Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife    (Order 22-110)

Effective date of rule:

☐ Immediately upon filing.
☒ Later (specify) June 24, 2022

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 to reduce the Chinook portion of the daily limit in Catch Record Card Area 4.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:  

Repealed: WAC 220-313-07500G
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: This emergency rule is necessary because more than 12 percent of the Chinook guideline in Catch Record Card Area 4 was taken on the first two open days of the season (June 18 and 19, 2022). A reduction in the Chinook daily limit is necessary to preserve the season length while avoiding exceedance of the Chinook guideline and maximizing catch of the available coho quota.

This rule also maintains other recreational salmon seasons in Catch Record Card Areas 1-3, previously set by WSR 22-13-143.

These rules for in-state waters are consistent with federal salmon fishing regulations adopted by the National Marine Fisheries Service in response to actions taken by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) to set salmon fishery harvest specifications and management measures; this action is intended to achieve regulatory consistency in federal and state waters for the ocean recreational salmon fishery, which operates in both areas.

There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.
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Date Adopted: June 22, 2022

Name: Kelly Susewind

Title: Director

Signature:
NEW SECTION

WAC 220-313-07500H Pacific Ocean Salmon-Seasons-Closed Areas.
Effective June 24 through October 8, 2022 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 June 25 through September 30, 2022:

(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 July 2 through September 30, 2022:

(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.
(e) July 2 through August 7, 2022 the Grays Harbor Control Zone is open. See WAC 220-306-040.

(3) **Catch Record Card Area 3:**

(a) Open immediately, through September 30, 2022:
   (i) Daily limit of 2 salmon.
   (ii) Release wild coho.
   (iii) Chinook minimum length 24 inches.
   (iv) Coho minimum length 16 inches.
   (v) Release chum beginning August 1.

(b) Open October 5 through October 8, 2022 only in the area north of 47°50'00" N. lat. and south of 48°00'00" N. lat.:
   (i) Daily limit 2 Chinook salmon only.
   (ii) Release all salmon except Chinook.
   (iii) Chinook minimum length 24 inches.

(4) **Catch Record Card Area 4:**

(a) Open June 24, through September 30, 2022:
   (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) No chinook retention in waters east of the Bonilla-Tatoosh line beginning August 1.
   (vi) Release chum salmon beginning August 1.

(b) Waters east of a true north-south line through Sail Rock are closed through July 31.
REPEALER

The following section of Washington Administrative Code is repealed, effective June 24, 2022: WAC 220-313-07500G Pacific Ocean Salmon-Seasons-Closed Areas.