



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 rule changes for the following topics: spring bear hunting seasons and regulations, hoof disease, and auctions and raffles.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 77.04.012, 77.12.240, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.32.090, and 77.32.530.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Amendments are needed to provide clarification to rules, expand recreational opportunity, mitigate wildlife conflicts, and reduce the risk of spreading wildlife disease, while maintaining sustainable game populations.

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

None

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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