

WSR 23-11-099
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 23-81—Filed May 19, 2023, 9:08 a.m., effective June 1, 2023]

Effective Date of Rule: June 1, 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to open salmon seasons in Catch Record Card Area 11.

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 to open salmon fishing in Marine Area 11 beginning June 1, 2023, as agreed upon with comanagers during the 2023 North of Falcon season setting process. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: May 19, 2023.

Kelly Susewind
Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-06000S Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. Effective June 1, 2023 until further notice the following provisions of WAC 220-313-060 regarding salmon seasons for Marine Area 11 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 11: Salmon:

- (a) Open Thursday through Sunday only each week.
- (b) Daily limit 2. Up to 1 Chinook may be retained. Chinook min. size 22".
- (c) All other salmon species, no min. size. Release chum and wild Chinook.

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