



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: The department is considering rulemaking to establish a combined license for food fish guides and game fish guides beginning in calendar year 2016.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, and Senate Bill 5824 (Session Law 2015 c 97 s 7).

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Senate Bill 5824 was passed during the 2015 legislative session creating a new section in Chapter 77.65 RCW directing the department to establish, by rule, a fish guide combination license to allow holders to offer or perform the services of a food fish and a game fish guide. The department must engage in rulemaking to adhere to state law and create the combined license, as well as establish the fee for the combined license. Senate Bill 5824 (2015 c 97) will be effective on July 24, 2015.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

The United State Coast Guard (USCG) requires and will monitor guides for safety certification, valid license and a sworn declaration requiring the license holder to certify whether the area of their operations will include federally recognized navigable water with a motorized vessel. The department will coordinate with the USCG as needed to implement the new fish guide license.

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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Contact by August 7, 2015. Expected proposal filing on or after August 14, 2015.

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