



# RULE-MAKING ORDER

**CR-103E (July 2011)**  
**(Implements RCW 34.05.350)**

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Emergency Rule Only**

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules 15-437**

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?**

- Yes
  - No
- If Yes, explain:

**Purpose:** Amend recreational fishing rules

**Citation of existing rules affected by this order:**

Repealed: WAC 220-310-19000N  
 Amended: WAC 220-310-190  
 Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, and 77.12.047

**Other authority :**

**EMERGENCY RULE**

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.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.
- That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, or 2013, which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

Reasons for this finding: This section of the Green River had been closed to protect Chinook and coho salmon. This regulation re-opens the area for retention of winter hatchery steelhead through January 31, 2016. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**Date adopted:** December 2, 2015

**NAME (TYPE OR PRINT)**

J W Unsworth

**SIGNATURE**

**TITLE**

Director

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**DATE: December 02, 2015**

**TIME: 1:33 PM**

**WSR 16-01-001**

(COMPLETE REVERSE SIDE)

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.  
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.  
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

**The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:**

<b>Federal statute:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Federal rules or standards:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Recently enacted state statutes:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

**The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted in the agency's own initiative:**

New	<u>1</u>	Amended	_____	Repealed	<u>1</u>
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**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
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**The number of sections adopted using:**

<b>Negotiated rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Pilot rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
<b>Other alternative rule making:</b>	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

ORDER NO. 15-437

NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-310-19000S Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-310-190:

(1) Effective immediately through January 31, 2016, it is permissible to fish in the waters of the Green/Duwamish River, from the mouth of Cristy Creek (at Flaming Geyser State Park) to the water pipeline walk bridge (1/2 mile downstream of Tacoma Headworks Dam).

(a) Trout – Daily limit of two; minimum size 14 inches,

(b) Other game fish statewide minimum size/daily limits apply.

(2) Green River (King Co.): From the mouth of the Green River upstream to the mouth of Cristy Creek (at Flaming Geyser State Park): Daily limit 3 adult salmon, release Chinook and coho.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative is repealed:

WAC 220-310-19000N Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules. (15-382)

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( ) That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

( ) That in order to implement the requirements or reductions in appropriations enacted in any budget for fiscal years , 2011, 2012 or 2013 which necessitates the need for the immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the fiscal needs or requirements of the agency.

**Reasons for this finding:** The upper section of the Green River had been closed to protect spawning Chinook and Coho salmon. With the return of Chinook and Coho salmon to the Green River considered complete, this regulation re-opens the upper area for retention of winter hatchery steelhead through January 31, 2016. There is insufficient time to promulgate permanent rules. (15-437, 12/2/2015)

