



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

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Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (P2023-10)

Subject of possible rule making: Coastal and Puget Sound shellfish fisheries

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.055, 77.12.045, 77.12.047

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: New rules and rule amendments are needed to enhance fishery monitoring and clarify existing rules. These new measures accomplish conservation objectives, advance achieving orderly fisheries, and improve the enforceability of current rules.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- Negotiated rule making
- Pilot rule making
- Agency study
- Other (describe)

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