



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 20-123)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) July 4, 2020

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

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: The purpose of this rule is open seasons for summer Chinook in the lower Columbia River, from the Megler Astoria Bridge to the Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
 Repealed: WAC 220-312-06000M; WAC 220-312-06000P
 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: This rule is needed to open summer Chinook seasons in the Columbia River. The U.S. v Oregon Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) updated the summer Chinook run from a pre-season value of 38,000 to 65,000. This rule also results in no additional impacts on Snake River ESA-listed sockeye. The TAC is comprised of representatives from Washington, Oregon, Idaho, NOAA, and the Treaty Tribes and are responsible for developing pre-season and in-season run forecasts that salmon seasons are based on. This fishery is consistent with the U.S. v Oregon Management Agreement and the associated Biological Opinion. This action conforms Washington state rules with Oregon state rules and is consistent with the Compact Action of June 30, 2020. 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 2

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	____

Date Adopted: July 1, 2020	Signature: 
Name: Amy Windrope for Kelly Susewind	
Title: Director	

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-06000P Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia

Effective July 4 through July 31, 2020, provisions of WAC 220-312-060 regarding Columbia River salmon and steelhead seasons from the Megler Astoria Bridge to the Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco are modified as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-060 not addressed herein or otherwise amended by emergency rule remain in effect.

(1) From Megler Astoria Bridge to a line projected from Rocky Point on the Washington bank through Red Buoy 44 to red navigation marker 2 at Tongue point on the Oregon bank:

Salmon and steelhead: Effective immediately through July 31, 2020: Closed to fishing for or retaining.

(2) From a line projected from Rocky Point on the Washington bank through Red Buoy 44 to red navigation marker 2 at Tongue point on the Oregon bank upstream to the Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco:

(a) Salmon and steelhead: Effective July 4 through July 8 2020: Daily limit 6; up to 2 adults may be retained. Release all salmon and steelhead other than hatchery Chinook.

(b) Salmon and steelhead: Effective July 9 through July 31, 2020: Closed to fishing for or retaining.

REPEALERS

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective July 4, 2020:

WAC 220-312-06000M Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia (20-117)

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective August 1, 2020:

WAC 220-312-06000P Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Columbia