



**RULE-MAKING ORDER  
EMERGENCY RULE ONLY**

**CR-103E (December 2017)  
(Implements RCW 34.05.350  
and 34.05.360)**

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FILED

DATE: March 26, 2018

TIME: 4:57 PM

WSR 18-08-027

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (18-49)

**Effective date of rule:**

**Emergency Rules**

- 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:** Amends recreational fishing rules for Lower Hanford Reach and Ringold Area in the Columbia River)

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

- New:
- Repealed: WAC 220-312-06000B
- Amended: WAC 220-312-060
- Suspended:

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.12.045 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.

Reasons for this finding: The 2017-18 Hanford Reach steelhead fishery daily limit was reduced to one fish to ensure that the Ringold Springs Hatchery would meet the 2018 broodstock collection objective. As of March 26, the broodstock/egg take objective has been achieved and the daily limit can be increased to two hatchery steelhead for the remainder of the season. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

**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:**

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

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

New \_\_\_\_ Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:**

New 1 Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed 1

**The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:**

New \_\_\_\_ Amended \_\_\_\_ Repealed \_\_\_\_

**The number of sections adopted using:**

Negotiated rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Pilot rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____
Other alternative rule making:	New	____	Amended	____	Repealed	____

<b>Date Adopted:</b> March 26, 2018	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Name:</b> Joe Stohr	
<b>Title:</b> Director	

NEW SECTION

**WAC 220-312-06000B Exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-312-060:

- (1) From the Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco to the old Hanford townsite wooden powerline towers: Effective immediately through March 31, 2018, daily limit two (2) hatchery steelhead.
- (2) Ringold Area Bank Fishery: Effective immediately through April 15, 2018, daily limit two (2) hatchery steelhead.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective April 16, 2018:

WAC 220-312-06000B Exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia River.

