

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

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 rule returns coastal tributaries to permanent rules, therefore implementing sport harvest opportunity for hatchery spring Chinook, hatchery coho, and game fish as agreed-to under the 2023 comanagement harvest agreement for spring and summer salmon fisheries in the Quillayute River system.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: April 27, 2023.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative code is repealed, effective May 1, 2023:

WAC 220-312-02000A Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Coast. (23-19)