



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)
(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Subject of possible rule making: Amending existing department rules to designate additional catch areas on the Columbia River.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.045 and 77.12.047.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: New catch area designations are needed to aid in management of existing and emergent commercial fishing opportunities on the Columbia River. Evolving and emerging commercial fisheries require managing subsections of existing catch areas and/or designation of new catch areas. Some of these management changes are in response to the Columbia River Basin Salmon Management Policy C-3620.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Washington and Oregon co-manage fisheries in the Columbia River which includes concurrent designations of catch areas. The department will coordinate with Oregon as necessary to accomplish any proposed rule changes.


Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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