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RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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DATE: September 10, 2021 TIME: 9:41 PM

WSR 21-19-046

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

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

Immediately upon filing.

Later (specify) September 16, 2021

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New: Repealed: Amended: WAC 220-312-020 Suspended: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 preseason 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.

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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.