

WSR 23-23-035
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 23-250—Filed November 3, 2023, 2:08 p.m., effective November 3, 2023, 2:08 p.m.]

Effective Date of Rule: Immediately upon filing.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to allow chum retention in Carr Inlet.

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: Comanagers have agreed to limited harvest opportunity in this area due to the low risk of negatively impacting natural stocks returning to South Sound. Chum salmon will be included as part of the daily limit for salmon in Marine Area 13. 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Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 1, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: November 3, 2023.

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Director

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-06000N Puget Sound salmon—Saltwater seasons and daily limits. Effective immediately through December 7, 2023, salmon rules for Catch Record Card Area 13 shall be modified as described herein. All other provisions of WAC 220-313-060 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

(1) Waters of Carr Inlet northerly of a line projected from Penrose Point (47°15'53.6"N, 122°44'11.5"W) to Green Point (47°16'55.2"N, 122°41'41.8"W).

(2) Salmon daily limit 2. Chinook min. size 22". Release wild coho and wild Chinook.