



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

Subject of possible rule making: Columbia River fisheries above the Bonneville Dam

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCWs 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, and 77.15.005

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Parties have agreed through the *U.S. v. Oregon* Fish Management Process and the Regulatory Consistency Committee to amend inconsistent rules to ensure uniformity, to provide clarity, and to increase enforceability of regulations in waters of concurrent jurisdiction. Portions of Title 220 in the Washington Administrative Code require amendments to reflect changes already implemented by Oregon and tribal governments concerning this federal case.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Oregon, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries and Columbia River Tribes have agreed to rule language through the committee process assigned by the judge in the ongoing case of *U.S. v. Oregon*.

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

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

Interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication by contacting:

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