Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 21-124)

Effective date of rule:
- Emergency Rules
  - ☒ Later (specify) July 24, 2021

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
- ☒ No

Purpose: The purpose of this emergency rule is to reduce the daily Chinook limit in Marine Area 4.

Citation of rules affected by this order:
- New:
- Repealed: WAC 220-313-07500A
- Amended: WAC 220-313-075
- 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 purpose of this rule is to reduce the daily limit to one Chinook per angler in Catch Record Card Area 4. While there are available Chinook remaining in the Area 4 quota, the recent closure of adjacent Catch Area 5 to Chinook retention is expected to lead to increased fishing effort and increased catch of Chinook in Area 4. Lowering the limit to one Chinook per angler will allow the Area 4 fishery to remain open further into the season without exceeding its quota.

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**Date Adopted:** July 21, 2021  
**Name:** Kelly Susewind  
**Title:** Director  
**Signature:**

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WAC 220-313-07500B Pacific Ocean Salmon-Seasons-Closed Areas.
Effective July 24 through September 15, 2021 the provisions of WAC 220-313-075 regarding recreational salmon seasons for Marine Areas 1 through 4 shall be as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-313-075 not addressed herein remain in effect unless otherwise amended:

(1) **Catch Record Card Area 1:** Open immediately, through September 15, 2021:
   (a) Daily limit of 2 salmon; no more than one may be a Chinook.
   (b) Release wild coho.
   (c) Chinook minimum length 22 inches.
   (d) Coho minimum length 16 inches.

(2) **Catch Record Card Area 2:** Open immediately, through September 15, 2021:
   (a) Open Sundays through Thursdays only (closed Fridays and Saturdays).
   (b) Daily limit of 2 salmon; no more than one may be a Chinook.
   (c) Release wild coho.
   (d) Chinook minimum length 22 inches.
   (e) Coho minimum length 16 inches.
   (f) June 19, 2021 through August 8, 2021 the Grays Harbor Control Zone is open. See WAC 220-306-040.

(3) **Catch Record Card Area 3:** Open immediately, through September 15, 2021:
   (a) Daily limit of 2 salmon.
   (b) Release wild coho.
   (c) Chinook minimum length 24 inches.
   (d) Coho minimum length 16 inches.

(4) **Catch Record Card Area 4:**
   (a) Open July 24 through July 31, 2021:
      (i) Daily limit of 2 salmon; no more than one may be a Chinook.
      (ii) Release wild coho.
      (iii) Chinook minimum length 24 inches.
      (iv) Coho minimum length 16 inches.
      (v) Waters east of a true north-south line through Sail Rock are closed.
   (b) Open August 1 through September 15, 2021:
      (i) Daily limit of 2 salmon; no more than one may be a Chinook.
      (ii) Release wild coho and chum.
      (iii) Chinook minimum length 24 inches.
      (iv) Coho minimum length 16 inches.
      (v) No chinook retention in waters east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line.
The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective July 24, 2021: WAC 220-313-07500A Pacific Ocean Salmon-Seasons-Closed Areas. (21-90)