



# PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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**(Implements RCW 34.05.310)**  
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**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Subject of possible rule making:** The Department is considering amendments to WAC 220-220-230 related to the free fishing weekend in June of each year. The considered changes may include changing the date as well as what fish and shellfish species are "free" to fishing without a state license.

**Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:** RCW 77.32.025

**Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:** Amendments being considered intend to address management concerns related to catch accounting.

**Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:** Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission and Washington Department of Natural Resources

**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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