



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

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

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DATE: March 18, 2025

TIME: 9:46 AM

WSR 25-07-091

Agency: Department of Fish and Wildlife (Order 25-45)

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- ☐ Immediately upon filing.
☒ Later (specify) April 1, 2025

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 closes fishing in Naselle River April 1 through April 15.

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Repealed: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 emergency rule closes fishing in Naselle River beginning April 1. This closure is needed as a conservation measure for protection of wild Steelhead. This closure will provide protection for steelhead during peak spawn timing and downstream kelt migration. There is insufficient time to adopt permanent rules.

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Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____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	New	_____	Amended _____ Repealed _____
The number of sections adopted on the agency’s own initiative:			
	New	1	Amended _____ Repealed _____
The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:			
	New	_____	Amended _____ Repealed _____
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: March 18, 2025		Signature: 	
Name: Kelly Susewind			
Title: Director			

NEW SECTION

WAC 220-312-02000V Freshwater exceptions to statewide rules – Coast.

Effective April 1 through April 15, 2025, the following provisions of WAC 220-312-020, regarding recreational fishing seasons for Naselle River shall be modified as described in this section. All other provisions of WAC 220-312-020 not addressed herein, or unless otherwise amended by emergency rule, remain in effect:

Naselle River, from the Highway 101 Bridge (mouth) to the North Fork: Closed waters.