



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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STATE OF WASHINGTON
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DATE: September 21, 2023

TIME: 2:45 PM

WSR 23-20-010

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order No. 23-211)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
 Later (specify) September 22, 2011

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes No If Yes, explain:

Purpose: This emergency rule is needed to open Lake Sammamish for Chinook retention

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New:
Repealed: WAC 220-312-04000T
Amended: WAC 220-312-040
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 needed to open Chinook retention in Lake Sammamish. Fish counts at Issaquah Hatchery and Ballard Locks indicate the Chinook return is strong enough to support a recreational fishery in Lake Sammamish.

**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Federal statute:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Federal rules or standards:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___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New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:

New	1	Amended		Repealed	1
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The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New	___	Amended	___	Repealed	___
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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 21, 2023

Name: Kelly Susewind

Title: Director

Signature:



NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-04000T Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound.

Effective September 22 through November 30, 2023, provisions of WAC 220-312-040 regarding recreational fishing seasons for Lake Sammamish shall be modified as described below. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-040 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule remain in effect:

Opens Lake Sammamish for Chinook retention. daily limit is 2 Chinook, minimum size 12 inches.

REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed effective December 1, 2023:

WAC 220-312-04000T Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules—Puget Sound.