

WSR 22-04-020
EMERGENCY RULES
DEPARTMENT OF
FISH AND WILDLIFE

[Order 22-08—Filed January 21, 2022, 4:47 p.m., effective January 22, 2022]

Effective Date of Rule: January 22, 2022.

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to reopen gamefish seasons in the Nooksack River and its forks under permanent rules.

Citation of Rules Affected by this Order: Repealing WAC 220-312-04000Y.

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: Recreational gamefish seasons were closed throughout the Nooksack River and its forks to maximize egg-take for the hatchery winter steelhead return in mid-December. Kendall Hatchery steelhead broodstock needs have been met and the fishing closure is no longer necessary.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Comply with Federal Statute: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Federal Rules or Standards: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Recently Enacted State Statutes: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted at the Request of a Nongovernmental Entity: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted on the Agency's own Initiative: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 1.

Number of Sections Adopted in Order to Clarify, Streamline, or Reform Agency Procedures: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.

Number of Sections Adopted using Negotiated Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; Pilot Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0; or Other Alternative Rule Making: New 0, Amended 0, Repealed 0.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: January 21, 2022.

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Director

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code are repealed, effective January 22, 2022:

WAC 220-312-04000Y Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound. (21-275)

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.