

WSR 23-19-002
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 23-190—Filed September 6, 2023, 3:12 p.m., effective September 7, 2023]

Effective Date of Rule: September 7, 2023.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to close commercial beach seine fisheries in Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Area 12C.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Amending WAC 220-354-210.

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 is necessary to close Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 12C for weeks 36 and 37 as quota for the area has been achieved.

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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: September 6, 2023.

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Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-354-21000K Puget Sound salmon—Beach seine—Open periods.

Effective the September 7 through September 14, 2023, the following provisions of WAC 220-354-210 regarding commercial Beach Seine open periods for Puget Sound Salmon Management and Catch Reporting Area 12C shall be as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-354-210 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

Table with 4 columns: Area, Open/Closed, Time, Date(s). Row 1: 12C, Closed, 9/7, 9/14

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**Reviser's note:** The typographical error in the above section occurred in the copy filed by the agency and appears in the Register pursuant to the requirements of RCW 34.08.040.