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

Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (21-187)  

Effective date of rule:  
☐ Immediately upon filing.  
☒ Later (specify) September 16, 2021  

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?  
☐ Yes ☒ No  
If Yes, explain:  

Purpose: Amends freshwater recreational rules for the Quillayute and Sol Duc rivers  

Citation of rules affected by this order:  
New:  
Repealed:  
Amended: WAC 220-312-020  
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 closure is necessary to protect wild summer coho returning to the system. The pre-season forecast was for an expected return of less than 300 adults. The Quillayute watershed is experiencing record low flows causing fish to remain in the lower river. Fishing will reopen when flows increase, or stock assessment information suggests that wild summer coho have started their upstream migration. 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  - Repealed: ___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  - Repealed: ___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  - Repealed: ___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- Repealed: ___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- Repealed: ___

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: September 10, 2021

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Title: Director

Signature:

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NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-02000P  Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Coast.
Notwithstanding the provisions of WAC 220-312-020, effective September 16, 2021 until further notice, the provisions of WAC 220-312-020 regarding angling seasons for Quillayute and Sol Duc rivers shall be modified as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-020 not addressed herein remain in effect unless otherwise amended by emergency rule.

(1) Quillayute River (Clallam Co.), from Olympic National Park Boundary upstream to confluence of Bogachiel and Sol Duc rivers – Closed to all fishing.

(2) Sol Duc River (Clallam Co.), from mouth to the Olympic National Park Boundary – Closed to all fishing.