Thomas Fulk Fidalgo Fly Fishers 1904 Piper Circle Anacortes, Wa 98221

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Greetings:

Enclosed is a proposal for rule change on fishing regulations. We are proposing changing the fishing season on Heart Lake, and Lake Erie in Skagit County to year round.

The present regulations provide for a season from the last Saturday in April to the end of October. The fishing season is closed from Nov. 1 to the April opening.

These two lakes offer an excellent venue for teaching fly fishing since there are large gravel parking lots extending to the waters edge. Disabled persons in wheel chairs, and young anglers can fish from shore unlike most lakes which have restricted shoreline access or require a boat.

I believe the City of Anacortes supports this proposal.

If you have questions I can be reached at 360 293 8368 or Bambooflyrods@comcast.net

Thomas Fulk, for the Fidalgo Fly Fishers

cc: Robin La Rue

attachment: Petition for rule change, etc.



CONTACT INFORMATION (please type or print)

PETITION FOR ADOPTION, AMENDMENT, OR REPEAL OF A STATE ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

Print Form

In accordance with <u>RCW 34.05.330</u>, the Office of Financial Management (OFM) created this form for individuals or groups who wish to petition a state agency or institution of higher education to adopt, amend, or repeal an administrative rule. You may use this form to submit your request. You also may contact agencies using other formats, such as a letter or email.

The agency or institution will give full consideration to your petition and will respond to you within 60 days of receiving your petition. For more information on the rule petition process, see Chapter 82-05 of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) at http://apps.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=82-05.

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COMPLETING AND SENDING PETITION FORM	
 Check all of the boxes that apply. 	
Provide relevant examples.	
• Include suggested language for a rule, if possible.	
Attach additional pages, if needed.	
 Send your petition to the agency with authority to a their rules coordinators: http://www.leg.wa.gov/Coordinators 	adopt or administer the rule. Here is a list of agencies and deReviser/Documents/RClist.htm.
INFORMATION ON RULE PETITION	
Agency responsible for adopting or administering the	e rule: Washington Fish and Game Commission
☐ 1. NEW RULE - I am requesting the agency to adopt a new rule.	
The subject (or purpose) of this rule is:	
The rule is needed because:	
☐ The new rule would affect the following peop	ble or groups:

List rule number (WAC), if known: (not known	/n)
✓ I am requesting the following change: CH	nange the fishing season on Heart Lake and Lake Erie in Skagit County to year around.
This change is needed because:	
te	It will provide more winter season fishing opportunities; 2. It will provide venues for eaching fly fishing to young anglers; 3. It will provide venues for teaching fly fishing to ounded vets.; 3. It will simplify rules because than all lakes on Fidalgo Island will
The rule is not clearly or simply stated: t	have the same season; 4. It will reduce adverse environment impacts of heavy use on the traditional "opening day."
☐ 3. REPEAL RULE - I am requesting the ag	gency to eliminate an existing rule.
List rule number (WAC), if known:	
(Check one or more boxes)	
☐ It does not do what it was intended to do	
☐ It is no longer needed because:	
☐ It imposes unreasonable costs:	
The agency has no authority to make this	s rule:
It is applied differently to public and private	ate parties:
It conflicts with another federal, state, or rule. List conflicting law or rule, if known	
It duplicates another federal, state or local List duplicate law or rule, if known:	al law or rule.
Other (please explain):	