



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

Subject of possible rule making: The department is conducting periodic status reviews for species currently listed as sensitive, threatened, or endangered (WAC 220-200-100 and 220-610-010). Species to be reviewed include the following: common loon, sage grouse, white pelican, gray whale, humpback whale, western gray squirrel, Oregon spotted frog, and ferruginous hawk.

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.13, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, and 77.12.047.

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The department will review all relevant data pertaining to the population status and factors affecting existence in Washington for the species under review. Based on the information collected and reviewed, the department will make recommendations to maintain the species current listing status, or reclassify species to sensitive, threatened, or endangered. The department may also recommend to 'delist' the species and reclassify as protected wildlife or unclassified wildlife.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: Federal and state agencies that regulate these species include the US Fish and Wildlife Service, National Marine Fisheries Service, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, and Washington Department of Natural Resources. The department will coordinate with appropriate entities during the review period.

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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