

## Hunting Boundaries and Equipment

WAC 220-410-040, WAC 220-410-060, WAC 220-413-180  
WAC 220-414-070 and WAC 220-415-040

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## Summary Sheet

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**Meeting dates:** April 5-6, 2019

**Agenda item:** Hunting Boundaries and Equipment - Decision

**Presenter(s):** Brock Hoenes, Deer and Elk Section Manager, Game Division, Wildlife Program

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**Background summary:** Staff briefed the Commission on proposed amendments to WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region 4, WAC 220-410-060 GMU boundary descriptions-Region 6, WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions, and WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas.

- Clarify the boundary language for GMU 485 Green River and three neighboring GMUs (454 Issaquah, 466 Stampede, and 653 White River)
- Adjust the boundary of Elk Area 6054 to reduce the area it covers and to focus harvest in areas where elk conflict is the highest
- Add language to firearm restriction area descriptions in Grays Harbor and Pacific Counties to clarify that restrictions only apply during modern firearm general deer and/or elk seasons
- Clarify in the firearm restriction area descriptions for Pierce County that Key and Longbranch Peninsula are the same place

The Commission was petitioned in July 2018 to change WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements such that minimum arrow weight restrictions would be eliminated. Game Division staff examined this request and agrees WAC 220-414-070 should be amended for the following reasons:

- Washington is the only state that has a minimum arrow weight to draw weight ratio
- Washington is only 1 of 5 states that has a similar regulation of minimum overall weight of 300 grains
- With the advent and popularity of carbon arrows, it is likely most archery hunters are unknowingly in violation of the arrow weight to draw weight ratio restriction
- We have no information that indicates either of these restrictions increases the likelihood of an ethical kill

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**Policy issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration:**

- Maximize recreational elk hunting opportunity
- Continue sustainable hunting seasons for elk
- Address wildlife conflict issues by using recreational hunters whenever possible

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**Fiscal impacts of agency implementation:**

No fiscal impacts beyond the status quo.

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**Public involvement process used and what you learned:**

The department notified approximately 12,000 individuals and organizations informing them of the opportunity to provide comment on the proposed regulation amendments. Additionally, these individuals and organizations were informed of the opportunity to provide verbal testimony at the March 1-2, 2019 Commission meeting in Spokane.

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**Action requested:**

Adopt WACs 220-410-040, 220-410-060, 220-414-070, 220-415-040, and 220-413-180.

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**Draft motion language:**

I move to adopt WACs 220-415-040, 220-410-040, 220-410-060, 220-413-180, and 220-414-070 as presented.

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**Justification for Commission action:**

To provide sustainable hunting opportunities, consistent with achieving management objectives.

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**Post decision communications plan:**

WDFW Website

News Release

Hunting Regulations Pamphlet

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*Form revised 9/13/17*

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 17-05-112, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17)

**WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary**

**descriptions—Region four. GMU 407-NORTH SOUND (Whatcom, Skagit, Snohomish and King counties); (does not include Guemes Island):**

Beginning at the NW corner of Whatcom County line and the US-Canadian border; E on the US-Canadian border to a point due north of Silver Lake Rd; S to Silver Lake Rd; S on Silver Lake Rd to State Route (SR) 542 (Mount Baker Hwy); SW on SR 542 (Mount Baker Hwy) to Mosquito Lake Rd; S on Mosquito Lake Rd to SR 9 (Valley Hwy); S on SR 9 (Valley Hwy) to SR 20 in the town of Sedro-Woolley; W and S on SR 20 to SR 9; S on SR 9 to SR 530 at the town of Arlington; NE on SR 530 to Jim Creek-Trafton Rd at the Trafton School in the town of Trafton; SE along Jim Creek-Trafton Rd (242nd St. NE) to the City of Seattle power transmission line; SW on the transmission line to Jordan Rd in Section 20, T31N, R6E; SE along Jordan Rd to SR 92 at the town of Granite Falls; E on SR 92 to South Alder Ave; S on South Alder Ave to E Pioneer St; E on East Pioneer St to Menzel Lake Rd; SE on Menzel Lake Rd to North Lake Roesiger Rd; S on North Lake Roesiger Rd to South

Lake Roesiger Rd; S on South Lake Roesiger Rd to 242nd St SE; S on 242nd St SE to Woods Creek Rd; S on Woods Creek Rd to US Hwy 2 at the town of Monroe; W on US Hwy 2 to SR 203 at the town of Monroe; S on SR 203 to NE Woodinville-Duvall Rd at the town of Duvall; W on NE Woodinville-Duvall Rd to the Snoqualmie River; N down the Snoqualmie River to the Snohomish River; W down the Snohomish River to its mouth on the Puget Sound; W from the mouth of the Snohomish River to the northern tip of Gedney Island; due W from the northern tip of Gedney Island to a point on the Snohomish-Island County line; N along the Island-Snohomish County line in Possession Sound and Port Susan to Juniper Beach and N through Davis Slough to the Island-Snohomish-Skagit County junction; W and N along Island-Skagit County line through Skagit Bay and W through Deception Pass to San Juan-Skagit County line; N on the San Juan-Skagit County line to a point due West of Kelly's Point on Guemes Island; E from the San Juan-Skagit County line to Bellingham Channel, EXCLUDING Guemes Island; N through the middle of Bellingham Channel, then NE from Bellingham Channel to Carter Point on Lummi Island; NW from Carter Point to the Skagit-Whatcom County line; W along Skagit-Whatcom County line to the Whatcom-San Juan County line; NW along the Whatcom-San Juan County line to the US-Canadian border and the point of beginning.

**GMU 410-ISLANDS (San Juan and Skagit counties) EXCLUDING Orcas, San Juan, Lopez, Shaw, Blakely, Decatur, and Cypress Islands:**

Beginning at the junction of San Juan-Whatcom County lines and the US-Canadian border at the northernmost point in San Juan County; SE on the San Juan-Whatcom County line to the junction of San Juan-Whatcom-Skagit County lines; E on the Skagit-Whatcom County line to the first point where the Skagit-Whatcom County line turns SE; SE from the Skagit-Whatcom County line to Carter Point on Lummi Island; SW down the middle of Bellingham Channel to a point due W of Kelly's Point on Guemes Island and including Cypress Island; W to the Skagit-San Juan County line; S through Rosario Strait on the San Juan-Skagit County line to the San Juan-Skagit-Island County line; E on the Skagit-Island County line through Deception Pass and S through Skagit Bay to the Island-Snohomish-Skagit County junction; SE on the Island-Snohomish County line through Davis Slough, Juniper Beach, Port Susan, Possession Sound to the Island-Kitsap County line; NW on the Island-Kitsap-Jefferson County line through Puget Sound, Admiralty Inlet, and the Strait of Juan De Fuca; W on the Clallam-Jefferson-San Juan County lines to the US-Canadian border; N on the US-Canadian border, through Middle Bank, Haro Strait, and Boundary Pass, to the northernmost corner of San Juan-Whatcom County line and the point of beginning.

**GMU 411-ORCAS (San Juan County):**

Includes all of Orcas Island

**GMU 412-SHAW (San Juan County):**

Includes all of Shaw Island

**GMU 413-SAN JUAN (San Juan County):**

Includes all of San Juan Island

**GMU 414-LOPEZ (San Juan County):**

Includes all of Lopez Island

**GMU 415-BLAKELY (San Juan County):**

Includes all of Blakely Island

**GMU 416-DECATUR (San Juan County):**

Includes all of Decatur Island

**GMU 417-CYPRESS (Skagit County):**

Includes all of Cypress Island

**GMU 418-NOOKSACK (Whatcom and Skagit counties):**

Beginning at the US-Canadian border and the western border of the North Cascades National Park; S on the North Cascades National Park boundary to Noisy Diobsud Wilderness Area boundary; W and S on Noisy Diobsud Wilderness Area boundary to a point due E of the head waters of Watson Creek; W to the headwaters of Watson Creek; S down Watson

Creek to Thunder Creek; W down Thunder Creek to Baker River Rd; S along Baker River Rd to State Route (SR) 20 at the town of Concrete; W along SR 20 to SR 9 at the town of Sedro-Woolley; N along SR 9 to Mosquito Lake Rd; N on the Mosquito Lake Rd to SR 542 (Mount Baker Hwy); N on SR 542 to the Silver Lake Rd; N on the Silver Lake Rd to its northern most point; N from the Silver Lake Rd to the US-Canadian border; E on the US-Canadian border to the western border of the North Cascades National Park and the point of beginning.

**GMU 419-GUEMES (Skagit County):**

Includes all of Guemes Island

**GMU 420-WHIDBEY (Island County):**

Includes all of Whidbey Island

**GMU 421-CAMANO (Island County):**

Includes all of Camano Island

**GMU 422-VASHON-MAURY (King County):**

Includes all of Vashon and Maury Islands

~~((GMU 418-NOOKSACK (Whatcom and Skagit counties):~~

~~Beginning at the US-Canadian border and the western border of the North Cascades National Park; S on the North Cascades National Park boundary to Noisy Diobsud Wilderness Area boundary; W and S on Noisy~~



~~Diablos Wilderness Area boundary to a point due E of the head waters of Watson Creek; W to the headwaters of Watson Creek; S down Watson Creek to Thunder Creek; W down Thunder Creek to Baker River Rd; S along Baker River Rd to State Route (SR) 20 at the town of Concrete; W along SR 20 to SR 9 at the town of Sedro Woolley; N along SR 9 to Mosquito Lake Rd; N on the Mosquito Lake Rd to SR 542 (Mount Baker Hwy); N on SR 542 to the Silver Lake Rd; N on the Silver Lake Rd to its northern most point; N from the Silver Lake Rd to the US Canadian border; E on the US Canadian border to the western border of the North Cascades National Park and the point of beginning.))~~

**GMU 426-DIABLO (Skagit and Whatcom counties):**

Beginning at the US-Canadian border and the western boundary of the Ross Lake National Recreation Area; S on the Ross Lake National Recreation Area boundary, across SR 20 (North Cascades Hwy) and Skagit River, then NE and E on the Ross Lake National Recreation Area boundary to a point 2 miles east of Panther Creek, where the recreation boundary connects with the Okanogan National Forest boundary; S on North Cascades National Park boundary to the Skagit-Chelan County line at Fisher Peak; SE along the Skagit-Chelan County line to the US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail); N on the USFS Trail 2000 to the Pasayten

Wilderness boundary at Jim Pass; W along the Pasayten Wilderness boundary to the Ross Lake National Recreation Area boundary; N along the Ross Lake National Recreation Area-Pasayten Wilderness Area boundary to the US-Canadian border; W along the US-Canadian border to the NW corner of the Ross Lake National Recreation Area and the point of beginning.

**GMU 437-SAUK (Skagit and Snohomish counties):**

Beginning at the intersection of State Route (SR) 9 and SR 20, W of the town of Sedro-Woolley; E along SR 20 to Baker River Rd at the town of Concrete; N on Baker River Rd to Thunder Creek; E up Thunder Creek to Watson Creek; N up Watson Creek to its headwaters; E from the headwaters of Watson Creek to Noisy Diobsud Wilderness boundary; N and E on Noisy Diobsud Wilderness boundary to North Cascades National Park boundary; S and E along the North Cascades National Park boundary to the Ross Lake National Recreation boundary; S along the Ross Lake National Recreation Area boundary, across the SR 20 (North Cascade Hwy) and the Skagit River, then E along the Ross Lake National Recreation Area boundary to the North Cascades National Park boundary near Big Devil Peak; SE on the North Cascades National Park boundary to the Cascade River Rd; S on Cascade River Rd to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 1590; S on USFS Rd 1590 to USFS Trail 769 (South Fork

Cascade River Trail); S on USFS Trail 769 to the Glacier Peak Wilderness Area boundary; W and S on Glacier Peak Wilderness Area Boundary to the Suiattle River; W down the Suiattle River to the Sauk River; N on the Sauk River to SR 530 (Sauk Valley Rd); S on SR 530 to the town of Darrington; W on SR 530 to SR 9 at the town of Arlington; N on SR 9 to SR 20, W of the town of Sedro-Woolley, and the point of beginning.

**GMU 448-STILLAGUAMISH (Snohomish and Skagit counties):**

Beginning at the intersection of State Route (SR) 530 (Arlington-Darrington Hwy) and Jim Creek Rd at the town of Trafton; NE on SR 530 to the town of Darrington, where it is called Seeman St; N on SR 530 (Sauk Valley Rd) to the Sauk River; S on the Sauk River to Suiattle River; E along the Suiattle River to the Glacier Peak Wilderness Area boundary; S on the Glacier Peak Wilderness Area boundary to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 650, West of June Mountain; W on the (USFS) Trail 650 to (USFS) Trail 1050 (Quartz Creek Trail) at Curry Gap; S on the USFS Trail 1050 to USFS Rd 6300; E on USFS Rd 6300 to USFS Trail 1051; NE on Trail 1051 to Henry M. Jackson Wilderness boundary; S along the Henry M. Jackson Wilderness boundary to Meadow Creek; S down Meadow Creek to Rapid River; E up Rapid River to USFS Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) at Lake Janus; S on the USFS 2000 to SR 2

at Stevens Pass; W on SR 2 to Woods Creek Rd at the town of Monroe; N on Woods Creek Rd to 242nd St SE; N on 242nd St SE to South Lake Roesiger Rd; N on South Lake Roesiger Rd to North Lake Roesiger Rd; N on North Lake Roesiger Rd to Menzel Lake Rd; N on Menzel Lake Rd to East Pioneer St; W on East Pioneer St to South Alder Ave; N on South Alder Ave to SR 92 (E Stanley St); W on SR 92 to Jordan Rd; NW on Jordan Rd, through the town of Jordan, to the City of Seattle power transmission lines; NE on the transmission lines to Jim Creek-Trafton Rd (242nd St. NE); W on Jim Creek-Trafton Rd to SR 530 at the town of Trafton and the point of beginning.

**GMU 450-CASCADE (Skagit and Snohomish counties):**

Beginning on the Glacier Peak Wilderness boundary and Jordan Creek, W of Jordan Lakes; N and E on the wilderness boundary to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 769; N on USFS Trail 769 to USFS Rd 1590; N on USFS Rd 1590 to the USFS Rd 15 (Cascade River Rd); N on USFS Rd 15 to the North Cascades National Park boundary; E on the North Cascades National Park boundary to USFS Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail); S on USFS Trail 2000 to the Rapid River at Lake Janus; NW down the Rapid River to Meadow Creek; N up Meadow Creek to Henry M. Jackson Wilderness Area boundary; N along the Henry M. Jackson Wilderness boundary to USFS Trail 1051; S on USFS Trail 1051 to USFS

Rd 6300; W on USFS Rd 6300 to USFS Trail 1050; N on USFS Trail 1050 to USFS Trail 650 at Curry Gap; E on USFS Trail 650 to the Glacier Peak Wilderness boundary west of June Mountain; N on the Glacier Peak Wilderness boundary, across the Suiattle River, to Jordan Creek and the point of beginning.

**GMU 454-ISSAQUAH (King and Snohomish counties); (does not include Vashon-Maury Island):**

Beginning at the mouth of the Snohomish River at the city of Everett; SE up the Snohomish River to the Snoqualmie River; SE up the Snoqualmie River to NE Woodinville-Duvall Rd; E on NE Woodinville-Duvall Rd to State Route (SR) 203 at the town of Duvall; S on SR 203 to SR 202 (Fall City-Snoqualmie Rd) at the town of Fall City; S on SR 202 (Fall City-Snoqualmie Rd)((~~7~~)) across the Snoqualmie River, to Preston-Fall City Rd; SW on Preston-Fall City Rd to SE 82nd St at the town of Preston; E on SE 82nd St to Interstate Hwy (I)-90; E on I-90 to SR 18; S on SR 18 to the Raging River; SE along the Raging River to Kerriston Rd; S on Kerriston Rd to the City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed boundary; W, S and E along the Cedar River Watershed boundary to ((~~US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 5100; S along USFS Rd 5100 to the posted boundary of the Green River Watershed; S along the posted boundary of the Green River Watershed to the USFS Rd 5410; S on~~

~~USFS Rd 5410 to USFS Rd 5400; E on USFS Rd 5400 to the junction with posted boundary of the Green River Watershed; S on the posted Tacoma Green River Watershed boundary))~~ the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed; W, S and E along the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed to USFS Rd 7110 (Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 5200 line) near Lynn Lake; SW on USFS Rd 7110 (Weyco 5200 line) to SR 410; W on SR 410 to SR 164 at the city of Enumclaw; W on SR 164 to SR 18 at the city of Auburn; W on SR 18 to SR 99; N on SR 99 to SR 509; W on SR 509 to Redondo Way South; NW on Redondo Way South to the town of Redondo on Puget Sound; SW across East Passage to the Pierce-King County line at the point where the county line turns southeast, northwest of Dash Point; W and N along the King County line, EXCLUDING Vashon-Maury Island; to the King, Snohomish, and Kitsap counties line junction in the Puget Sound west of Point Wells; N on the Snohomish County line through Possession Sound to a point on the Snohomish County line due west of the northern tip of Gedney Island (Hat Island); E to the northern tip of Gedney Island; E from the northern tip of Gedney Island to the mouth of the Snohomish River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 460-SNOQUALMIE (King and Snohomish counties):**

Beginning at State Route (SR) 203 and SR 2 at the town of Monroe; E on SR 2 to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) at Stevens Pass; S on the USFS Trail 2000 to the City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed; W on the Cedar River Watershed boundary to Kerriston Rd; N on Kerriston Rd to the Raging River; W and N along the Raging River to SR 18; N on SR 18 to Interstate Hwy (I)-90; W on I-90 to SE 82nd St at the town of Preston; NE on SE 82nd St to Preston-Fall City Rd; N on the Preston-Fall City Rd to SR 202 (Fall City-Snoqualmie Rd); N on SR 202 (Fall City-Snoqualmie Rd), across the Snoqualmie River, to SR 203; N on SR 203 to SR 2 at the town of Monroe and the point of beginning.

**GMU 466-STAMPEDE (King County):**

Beginning on the US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) and the east boundary of the City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed; S on the USFS Trail 2000, past Blowout Mountain, to USFS Rd 7038 at its closest point to the USFS Trail 2000 near Windy Gap north of Pyramid Peak; NW on USFS Rd 7038 to USFS Rd 7036; NW on USFS Rd 7036 to USFS Rd 7030; NW on USFS Rd 7030 to USFS Rd 7032; NW on USFS Rd 7032 to USFS Trail 1172; W on USFS Trail 1172 to ((~~about 1/4 mile past Williams Hole to the posted boundary of the City of Tacoma Green River Watershed; N on the posted City of Tacoma~~))

the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed; N, W and E along the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed ((boundary)) to the City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed boundary; N along City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed boundary to USFS Trail 2000 and the point of beginning.

**GMU 485-GREEN RIVER (King County):**

~~((Beginning at the junction of NW corner of the city of Tacoma Green River Watershed and US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 5100; E on the boundary between the Green River Watershed and the Cedar River Watershed to USFS Rd 5060; S on Rd 5060 to the posted boundary of the Green River Watershed; along the southern boundary of the Green River Watershed over Huckleberry Mountain and Grass Mountain to the USFS Rd 5400; NW along USFS Rd 5400 to USFS Rd 5410; N along USFS Rd 5410 to posted boundary of the City of Tacoma Green River Watershed; N along the posted boundary of the City of Tacoma Green River Watershed to USFS 5100; N along USFS Rd 5100 to City of Tacoma Green River Watershed and City of Seattle Cedar River Watershed border and the point of beginning.))~~ The area within the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed; including the posted southern boundary of the City of



Seattle Cedar River Watershed found between the E and W posted GMU 485 boundary lines.

**GMU 490-CEDAR RIVER (King County):**

The area within the posted boundary of the city of Seattle's Cedar River Watershed.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-410-040, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.240, and 77.32.070. WSR 13-11-078 (Order 13-94), § 232-28-334, filed 5/16/13, effective 6/16/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 11-11-013 (Order 11-86), § 232-28-334, filed 5/6/11, effective 6/6/11; WSR 03-16-087 (Order 03-175), § 232-28-334, filed 8/5/03, effective 9/5/03; WSR 03-06-110 (Order 03-23), § 232-28-334, filed 3/5/03, effective 4/5/03.]

## **Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:**

### WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region 4

#### **Supporting Comments:**

We received one comment in support of the proposal, but it only stated that all boundaries should be associated with roads, rivers, and other easy to identify landmarks.

#### **Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:**

There were no opposing or neutral comments.

#### **Direction and Rationale:**

The department will move forward with the recommendation to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 17-05-112, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17)

**WAC 220-410-060 Game management units (GMUs) boundary**

**descriptions—Region six. GMU 601-HOKO (Clallam County):**

Beginning on the Makah Indian reservation boundary and the Strait of Juan de Fuca; SE along the shore of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the mouth of the Hoko River; S along the Hoko River to State Route (SR) 112; SE on SR 112 to the Hoko-Ozette Rd; SW on the Hoko-Ozette Rd to the Olympic National Park boundary near Ozette; N along the Olympic National Park boundary to the Makah Indian reservation boundary; E and N along the Makah Indian reservation boundary to the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the point of beginning.

**GMU 602-DICKEY (Clallam County):**

Beginning at the mouth of the Hoko River and the Strait of Juan de Fuca; SE along the shore of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the mouth of the Clallam River; S along the Clallam River to State Route (SR) 112; S on SR 112 to SR 113 (Burnt Mountain Rd); S on SR 113 to US Hwy (US) 101 at the town of Sappho; SW on US 101 to the LaPush Rd; SW on LaPush Rd to the Olympic National Park boundary; N along the Olympic National

Park boundary to Hoko-Ozette Rd; NE on Hoko-Ozette Rd to SR 112; NW on SR 112 to the Hoko River; NW on the Hoko River to its mouth on the Strait of Juan De Fuca and the point of beginning.

**GMU 603-PYSHT (Clallam County):**

Beginning at the mouth of the Clallam River on Strait of Juan de Fuca; E along the shore of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the mouth of the Elwha River; S along the Elwha River to the Olympic National Park boundary; W along the Olympic National Park boundary to one mile west of Lake Crescent; S on the Olympic National Park boundary to US Hwy (US) 101; W on US 101 to the State Route (SR) 113 (Burnt Mountain Rd); N on SR 113 to SR 112; N on SR 112 to the Clallam River; N along the Clallam River to its mouth and the point of beginning.

**GMU 607-SOL DUC (Clallam County):**

Beginning at US Hwy (US) 101 at the town of Sappho; E on US 101 to the Olympic National Park boundary; S and W along the Olympic National Park boundary to the Bogachiel River; W along the Bogachiel River to US 101; N on US 101, through the town of Forks, to the town of Sappho and the point of beginning.

**GMU 612-GOODMAN (Jefferson and Clallam counties):**

Beginning approximately two miles east of the town of LaPush on the Olympic National Park boundary and LaPush Rd intersection; NE on LaPush Rd to US Hwy (US) 101 at the town of Forks; S on US 101, across the Hoh River, and west to Olympic National Park Boundary; N on the Olympic National Park boundary to LaPush Rd and the point of beginning.

**GMU 615-CLEARWATER (Jefferson County):**

Beginning on US Hwy (US) 101 and the Bogachiel River; E along the Bogachiel River to the Olympic National Park boundary; SE and W on the Olympic National Park boundary to the Quinault Indian reservation boundary; W on the Quinault Indian reservation boundary to the Olympic National Park boundary; N along the Olympic National Park boundary to US 101; E, N, and W on US 101 to the Bogachiel River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 618-MATHENY (Jefferson and Grays Harbor counties):**

Beginning at the boundary junction of Olympic National Park and the Quinault Indian reservation, east of the Queets River Rd; N, E, S, and W along the Olympic National Park boundary to the park and Quinault Indian reservation boundary junction, north of Lake Quinault; NW along the Quinault Indian reservation boundary to its junction with the boundary of Olympic National Park, east of the Queets River Rd, and

the point of beginning, including the Olympic National Forest land and private land one mile west of Lake Quinault and bounded by the Olympic National Park and the Quinault Indian reservation.

**GMU 621-OLYMPIC (Jefferson, Clallam, and Mason counties):**

Beginning at the Olympic National Park boundary and the Elwha River; N along the Elwha River to US Hwy (US) 101; E on US 101, through Port Angeles and Sequim, to the Chimacum Center Rd at the town of Quilcene; N on the Chimacum Center Rd to the East Quilcene Rd; E on the East Quilcene Rd to Quilcene Bay; S along the shore of Quilcene Bay to Dabob Bay; S along the shore of Dabob Bay to Hood Canal; SW along the shore of Hood Canal to Finch Creek; upstream on Finch Creek to US 101; S on US 101 to State Route (SR) 119 (Lake Cushman Rd); W on SR 119 to Standstill Dr (Power Dam Rd); W on Standstill Dr to Upper Cushman Dam and the shore of Lake Cushman; NW on the west shore of Lake Cushman to the North Fork Skokomish River; N along the North Fork Skokomish River to the Olympic National Park boundary; N and W on the Olympic National Park boundary to the Elwha River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 624-COYLE (Clallam and Jefferson counties):**

Beginning at the mouth of the Elwha River on the Strait of Juan de Fuca; N from the mouth of the Elwha River to the Clallam county line in the Strait of Juan De Fuca; NE on the Clallam county line to

Clallam-San Juan county line; NE on the Clallam-San Juan county line to the Jefferson-San Juan county line; NE on the Jefferson-San Juan county line to the Jefferson-Island county line; S then SE on the Jefferson-Island county line to the Kitsap-Island county line; SE on the Kitsap-Island county line to a point due east of Point No Point; W from the Kitsap-Island county line to Point No Point; NW, S, N, and SW along the coast of the Kitsap peninsula to Cougar Spit; W from Cougar Spit to Finch Creek at the town of Hoodspport; NE along the east shore of Hood Canal to Dabob Bay; N along the shore of Dabob Bay and Quilcene Bay to East Quilcene Rd; W on East Quilcene Rd to the Chimacum Center Rd; S on Chimacum Center Rd to US Hwy (US) 101; N and W on US 101 through Sequim and Port Angeles to the Elwha River; N down the Elwha River to its mouth on the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the point of beginning.

**GMU 627-KITSAP (Kitsap, Mason, and Pierce counties):**

Beginning at the Hood Canal Bridge; E, S, N, and SE along the shore of the Kitsap peninsula to Point No Point; due E from Point No Point to Kitsap-Island county line in the Puget Sound; S along the Kitsap-Island county line to the Kitsap-Snohomish county line; S along the Kitsap-Snohomish county line to Kitsap-King county line; S along the Kitsap-King county line to the King-Pierce county line; S on the King-

Pierce county line to the outlet of the Tacoma Narrows; S through the Tacoma Narrows, past Fox Island (which is included in this GMU), to Carr Inlet; NW up Carr Inlet around McNeil and Gertrude Islands (which are excluded from this GMU), to Pitt Passage; SW through Pitt Passage and Drayton Passage to the Pierce-Thurston county line in the Nisqually Reach; NW along the Pierce-Thurston county line to the Pierce-Mason county line; NW on the Pierce-Mason county line in the Nisqually Reach to North Bay; along the east shore of North Bay to State Route (SR) 3 at the town of Allyn; N on SR 3 to the Old Belfair Hwy at the town of Belfair; N on the Old Belfair Hwy to the Bear Creek-Dewatto Rd; W on the Bear Creek-Dewatto Rd to the Dewatto Rd West; N along the Dewatto Rd to Albert Pfundt Rd; N on the Albert Pfundt Rd to Anderson Creek; E down Anderson Creek to the east shore of the Hood Canal; N from Anderson Creek along the east shore of Hood Canal to the Hood Canal bridge and the point of beginning.

**GMU 633-MASON (Mason and Kitsap counties):**

Beginning at the mouth of Anderson Creek on the eastern shore of Hood Canal; W along Anderson Creek to Albert Pfundt Rd; S on the Albert Pfundt Rd to West Dewatto Rd; S on West Dewatto Rd to Bear Creek-Dewatto Rd; E along Bear Creek-Dewatto Rd to Old Belfair Hwy; S on Old Belfair Hwy to State Route (SR) 3 at the town of Belfair; S on SR 3 to



North Bay at the town of Allyn; N along the west shore of North Bay; S along the east shore of North Bay to Pierce-Mason county line at Case Inlet; SE along the Pierce-Mason county line through Case Inlet to the Mason-Thurston county line; W along the Mason-Thurston county line through Dana Passage, Squaxin Passage, and Totten Inlet to US Hwy (US) 101 at Oyster Bay; N on US 101 to Finch Creek at the town of Hoodspport; E from Finch Creek across Hood Canal to Cougar Spit on the east shore of the Hood Canal; N from Cougar Spit along the east shore of Hood Canal to the mouth of Anderson Creek and the point of beginning.

**GMU 636-SKOKOMISH (Grays Harbor and Mason counties):**

Beginning on the Olympic National Park boundary and the North Fork of the Skokomish River; S along the North Fork Skokomish River to Lake Cushman; SE along the west shore of Lake Cushman to Standstill Dr (Power Dam Rd) at the Upper Cushman Dam; E on the Standstill Dr to State Route (SR) 119 (Lake Cushman Rd); SE on SR 119 to US Hwy (US) 101 at the town of Hoodspport; S on US 101 to the Shelton-Matlock Rd at the town of Shelton; W on the Shelton-Matlock Rd to the Matlock-Brady Rd; S on the Matlock-Brady Rd to Deckerville Rd south of the town of Matlock; W on Deckerville Rd to Boundary Rd (Middle Satsop Rd); W and S on Boundary Rd to Kelly Rd; N on Kelly Rd to US Forest Service

(USFS) Rd 2368 (Simpson Timber 500 line); N on USFS Rd 2368 to USFS Rd 2260 (Simpson Timber 600 line); W on USFS Rd 2260 to USFS Rd 22 (Wynoochee Rd); NW and W on USFS Rd 22 to USFS Rd 2294, 1/4 mile east of Big Creek; NW on USFS Rd 2294, which parallels Big Creek, to junction with USFS Rd 2281; W on USFS Rd 2281, to the watershed divide between the Humptulips River watershed and the Wynoochee River watershed; N on the ridge between the Humptulips River watershed and Wynoochee River watershed to Olympic National Park boundary; E along the Olympic National Park boundary to the north fork of the Skokomish River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 638-QUINAULT RIDGE (Grays Harbor and Jefferson counties):**

Beginning on the Olympic National Park boundary and the Quinault Indian reservation boundary at the northwest corner of Lake Quinault; NE along the west shore of Lake Quinault to the Quinault River; NE on the Olympic National Park boundary, which is along the Quinault River, to the Olympic National Park boundary west of Bunch Creek; S and NE on the Olympic National Park boundary to the ridge between the Wynoochee River watershed and Humptulips River watershed; S along the ridge between the Humptulips River watershed and the Wynoochee River watershed to its intersection with US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 2281; E along USFS Rd 2281 to USFS Rd 2294; SE on USFS Rd 2294, paralleling

Big Creek, to USFS Rd 22 (Donkey Creek Rd); W on the USFS Rd 22 to US Hwy (US) 101; N on US 101 to the Quinault Indian reservation boundary; NE on the reservation boundary to Lake Quinault; NW along the south shore of Lake Quinault to the Olympic National Park boundary and the point of beginning.

**GMU 642-COPALIS (Grays Harbor County):**

Beginning at the Quinault Indian reservation and US Hwy (US) 101 south of Lake Quinault; S on US 101 to the Hoquiam River in the city of Hoquiam; S along the Hoquiam River to the north shore of Grays Harbor; W along the north shore of Grays Harbor to the Pacific Ocean; N along the shore of the Pacific Ocean to the Quinault Indian reservation boundary; E and NE along the Quinault Indian reservation to US 101 south of Lake Quinault and the point of beginning.

**GMU 648-WYNOOCHEE (Grays Harbor County):**

Beginning at the junction of US Hwy (US) 101 and the US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 22 (Donkey Creek Rd); NE along the USFS Rd 22 (Donkey Creek Rd) to its junction with the Donkey Creek-Grisdale Rd; E on USFS Rd 22 (Donkey Creek-Grisdale Rd) to Camp Grisdale (south of Wynoochee Lake); S along USFS Rd 22 (Wynoochee Rd) to USFS Rd 2260 (Simpson Timber 600 line); E on USFS Rd 2260 to USFS Rd 2368 (Simpson Timber 500 line); S on USFS Rd 2368 to Kelly Rd; S on Kelly Rd to Boundary Rd (Middle

Satsop Rd); S on Boundary Rd to Cougar Smith Rd; W on Cougar Smith Rd to the west fork of the Satsop River; S down the west fork Satsop River to the Satsop River; S down the Satsop River to US 12; W along US 12 to its junction with US 101 in the town of Aberdeen; SE along US 101 to the north shore of the Chehalis River; W along the north shore of the Chehalis River to the north shore of Grays Harbor; W along the north shore of Grays Harbor to the mouth of the Hoquiam River; N up the Hoquiam River to US 101; W and N along US 101 to its junction with the USFS Rd 22 (Donkey Creek Rd) and the point of beginning. INCLUDES Rennie Island.

**GMU 651-SATSOP (Grays Harbor, Mason, and Thurston counties):**

Beginning at the US Hwy (US) 12 bridge on the Satsop River; N up the Satsop River to its junction with the west fork of the Satsop River; N up the west fork of the Satsop River to Cougar Smith Rd; E on Cougar Smith Rd to Boundary Rd (Middle Satsop Rd); N and E on Boundary Rd to Deckerville Rd; E on Deckerville Rd to Matlock-Brady Rd; N on Matlock-Brady Rd to the town of Matlock; E on Shelton-Matlock Rd to its junction with US 101 west of the town of Shelton; S on US 101 to its junction with State Route (SR) 8; W on SR 8 to its junction with US 12; W along US 12 to bridge over the Satsop River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 652-PUYALLUP (Pierce and King counties); (does not include Anderson Island):**

Beginning at Redondo Junction on the shore of Puget Sound and Redondo Way S; SE on Redondo Way S to State Route (SR) 509; E on SR 509 to Pacific Hwy S (Old Hwy 99); S on Pacific Hwy S to SR 18 at the city of Auburn; E on SR 18 to SR 164; SE on SR 164 to SR 410 (Chinook Pass Hwy) at the town of Enumclaw; E on SR 410 to the second set of power transmission lines near the Mud Mountain Dam Rd; SW on the power transmission lines to the White River; NW along the White River to SR 410; S on SR 410 to SR 165; S on SR 165 to the first intersection with a power transmission line at T19N, R06E, Sec 21; SW on this power transmission line to Orville Rd E at the Puyallup River; S on Orville Rd E to SR 161; S on SR 161 to the Mashel River; down the Mashel River to the Nisqually River (Pierce-Thurston county line); NW along the Nisqually River, along the Pierce-Thurston county line, to the Nisqually Reach in the Puget Sound; NW along the Thurston-Pierce county line in the Nisqually Reach to a point on the Thurston-Pierce county line southeast of Drayton Passage Channel; NE through Drayton Passage and Pitt Passage to Carr Inlet; E and S around McNeil Island to a point southwest of the Tacoma Narrows (including McNeil, Gertrude, and Ketron Islands); NE through the Tacoma Narrows to a

point on the Pierce-King county line northeast of the main channel of the Tacoma Narrows; E on the Pierce-King county line to the point where the county line turns southeast, northwest of Dash Point; E to Redondo Junction on the eastern shore of the Puget Sound and the point of beginning.

**GMU 653-WHITE RIVER (King and Pierce counties):**

Beginning at the lookout station at US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 7110 (Grass Mountain mainline) and the ~~((city of Tacoma))~~ posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed ((boundary)); E on the posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed ~~((boundary))~~ to USFS Rd 7032; E along USFS Rd 7032 to USFS Rd 7030; SE along USFS Rd 7030 to USFS Rd 7036; SE along USFS Rd 7036 to USFS Rd 7038; SE on USFS Rd 7038 to USFS Trail 2000 (Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail) at its closest point to USFS Rd 7038 near Windy Gap north of Pyramid Peak; S on the USFS Trail 2000 to Pierce-Yakima County Line (Cascades Crest) in T17N, R10E, Sec 35; S on the county line to the Mt. Rainier National Park boundary in T17 R, R10E, Sec 35; S on the park boundary to Chinook Pass; N and W on the Mt. Rainier National Park boundary to the Carbon River; NW down the Carbon River to the power transmission line at T19N, R06E, Sec 21; NE along the

power transmission line to SR 165; NE on SR 165 to SR 410; NE on SR 410 to the White River; SE along the White River to the power transmission lines on the north side of the White River near Mud Mountain Dam Rd; NE on the power transmission lines to State Route (SR) 410; E on SR 410 to USFS Rd 7110; N on USFS Rd 7110 to the ((~~city of Tacoma~~)) posted GMU 485 boundary encompassing the controlled access portion of the Green River Watershed and the point of beginning.

**GMU 654-MASHEL (Pierce County):**

Beginning at the power transmission line at the Puyallup River Bridge on Orville Rd E; NE on the power line to the Carbon River; SE along the Carbon River to the west boundary of Mt. Rainier National Park; S on the Mt. Rainier National Park boundary to the Nisqually River; W down the Nisqually River to the mouth of the Mashel River; N up the Mashel River to the State Route (SR) 161 bridge (Eatonville-LaGrande Rd); N on SR 161 through Eatonville to Orville Rd E; N on Orville Rd E to the Puyallup River bridge and the point of beginning.

**GMU 655-ANDERSON (Pierce County):**

Includes all of Anderson Island.

**GMU 658-NORTH RIVER (Grays Harbor and Pacific counties):**

Beginning at the Pacific Ocean and the south shore of Grays Harbor at the Westport Jetty; E along the south shore of Grays Harbor to the mouth of the Chehalis River at the town of Aberdeen; E up the Chehalis River to the US Hwy (US) 101 bridge; S on US 101 to the Willapa River at the town of Raymond; W down the Willapa River to Willapa Bay; W along the north shore of Willapa Bay to the Pacific Ocean; N along the Pacific Coast to the south shore of Grays Harbor at the Westport Jetty and the point of beginning.

**GMU 660-MINOT PEAK (Grays Harbor and Pacific counties):**

Beginning at the intersection of US Hwy (US) 12 and US 101 at the town of Aberdeen; E and S on US 12 to N State St at the town of Oakville; S on N State St to South Bank Rd; W on South Bank Rd to Garrard Creek Rd; SW on Garrard Creek Rd to Oakville-Brooklyn Rd; W on Oakville-Brooklyn Rd to North River Valley Rd; W on North River Valley Rd to Smith Creek Rd; W on Smith Creek Rd to US 101; N on US 101 to US 12 at the town of Aberdeen and the point of beginning.

**GMU 663-CAPITOL PEAK (Grays Harbor and Thurston counties):**

Beginning at US Hwy (US) 12 and State Route (SR) 8 at the town of Elma; E on SR 8 to US 101; E on US 101 to Delphi Rd SW; S on Delphi Road SW to 110th Ave SW; E on 110th Ave SW to Littlerock Rd; S on



Littlerock Rd to US 12; NW on US 12 to SR 8 at the town of Elma and the point of beginning.

**GMU 666-DESCHUTES (Thurston County):**

Beginning on US Hwy (US) 101 at the Mason-Thurston county line southeast of Oyster Bay; NE on the Mason-Thurston county line, through Totten Inlet, Squaxin Passage and Dana Passage, to the Pierce-Thurston county line in the Nisqually Reach; SE through the Nisqually Reach along the Pierce-Thurston county line to the mouth of the Nisqually River; SE on the Nisqually River to State Route (SR) 507; SW on SR 507 to Old Hwy 99 SE at the town of Tenino; SW on Old Hwy 99 SE to SR 12 at Interstate Hwy-5; W on SR 12 to Littlerock Rd; N on the Littlerock Rd to 110th Ave SW; W on 110th Ave SW to Delphi Rd SW; N on Delphi Rd SW to US 101; NW on US 101 to the Mason-Thurston county line southeast of Oyster Bay and the point of beginning.

**GMU 667-SKOOKUMCHUCK (Thurston and Lewis counties):**

Beginning at the State Route (SR) 507 bridge on the Nisqually River; SE up the Nisqually River (Pierce-Thurston county line) to SR 7 bridge at the town of Elbe on Alder Lake; S on SR 7 to Main St at the town of Morton; S on Main St to SR 508; W on SR 508 to the Centralia-Alpha Rd; W and N on the Centralia-Alpha Rd to Salzer Valley Rd; W on Salzer Valley Rd to Summa St at the town of Centralia; W on Summa St to

Kresky Rd; N on Kresky Rd to Tower St; N on Tower St to SR 507; W on SR 507 (Cherry St, Alder St, and Mellen St) to Interstate Hwy (I)-5; N on I-5 to Old Hwy 99 SE; NE on Old Hwy 99 SE to SR 507; NE on SR 507 to the Nisqually River bridge and the point of beginning.

**GMU 672-FALL RIVER (Pacific, Lewis, and Grays Harbor counties):**

Beginning at the intersection of US Hwy (US) 101 and State Route (SR) 6 at the town of Raymond; N on US 101 to Smith Creek Rd; NE on Smith Creek Rd to North River Valley Rd; E on North River Valley Rd to Oakville-Brooklyn Rd; E on the Oakville-Brooklyn Rd to Garrard Creek Rd; S on Garrard Creek Rd to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) C line at mile post 5; W on the Weyco C line to Weyco 723 line; S on the Weyco 723 line to Weyco 720 line; W on the Weyco 720 line to Weyco 7800 F line; S on Weyco 7800 F line to Weyco 7800 line; S and SE on Weyco 7800 line to Weyco 7000 line; SW on Weyco 7000 line to Weyco 7050 line; S on Weyco 7050 line to Weyco 7400 line; S and E on Weyco 7400 line to Weyco 7000 line; E on Weyco 7000 line to Elk Creek Rd; E on Elk Creek Rd to Stevens Rd at the town of Doty; E on Stevens Rd to SR 6; S, W and NW on SR 6 to US 101 at the town of Raymond and the point of beginning.

**GMU 673-WILLIAMS CREEK (Pacific County):**

Beginning at US Hwy (US) 101 bridge crossing the Willapa River at the town of Raymond; S on US 101 to State Route (SR) 6; SE on SR 6 to the

Trap Creek A line; S and W on the Trap Creek A line to power transmission lines; S and SW on the power transmission lines to Weyerhaeuser (Weyco) 5800 line (Section 22, T11N, R8W); SW along the Weyco 5800 line to Weyco 5000 line (Deep River main line); SW on the Weyco 5000 line to the Salmon Creek Rd; SW along the Salmon Creek Rd to SR 4; W on SR 4 to US 101 at Johnson's Landing; W on US 101 to the Naselle River bridge; W down the Naselle River to Willapa Bay; N along the east shore of Willapa Bay to the Willapa River; SE and NE up the Willapa River to the US 101 bridge and the point of beginning.

**GMU 681-BEAR RIVER (Pacific and Wahkiakum counties):**

Beginning at the US Hwy (US) 101 bridge at the Naselle River; E on US 101 to State Route (SR) 4; SE on SR 4 to Deep River bridge; S down the Deep River to the Columbia River; W along the shore of the Columbia River to the mouth of the Wallacut River (including all islands in the Columbia both north of the Washington-Oregon state line and between the Deep River and the Wallacut River); N up the Wallacut River to US 101; NW on US 101 to alternate US 101, north of the Ilwaco Airport; N on alternate US 101 to US 101; E and NE on US 101 to Bear River; N down Bear River to Willapa Bay; N along the eastern shore of Willapa Bay to the mouth of the Naselle River; SE up the Naselle River to the US 101 bridge and the point of beginning.

**GMU 684-LONG BEACH (Pacific County):**

Beginning at the mouth of Bear River on Willapa Bay; S up Bear River to US Hwy (US) 101; W and SW on US 101 to alternate US 101, north of the Ilwaco Airport; S on alternate US 101 to US 101; W on US 101 to the Wallacut River; S along the Wallacut River to the Columbia River; W down the Columbia River to its mouth on the Pacific Ocean (including all islands in the Columbia River both north of the Washington-Oregon state line and between the Wallacut River and the mouth of the Columbia River); N, E, S, and E along the shoreline of the Long Beach peninsula to Bear River and the point of beginning.

**GMU 699-LONG ISLAND (Pacific County):**

Includes all of Long Island.

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Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 06-02-063 (Order 05-271), § 232-28-336,  
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336, filed 3/5/03, effective 4/5/03.]

**Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:**

WAC 220-410-060 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region 6

**Supporting Comments:**

There were no supporting comments.

**Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:**

There were no opposing or neutral comments.

**Direction and Rationale:**

The department will move forward with the recommendation to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-11-061, filed 5/11/18, effective 6/11/18)

**WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas.**

(1) **RESTRICTED HUNTING AREAS.**

It is unlawful to hunt in the following restricted hunting areas unless otherwise provided:

(a) Parker Lake (GMU 117, Pend Oreille County): All lands south of Ruby Creek Road (USFS Road 2489), north of Tacoma Creek Road (USFS Road 2389), and west of Bonneville Power Administration power lines are designated as "CLOSED AREA" to hunting wild animals and wild birds year-round except for special hunts adopted by the fish and wildlife commission. The Parker Lake closure provides a protected area for the U.S. Air Force Military Survival Training Program.

(b) Columbia River: The Columbia River, all islands except privately owned, in the river, the Benton County shoreline below the high water mark, Central Hanford Department of Energy property, and any peninsula originating on the Benton County shoreline, between Vernita Bridge on Highway 24 downstream to the Richland city limits are designated as a "CLOSED AREA" to hunting wild animals and wild birds

except waterfowl hunting is open below the high water mark between the old Hanford townsite power line crossing (wooden towers) in Section 24, T 13 N, R 27 E, and the Richland city limits.

(c) Green River (GMU 485): Except for special permit hunters, who may also take a black bear and/or cougar with the appropriate license/tag options, all lands within GMU 485 are designated as a "CLOSED AREA" to hunting big game year-round. During the general westside elk season and general and late deer seasons, all lands within GMU 485 year-round are also designated as a "CLOSED AREA" to hunting all wild animals, including wild birds, year-round. The city of Tacoma enforces trespass within GMU 485 year-round on lands owned or controlled by the city.

(d) McNeil Island (part of GMU 652): Closed to hunting all wild animals, including wild birds, year-round.

(e) Loo-wit (GMU 522): Closed to hunting and trapping, except for elk and mountain goat hunting by special permit holders during established seasons and in designated areas.

(2) A violation of subsection (1) of this section is punishable under RCW 77.15.400, 77.15.410, or 77.15.430, depending on the species hunted.

(3) **CLOSED BIG GAME HUNTING AREAS .**



It is unlawful to hunt big game in the following closed areas, unless otherwise specified:

(a) Clark, Cowlitz, Pacific, and Wahkiakum counties: Closed to hunting for Columbian whitetail deer.

(b) Cathlamet: Except for special permits issued by the department for nonendangered deer and elk, this area is closed to all deer and elk hunting to protect the Columbian whitetail deer. This area's boundaries are described as:

Beginning in the town of Skamokawa; then east along SR 4 to Risk Road; then south and east along Risk Road to Foster Road; then south along the Foster Road to the Elochoman River; then upstream along the Elochoman River to Elochoman Valley Road (old SR 407); then west along the Elochoman Valley Road to SR 4; then east along SR 4 to SR 409; then south along SR 409 to the Cathlamet Channel of the Columbia River; then east along the north shore of the Cathlamet Channel to Cape Horn; then south in the Columbia River to the state line; then west along the state line to a point directly south of the mouth of Skamokawa Creek; then north on Skamokawa Creek to SR 4 and the point of beginning.

(c) Walla Walla Mill Creek Watershed (GMU 157): All lands in the Mill Creek Watershed are designated as a "CLOSED AREA" to hunting all wild

animals, including wild birds. The only exception is for deer or elk hunting by holders of GMU-157 special deer or elk permits during the established open season. These permit holders must have a U.S. Forest Service permit to enter the hunt area, and the area is closed to motorized vehicles. No entry into the Mill Creek Watershed is allowed at other times.

(d) Westport: Closed to hunting all big game animals on the part of Westport Peninsula lying north of State Highway 105 from the Elk River Bridge west end and the Schafer Island Road to the ocean beach.

(e) Cottonwood and Howard islands (GMU 564): Closed to all deer hunting.

(4) A violation of subsection (3) of this section is a gross misdemeanor or a class C felony punishable under RCW 77.15.410, depending on the circumstances of the violation.

(5) **FIREARM RESTRICTION AREAS .**

(a) It is unlawful to hunt wildlife in the following firearm restriction areas with centerfire or rimfire rifles, or to fail to comply with additional firearm restrictions, except as established below:

COUNTY	AREA
Chelan	That portion of GMU 251 (Mission) beginning at the intersection of the Duncan Road and Highway 2; south on Duncan Road to Mountain Home Road; south along Mountain Home Road to the

COUNTY	AREA
	Icicle Irrigation Ditch; south and west along the Icicle Irrigation Ditch to the Snow Lake Trail; west and north along the Snow Lake Trail and across the Icicle River to Icicle River Road; east and north along Icicle River Road to the Wenatchee River; northwest along the Wenatchee River to Highway 2; north and east on Highway 2 to Duncan Road and the point of beginning.
Clallam	That portion of GMU 624 (Coyle) located within Clallam County.
Clark	GMU 564 (Battle Ground). That portion of GMU 554 (Yale) in Clark County.
Cowlitz	GMU 554 (Yale). GMU 504 (Stella). That portion of GMU 564 (Battle Ground) in Cowlitz County.
Grays Harbor	The following restriction applies only during modern firearm ( ( <del>deer</del> and ) ) <u>general</u> elk seasons: That portion of GMU 658 (North River) beginning at Bay City; then west along Highway 105 to Twin Harbors State Park; then south along Highway 105 to Cranberry Road; then east on Cranberry Road to Turkey Road; then east and north on Turkey Road to Bayview Logging Road; then north and east along Bayview Logging Road to Mallard Slough; then east and south along the Bayview Road to Andrews Creek; then north along main channel of Andrews Creek to Grays Harbor; then north and west along the main navigation channel to Bay City and point of beginning.
Grays Harbor	The following restriction applies only during modern firearm <u>general</u> elk seasons: That portion of GMU 660 (Minot Peak) described as follows: Beginning at Highway 12 and Highway 107 junction near Montesano; east and south on Highway 12 to State Street in Oakville; south on State Street to its merge with Oakville Road; west on Oakville Road to its merge with South Bank Road; northwest along South Bank Road to Wakefield Road; north on Wakefield Road to the Chehalis River; west along the Chehalis River to Highway 107 bridge; north on Highway 107 to Highway 12 to the point of beginning.
Island	GMUs 421 (Camano) and 420

COUNTY	AREA
	(Whidbey).
Jefferson	Indian and Marrowstone islands.
King	The area west of Highway 203 (Monroe-Fall City, then Fall City-Preston Road) to Interstate 90 (I-90), I-90 to Highway 18, Highway 18 to Interstate 5 (I-5), I-5 to the Pierce-King County line; and GMU 422 (Vashon-Maury).
King	This area is restricted to archery only during general season hunts (agency directed damage permit hunts exempt): The following portion of GMU 652 (Puyallup): Beginning at the intersection of State Highway 410 and the southeast Mud Mountain Dam Road near the King/Pierce County line north of Buckley; then east along the southeast Mud Mountain Road to 284th Avenue Southeast; then north along 284th Avenue Southeast to State Highway 410; then west along Highway 410 to the point of the beginning.
Kitsap	East of State Highway 16 originating at the Tacoma Narrows Bridge to Gorst, and east of Highway 3 to Newbury Hill Road, north of Newbury Hill Road and the Bremerton-Seabeck Highway to Big Beef Creek Bridge; all of Bainbridge Island, and Bangor Military Reservation.
Kittitas	GMU 334 (Ellensburg) Closed to centerfire rifles during deer and elk seasons except for those areas designated in writing by WDFW wildlife conflict staff.
Klickitat	Elk Area 5062 (Trout Lake) closed to centerfire rifles, handguns, and muzzleloaders October 1 to January 30.
Mason	GMU 633 (Mason Lake) south of Hammersley Inlet; and all of Harstine Island.
Pacific	GMU 684 (Long Beach) the following Long Beach Peninsula restriction applies only during modern firearm <u>general</u> deer and elk seasons: Beginning at the end of Outer Harbor Way in the City of Ilwaco to U.S. Highway 101, west and north on Highway 101 to Sandridge Road; north on Sandridge Road to 95th Street; west on 95th Street to Tarlatt Slough; out Tarlatt Slough to Willapa Bay, north along the shoreline of Willapa Bay, then west to the Pacific Ocean. South along the west coast of the peninsula to Cape Disappointment State Park; east along

COUNTY	AREA
	state park boundary to Baker Bay; east along Baker Bay to the point of beginning. The portion of GMU 658 (North River) south and west of State Highway 105 and Airport Road between Raymond and North River Bridge. GMU 681 (Chinook Valley) beginning at confluence of Wallacut River, east along the Columbia River to the Astoria-Megler bridge; west along U.S. Highway 101 to Houtchen Road, north on Houtchen Road to the Chinook River; west on the Chinook River to the Chinook Valley Road; west on the Chinook Valley Road to Highway 101 and Wallacut River bridge; southwest on Wallacut River to point of beginning.
Pierce	Ketron Island in GMU 652 limited to archery, shotgun, and muzzleloader. GMU 655 (Anderson) limited to archery, shotgun, and muzzleloader. McNeil Island closed to hunting. See GMU 652 restriction area outlined for King County. GMU 627 (Kitsap) south of Highway 302 on the <u>Key (Longbranch)</u> Peninsula is a firearm restriction area.
San Juan	All San Juan County, including GMUs 411 (Orcas), 412 (Shaw), 413 (San Juan), 414 (Lopez), 415 (Blakely), 416 (Decatur), and those portions of GMU 410 (Islands) that occur in San Juan County.
Snohomish	All areas west of Highway 9, until the intersection of Highway 9 and Highway 2, then east along Highway 2 to Highway 203, then all areas west of Highway 203 to the Snohomish/King County line.
Skagit	All mainland areas and islands, including GMU 419 (Guemes), in Skagit County west of I-5 and north of the Skagit/Snohomish County line, except Cypress Island. This restriction applies to big game hunting only.
Skamania	That portion of GMU 564 (Battle Ground) in Skamania County.
Thurston	GMU 666 (Deschutes) north of U.S. Highway 101 and Interstate 5 between Oyster Bay and the mouth of the Nisqually River.
Whatcom	All mainland areas and islands of Whatcom County that are west of I-5.

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This restriction applies to big game hunting only.

(b) Archery tag holders may only hunt during established archery seasons with archery equipment as defined under WAC 220-414-070.

(c) Muzzleloader tag holders may only hunt during established muzzleloader seasons with muzzleloader equipment or archery equipment as defined by department rule.

(d) Modern firearm tag holders may hunt during established modern firearm seasons with bows and arrows; crossbows; muzzleloaders; revolver-type handguns; semiautomatic handguns of .40 (10 mm) caliber or larger; or shotguns, so long as the equipment and ammunition complies with department rules.

(6) A violation of subsection (5) of this section is punishable under RCW 77.15.400, 77.15.410, or 77.15.430, depending on the species hunted.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.040, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.210, 77.12.240, 77.12.320, 77.12.570, 77.12.800, 77.15.245, 77.32.007, 77.32.050, 77.32.070, 77.32.090, 77.32.370, and 77.32.530. WSR 18-11-061 (Order 18-76), § 220-413-180, filed 5/11/18, effective 6/11/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090. WSR 17-10-076 (Order 17-10), amended

and recodified as § 220-413-180, filed 5/3/17, effective 6/3/17.

Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090, and 77.32.155. WSR 16-12-087, § 232-28-248, filed 5/31/16, effective 7/1/16. Statutory

Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, and

77.12.240. WSR 15-10-059 (Order 15-98), § 232-28-248, filed 4/30/15,

effective 5/31/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.240, and

77.32.070. WSR 14-10-019 (Order 14-95), § 232-28-248, filed 4/25/14,

effective 5/26/14; WSR 13-11-078 (Order 13-94), § 232-28-248, filed

5/16/13, effective 6/16/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047,

77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.32.070,

77.32.530. WSR 10-10-061 (Order 10-94), § 232-28-248, filed 4/30/10,

effective 5/31/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020,

77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240. WSR 09-09-083 (Order 09-

53), § 232-28-248, filed 4/15/09, effective 5/16/09. Statutory

Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 06-11-032 (Order 06-92), § 232-28-248,

filed 5/8/06, effective 6/8/06; WSR 06-02-063 (Order 05-271), § 232-

28-248, filed 1/3/06, effective 2/3/06; WSR 05-11-022 (Order 05-89), §

232-28-248, filed 5/10/05, effective 6/10/05; WSR 05-02-046 (Order 04-

327), § 232-28-248, filed 1/3/05, effective 2/3/05. Statutory

Authority: RCW 77.12.047 and 77.12.020. WSR 04-11-036 (Order 04-98), §

232-28-248, filed 5/12/04, effective 6/12/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 03-13-047 (Order 03-129), § 232-28-248, filed 6/12/03, effective 7/13/03. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.655, 77.12.020. WSR 02-11-069 (Order 02-98), § 232-28-248, filed 5/10/02, effective 6/10/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.020, 77.32.070, 77.32.530. WSR 01-10-048 (Order 01-69), § 232-28-248, filed 4/26/01, effective 5/27/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770, 77.12.780. WSR 00-11-137 (Order 00-50), § 232-28-248, filed 5/23/00, effective 6/23/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 99-10-102 (Order 99-40), § 232-28-248, filed 5/5/99, effective 6/5/99; WSR 98-10-018 (Order 98-54), § 232-28-248, filed 4/22/98, effective 5/23/98; WSR 97-06-052 (Order 97-32), § 232-28-248, filed 2/27/97, effective 3/30/97. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.010 and 77.12.040. WSR 96-04-027, § 232-28-248, filed 2/1/96, effective 3/3/96. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 95-11-036, § 232-28-248, filed 5/10/95, effective 6/10/95; WSR 95-03-038 (Order 94-150), § 232-28-248, filed 1/10/95, effective 2/10/95.]



## **Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:**

### WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restriction areas

#### **Supporting Comments:**

There was one (1) supporting comment that was more a statement of support for the master hunter program than it was of the proposal.

#### **Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:**

There were two (2) opposing comments. One comment felt this proposal made it harder to hunt, but did not specify how and the other comment was related to a firearm restriction in GMU 334.

There was one (1) neutral comment.

#### **Direction and Rationale:**

The department will move forward with the recommendation to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 17-05-112, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17)

**WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements.** (1) The following provisions apply to all archery hunting seasons:

(a) It is unlawful for any person to carry or have in his possession any firearm while archery hunting in the field during an archery season specified for that area, except for modern handguns carried for personal protection. Modern handguns cannot be used to hunt big game or dispatch wounded big game during an archery big game hunting season.

(b) It is unlawful to have any electrical equipment or electric device(s), except for illuminated nocks, attached to the bow or arrow while hunting.

(c) It is unlawful to discharge a bow from a vehicle or from, across, or along the maintained portion of a public highway.

(d) It is unlawful to use any device secured to or supported by the bow for the purpose of maintaining the bow at full draw or in a firing position.

(e) It is unlawful to hunt big game animals with any arrow or bolt that does not have a sharp broadhead, or with a broadhead blade or blades that are less than seven-eighths of an inch wide.

(f) It is unlawful to hunt wildlife with any bow equipped with a scope.

(2) The following provisions apply to long bow, recurve bow and compound bow archery equipment:

(a) It is unlawful for any person to hunt big game animals with a bow that does not produce a minimum of 40 pounds of pull measured at twenty-eight inches or at full draw.

(b) It is unlawful to hunt big game animals with any arrow measuring less than 20 inches in length (~~(or weighing less than 6 grains per pound of draw weight with a minimum arrow weight of 300 grains)~~)).

(3) A violation of this section is punishable under RCW 77.15.400, 77.15.410, or 77.15.430, depending on the species hunted. [Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-414-070, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, and 77.12.240. WSR 15-10-035 (Order 15-97), § 232-12-054, filed 4/28/15, effective 5/29/15.

Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.240, and 77.32.070. WSR 14-10-019 (Order 14-95), § 232-12-054, filed 4/25/14, effective 5/26/14; WSR 13-11-078 (Order 13-94), § 232-12-054, filed 5/16/13, effective 6/16/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 12-11-005 (Order 12-70), § 232-12-054, filed 5/2/12, effective 6/2/12. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.32.070, 77.32.530. WSR 10-10-061 (Order 10-94), § 232-12-054, filed 4/30/10, effective 5/31/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240. WSR 09-09-083 (Order 09-53), § 232-12-054, filed 4/15/09, effective 5/16/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 06-11-032 (Order 06-92), § 232-12-054, filed 5/8/06, effective 6/8/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047 and 77.12.020. WSR 04-11-036 (Order 04-98), § 232-12-054, filed 5/12/04, effective 6/12/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 03-13-047 (Order 03-129), § 232-12-054, filed 6/12/03, effective 7/13/03; WSR 01-17-068 (Order 01-167), § 232-12-054, filed 8/15/01, effective 9/15/01. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040, 77.12.010, 77.12.020, 77.12.770, 77.12.780. WSR 00-11-137 (Order 00-50), § 232-12-054, filed 5/23/00, effective 6/23/00. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.040. WSR 90-03-092 (Order 427), § 232-12-054, filed 1/24/90, effective 2/24/90; WSR 88-13-012 (Order 310), § 232-12-

054, filed 6/6/88; WSR 81-12-029 (Order 165), § 232-12-054, filed  
6/1/81. Formerly WAC 232-12-140.]

## **Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:**

### WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements

#### **Supporting Comments:**

There were 17 comments in support of the proposal. The common theme of the comments was that this change made “good sense”. This theme was linked to technological advancements in archery equipment, difficulty of enforcing the current rule, and rules simplification.

#### **Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:**

There were eight (8) comments in opposition of the proposal. The common theme of opposing comments was that the minimum arrow weight should be retained and/or increased.

There were two (2) neutral comments. Although the stance was neutral, one of those comments advocated for increasing minimum arrow weight. The other neutral comment was not related to the proposal.

#### **Direction and Rationale:**

The department will move forward with the recommendation to the Fish and Wildlife Commission. We have no available information that indicates our current archery restrictions increase the likelihood of an ethical kill. The proposed change is consistent with other states as Washington is only one of five states that currently have a minimum weight requirement. It is likely most archery hunters are shooting arrows that weigh at least 300 grains.

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 18-19-001, filed 9/5/18, effective 10/6/18)

**WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.** The following areas are defined as elk areas:

**Elk Area No. 1008 West Wenaha (Columbia County):** That part of GMU 169 west of USFS trail 3112 from Tepee Camp (east fork of Butte Creek) to Butte Creek, and west of Butte Creek to the Washington-Oregon state line.

**Elk Area No. 1009 East Wenaha (Columbia, Garfield, Asotin counties):** That portion of GMU 169 east of USFS trail 3112 from Tepee Camp (east fork Butte Creek) to Butte Creek, and east of Butte Creek to the Washington-Oregon state line.

**Elk Area No. 1010 (Columbia County):** GMU 162 excluding National Forest land and the Rainwater Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 1011 (Columbia County):** That part of GMU 162 east of the North Touchet Road, excluding National Forest land.

**Elk Area No. 1012 (Columbia County):** That part of GMU 162 west of the North Touchet Road, excluding National Forest land and the Rainwater Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 1013 (Asotin County):** GMU 172, excluding National Forest lands and the 4-0 Ranch Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 1015 Turnbull (Spokane County):** Located in GMU 130, designated areas within the boundaries of Turnbull National Wildlife Refuge.

**Elk Area No. 1016 (Columbia County):** GMU-162 Dayton, excluding the Rainwater Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 1040 (Asotin County):** That area within GMU 172 designated as the WDFW-owned lands managed as the 4-0 Ranch Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 1075 (Asotin County):** Private land (excluding WDFW lands) within GMU 175 within the following area: From the intersection of the South Fork Asotin Creek Rd and Campbell Grade Rd, continuing south until the South Fork Asotin Creek Rd crosses the South Fork of Asotin Creek. South along the South Fork of Asotin Creek until it intersects with the USFS property line, due south along the USFS boundary until it reaches the Cloverland Rd. NE along the Cloverland Rd to the intersection of the Parsons Rd (Back Rd), north along the Parsons Rd



(Back Rd) to Campbell Grade Rd, west on Campbell Grade Rd to the intersection with South Fork Asotin Creek Rd and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 1081 (Asotin County):** All of GMU 181 Couse, including the portion of GMU 172 starting at the intersection of Mill Road and Highway 129 in Anatone, south along Hwy 129 to Smyth Rd, west and then north on Smyth Rd to the intersection of E Mountain Rd, west along E Mountain Rd to the intersection of W Mountain Rd, north along W Mountain Rd to Mill Road, east on Mill Rd to the starting point.

**Elk Area No. 1082 George Creek (Asotin County):** That portion of GMU 181 owned by WDFW and designated as the George Creek Wildlife Unit of the Asotin Creek Wildlife Area.

**Elk Area No. 2032 Malaga (Kittitas and Chelan counties):** Beginning at the mouth of Davies Canyon on the Columbia River; west along Davies Canyon to the cliffs above (north of) the North Fork Tarpiscan Creek; west and north along the cliffs to the Bonneville Power Line; southwest along the power line to the North Fork Tarpiscan Road in Section 9, Township 20N, Range 21E; north and west along North Fork Tarpiscan Road to Colockum Pass Road (Section 9, Township 20N, Range 21E); south and west on Colockum Pass Road to section line between

Sections 8 & 9; north along the section line between Sections 8 and 9 as well as Sections 4 & 5 (T20N, R21E) & Sections 32 & 33 (T21N, R21E) to Moses Carr Road; west and north on Moses Carr Road to Jump Off Road; south and west on Jump Off Road to Shaller Road; north and west on Shaller Road to Upper Basin Loop Road; north and west on Upper Basin Loop Road to Wheeler Ridge Road; north on Wheeler Ridge Road to the Basin Loop Road (pavement) in Section 10 (T21N, R20E); north on Basin Loop Road to Wenatchee Heights Road; west on Wenatchee Heights Road to Squilchuck Road; south on Squilchuck Road to Beehive Road (USFS Rd 9712); northwest on Beehive Road to USFS Rd 7100 near Beehive Reservoir; north and west on USFS Rd 7100 to Peavine Canyon Road (USFS Rd 7101); north and east on Peavine Canyon Road to Number Two Canyon Road; north on Number Two Canyon Road to Crawford Street in Wenatchee; east on Crawford Street to the Columbia River; south and east along the Columbia River to Davies Canyon and point of beginning. (Naneum Green Dot, Washington Gazetteer, Wenatchee National Forest)

**Elk Area No. 2033 Peshastin (Chelan County):** Starting at the Division St bridge over the Wenatchee River in the town of Cashmere; S on Aplets Way then Division St to Pioneer St; W on Pioneer St to Mission Creek Rd; S on Mission Creek Rd to Binder Rd; W on Binder Rd to Mission Creek Rd; S on Mission Creek Rd to Tripp Canyon Rd; W on Tripp

Canyon Rd to where Tripp Canyon Rd stops following Tripp Creek; W on Tripp Creek to its headwaters; W up the drainage, about 1000 feet, to US Forest Service (USFS) Rd 7200-160; W on USFS Rd 7200-160 to Camas Creek Rd (USFS Rd 7200); W on Camas Creek Rd (USFS 7200 Rd) (excluding Camas Land firearm closure\*) to US Hwy 97; N on US Hwy 97 to Mountain Home Rd (USFS 7300 Rd); N on Mountain Home Rd to the Wenatchee River in the town of Leavenworth; S on the Wenatchee River to the Division St bridge in Cashmere and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 2051 Tronsen (Chelan County):** All of GMU 251 except that portion described as follows: Beginning at the junction of Naneum Ridge Road (WDFW Rd 9) and Ingersol Road (WDFW Rd 1); north and east on Ingersol Road to Colockum Road (WDFW Rd 10); east on Colockum Road and Colockum Creek to the intersection of Colockum Creek and the Columbia River; south on the Columbia River to mouth of Tarpiscan Creek; west up Tarpiscan Creek and Tarpiscan Road (WDFW Rd 14) and North Fork Road (WDFW Rd 10.10) to the intersection of North Fork Road and Colockum Road; southwest on Colockum Road to Naneum Ridge Road; west on Naneum Ridge Road to Ingersol Road and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 3681 Ahtanum (Yakima County):** That part of GMU 368 beginning at the power line crossing on Ahtanum Creek in T12N, R16E, Section 15; west up Ahtanum Creek to South Fork Ahtanum Creek;

southwest up South Fork Ahtanum Creek to its junction with Reservation Creek; southwest up Reservation Creek and the Yakama Indian Reservation boundary to the main divide between the Diamond Fork drainage and Ahtanum Creek drainage; north along the crest of the main divide between the Diamond Fork drainage and the Ahtanum Creek drainage to Darland Mountain; northeast on US Forest Service Trail 615 to US Forest Service Road 1020; northeast on US Forest Service Road 1020 to US Forest Service Road 613; northeast on US Forest Service Road 613 to US Forest Service Trail 1127; northeast on US Forest Service Trail 1127 to US Forest Service Road 1302 (Jump Off Road), southeast of the Jump Off Lookout Station; northeast on US Forest Service Road 1302 (Jump Off Road) to Highway 12; northeast on Highway 12 to the Naches River; southeast down the Naches River to Cowiche Creek; west up Cowiche Creek and South Fork Cowiche Creek to Summitview Avenue; northwest on Summitview Avenue to Cowiche Mill Road; west on Cowiche Mill Road to the power line in the northeast corner of T13N, R15E, SEC 13; southeast along the power line to Ahtanum Creek and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 3721 Corral Canyon (Benton and Yakima counties):** That part of GMU 372 beginning at the Yakima River Bridge on SR 241 just north of Mabton; north along SR 241 to the Rattlesnake Ridge Road

(mile post #19); east on Rattlesnake Ridge Road to the Hanford Reach National Monument's (HRNM) southwest corner boundary; east and south along the HRNM boundary to SR 225; south on SR 225 to the Yakima River Bridge in Benton City; west (upstream) along Yakima River to point of beginning (SR 241 Bridge).

**Elk Area No. 3722 Blackrock (Benton and Yakima counties):** That part of GMU 372 beginning at southern corner of the Yakima Training Center border on Columbia River, northwest of Priest Rapids Dam; southeast on southern shore of Columbia River (Priest Rapids Lake) to Priest Rapids Dam; east along Columbia River to the Hanford Reach National Monument's (HRNM) western boundary; south along the HRNM boundary to the Rattlesnake Ridge Road; west on Rattlesnake Ridge Road to SR 241; south on SR 241 to the Yakima River Bridge just north of Mabton; west along Yakima River to SR 823 (Harrison Road) south of town of Pomona; east along SR 823 (Harrison Road) to SR 821; southeast on SR 821 to Firing Center Road at I-82; east on Firing Center Road to main gate of Yakima Training Center; south and east along Yakima Training Center boundary to southern corner of Yakima Training Center boundary on Columbia River and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 3911 Fairview (Kittitas County):** Beginning at the intersection of the BPA Power Lines in T20N, R14E, Section 36 and

Interstate 90; east along the power lines to Highway 903 (Salmon La Sac Road); northwest along Highway 903 to Pennsylvania Avenue; northeast along Pennsylvania Avenue to No. 6 Canyon Road; northeast along No. 6 Canyon Road to Cle Elum Ridge Road; north along Cle Elum Ridge Road to Carlson Canyon Road; northeast along Carlson Canyon Road to West Fork Teanaway River; east along West Fork Teanaway River to North Fork Teanaway River; north along North Fork Teanaway River to Teanaway Road; southeast on Teanaway Road to Ballard Hill Road; east on Ballard Hill Rd and Swauk Prairie Road to Hwy 970; northeast on Hwy 970 to Hwy 97; south on Hwy 97 to the power lines in T20N, R17E, Section 34; east on the power lines to Naneum Creek; south on Naneum Creek approximately 1/2 mile to power lines in T19N, R19E, Section 20; east along BPA power lines to Colockum Pass Road in T19N, R20E, Section 16; south on Colockum Pass Road to BPA power lines in T18N, R20E, Section 6; east and south along power lines to the Yakima Training Center boundary; south and west along the Yakima Training Center boundary to I-82; north on I-82 to Thrall Road; west on Thrall Road to Wilson Creek; south on Wilson Creek to Yakima River; north on Yakima River to gas pipeline crossing in T17N, R18E, Section 25; south and west on the gas pipeline to Umtanum Creek; west on Umtanum Creek to the Durr Road; north on the Durr Road to Umtanum Road; north on

Umtanum Road to South Branch Canal; west on South Branch Canal to Bradshaw/Hanson Road; west on Bradshaw Road to the elk fence; north and west along the elk fence to power line crossing in T19N, R16E, Section 10; west along the power line (south branch) to Big Creek; north on Big Creek to Nelson Siding Road; west and north on Nelson Siding Road to I-90; east on I-90 to point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 3912 Old Naches (Yakima County):** Starting at the elk fence and Roza Canal along the south boundary T14N, R19E, Section 8; following the elk fence to the bighorn sheep feeding site in T15N, R16E, Section 36; south on the feeding site access road to the Old Naches Highway; west and south on the Old Naches Highway to State Route 12 and the Naches River; down the Naches River to the Tieton River; up the Tieton River approximately 2 miles to the intersection of the metal footbridge and the elk fence at the south end of the bridge in T14N, R16E, Section 3; south along the elk fence to the top of the cliff/rimrock line; southwest along the top of the cliff/rimrock line to the irrigation canal in T14N, R16E, Section 9; southwest along the irrigation canal to the elk fence in T14N, R16E, Section 8; south along the elk fence to the township line between T12N, R15E and T12N, R16E; south along the township line to the South Fork Ahtanum Creek; downstream along the South Fork Ahtanum Creek and

Ahtanum Creek to the Yakima River; upstream along the Yakima River to Roza Canal and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 4601 North Bend (King County):** That portion of GMU 460 beginning at the interchange of State Route (SR) 18 and I-90; W on I-90 to SE 82nd St, Exit 22, at the town of Preston; N on SE 82nd Street to Preston Fall City Rd SE (Old SR 203); N on Preston Fall City Rd SE to SE Fall City Snoqualmie Rd (SR 202) at the town of Fall City; E on SE Fall City Snoqualmie Rd to the crossing of Tokul Creek; N and E up Tokul Creek to its crossing with Tokul Rd SE; S on SE Tokul Rd to SE 53rd Way; E on SE 53rd Way where it turns into 396th Dr SE then S on 396th Dr SE to SE Reinig Rd; E on SE Reinig Rd to 428th Ave SE; N on 428th Ave SE to where it turns into North Fork Rd SE; N and E on North Fork Rd SE to Ernie's Grove Rd; E on Ernie's Grove Rd to SE 70th St; N on SE 70th St to its ends at Fantastic Falls on the North Fork Snoqualmie River; SW down the North Fork Snoqualmie River to Fantastic Falls and the Mt Si Natural Resource Conservation Area boundary then S and E along the southern boundary of the Mt Si NRCA to the "School Bus" turnaround at SE 114th St; S on 480th Ave SE to SE 130th St; S and E on SE 130th St to its end; SSE overland from the end of SE 130th St, over the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River, to the end of 486th Ave SE; S on 486th Ave SE to the intersection with SE Middle Fork Road; Due S,



from said intersection, up Grouse Mountain toward its peak, to the logging road adjacent to Grouse Mountain Peak; S down the logging road to Grouse Ridge Access Rd; W on Grouse Ridge Access Road which becomes SE 146th St; W on SE 146th St to I-90 then east along I-90 to the W boundary of Olallie/Twin Falls State Park; then along the westerly and northerly boundaries of Olallie/Twin Falls/Iron Horse state parks to the boundary of the Rattlesnake Lake Recreation Area; W along the boundary of the Rattlesnake Lake Recreation Area to Cedar Falls Rd SE; N along the Cedar Falls Rd to SE 174th Way; W on SE 174th Way to SE 174th St; W on SE 174th St to SE 173rd St; W on SE 173rd St to SE 170th Pl; W on SE 170th Pl to SE 169th St; W on SE 169th St to 424th Ave SE; N on 424th Ave SE to SE 168th St; W on SE 168th St to 422 Ave SE; N on 422 Ave SE to 426th Way SE; S on 426th Way SE to SE 164th St; E on SE 164th St to Uplands Way SE; W on Uplands Way SE to the crossing with the Power Transmission Lines; W along the Power Transmission Lines to the Winery Rd; NW on the Winery Rd to SE 99th Rd; W and N on SE 99th Rd to the I-90 interchange, at Exit 27; SW on I-90 to the interchange with SR 18 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 4941 Skagit River (Skagit County):** That portion of GMU 437 beginning at the intersection of State Route 9 and State Route 20; east on State Route 20 to Concrete-Sauk Valley Road; south on

Concrete-Sauk Valley Road over The Dalles Bridge (Skagit River) to the intersection with the South Skagit Highway; west on South Skagit Highway to State Route 9; north on State Route 9 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5029 Toledo (Lewis and Cowlitz counties):** Beginning at the Cowlitz River and State Highway 505 junction; east along the Cowlitz River to the Weyerhaeuser 1800 Road; south along Weyerhaeuser 1800 Road to Cedar Creek Road; east along Cedar Creek Road to Due Road; south on Due Road to Weyerhaeuser 1823 Road; south along Weyerhaeuser 1823 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 1945 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 1945 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 1900 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 1900 Road to the North Fork Toutle River; west along the North Fork Toutle River to the Toutle River; west on the Toutle River to the Cowlitz River; North along the Cowlitz River to the junction of State Highway 505 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5049 Ethel (Lewis County):** That part of GMU 505 beginning at the intersection of Jackson Highway and Highway 12; south along Jackson Highway to Buckley Road; south on Buckley Road to Spencer Road; east on Spencer Road to Fuller Road; north on Fuller Road to Highway 12; east on Highway 12 to Stowell Road; north on Stowell Road to Gore Road; west on Gore Road to Larmon Road; west on Larmon Road to

Highway 12; west on Highway 12 to Jackson Highway and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5050 Newaukum (Lewis County):** That part of GMU 505 beginning at the intersection of Interstate 5 and Highway 12; east on Highway 12 to Larmon Road; east on Larmon Road to Leonard Road; north on Leonard Road through the town of Onalaska to Deggler Road; north on Deggler Road to Middle Fork Road; east on Middle Fork Road to Beck Road; north on Beck Road to Centralia-Alpha Road; west on Centralia-Alpha Road to Logan Hill Road; south then west on Logan Hill Road to Jackson Highway; south on Jackson Highway to the Newaukum River; west along the Newaukum River to Interstate 5; south on Interstate 5 to Highway 12 and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5051 Green Mountain (Cowlitz County):** Beginning at the junction of the Cowlitz River and the Toutle River; east along the Toutle River to the North Fork Toutle River; east along the North Fork Toutle River to the Weyerhaeuser 1900 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 1900 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 1910 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 1910 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 2410 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 2410 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4553 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 4553 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4500 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 4500 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4400 Road; south along the

Weyerhaeuser 4400 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4100 Road; east along the Weyerhaeuser 4100 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4700 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 4700 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4720 Road; west along the Weyerhaeuser 4720 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4730 Road; west along the Weyerhaeuser 4730 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4732 Road; west along the Weyerhaeuser 4732 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4790 Road; west along the Weyerhaeuser 4790 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 1390 Road; south along the Weyerhaeuser 1390 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 1600 Road; west along the Weyerhaeuser 1600 Road to the Weyerhaeuser Logging Railroad Tracks at Headquarters; west along the Weyerhaeuser Logging Railroad Track to Ostrander Creek; west along Ostrander Creek to the Cowlitz River; north along the Cowlitz River to the Toutle River and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5052 Mossyrock (Lewis County):** Beginning at the intersection of Winston Creek Road and State Highway 12; east on State Highway 12 to the Cowlitz River; east on the Cowlitz River to Riffe Lake; southeast along the south shore of Riffe Lake to Swofford Pond outlet creek; south on Swofford Pond outlet creek to Green Mountain Road; west on Green Mountain Road to Perkins Road; west on Perkins Road to Longbell Road; south on Longbell Road to Winston Creek Road; north on Winston Creek Road to State Highway 12 and the point of

beginning. (All lands owned and managed by the Cowlitz Wildlife Area are excluded from this Elk Area.)

**Elk Area No. 5053 Randle (Lewis County):** Beginning at the town of Randle and the intersection of U.S. Highway 12 and State Route 131 (Forest Service 23 and 25 roads); south on State Route 131 to Forest Service 25 Road; south on Forest Service 25 Road to the Cispus River; west along the Cispus River to the Champion 300 line bridge; south and west on the Champion 300 line to the Champion Haul Road; north along the Champion Haul Road to Kosmos Road; north on Kosmos Road to U.S. Highway 12; east on U.S. Highway 12 to Randle and point of beginning. (All lands owned and managed by the Cowlitz Wildlife Area are excluded from this Elk Area.)

**Elk Area No. 5054 Boistfort (Lewis County):** Beginning at the town of Vader; west along State Highway 506 to the Wildwood Road; north along the Wildwood Road to the Abernathy 500 line gate (Section 20, T11N, R3W, Willamette Meridian); northwest along the 500, 540, and 560 lines to the Weyerhaeuser 813 line; northwest along the 813, 812, 5000J, 5000 and 4000 lines to the Pe Ell/McDonald Road (Section 15, T12N, R4W); west along the Pe Ell/McDonald Road to the Lost Valley Road; northeast along the Lost Valley Road to the Boistfort Road; north along the Boistfort Road to the King Road; east along the King Road to

the town of Winlock and State Highway 603; south along Highway 505 to Interstate 5; south along Interstate 5 to State Hwy 506; west along State Hwy 506 to the town of Vader and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5056 Grays River Valley (Wahkiakum County):** That area in GMU 506 on or within 1.5 miles of agricultural land in the Grays River Valley and Eden Valley within the following sections: T11N, R08W, Section 36; T11N, R07W, Sections 31, 32, 33; T10N, R7W, Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32; T10N, R8W, Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36; T09N, R08W, Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15; T09N, R07W, Sections 5, 6, 7, 8.

**Elk Area No. 5057 Carlton (Lewis County):** That part of 513 (South Rainier) lying east of Highway 123 and north of Highway 12.

**Elk Area No. 5058 West Goat Rocks (Lewis County):** Goat Rocks Wilderness west of the Pacific Crest Trail.

**Elk Area No. 5059 Mt. Adams Wilderness (Skamania and Yakima counties):** The Mt. Adams Wilderness.

**Elk Area No. 5060 Merwin (Cowlitz County):** Begin at the State Route 503 and the Longview Fibre Road WS-8000 junction; north and west on the Longview Fibre Road WS-8000 to Day Place Road; west on Day Place

Road to Dubois Road; south on Dubois Road to State Route 503; east on State Route 503 to the State Route 503 and the Longview Fibre Road WS-8000 junction and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5061 Wildwood (Lewis County):** Beginning at the junction of the Pacific West Timber (PWT) 600 Road and the Wildwood Road (SE1/4 S29 T11N R3W); southwest on the 600 Road to the 800 Road (NW1/4 S36 T11N R4W); southwest on the 800 Road to the 850 Road (SW1/4 S3 T10N R4W); northwest on the 850 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4720 Road (S20 T11N R4W); north on the Weyerhaeuser 4720 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 4700 Road (S17 T11N R4W); east on the Weyerhaeuser 4700 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 5822 Road (NW1/4 S16 T11N R4W); east on the Weyerhaeuser 5822 Road to the Weyerhaeuser 5820 Road (NW1/4 S10 T11N R4W); southeast on the Weyerhaeuser 5820 Road to the PWT 574 Road (SE1/4 S10 T11N R4W); south on the PWT 574 Road to the 570 Road (NW1/4 S14 T11N R4W); south on the 570 Road to the 500 Road (NW1/4 S14 T11N R4W); northeast on the 500 Road to the 560 Road (SW1/4 S12 T11N R4W); east on the 560 Road to the 540 Road (SE1/4 S12 T11N R4W); east and south on the 540 Road to the 500 Road (SE1/4 S18 T11N R3W); east on the PWT 500 Road to the Wildwood Road (N1/2 S20 T11N R3W); south on the Wildwood Road to the point of beginning, the PWT 600 Road junction (SE1/4 S29 T11N R3W).

**Elk Area No. 5062 Trout Lake (Klickitat County):** Those portions of GMU 578 (West Klickitat) beginning at the intersection of SR 141 and Sunnyside Road; north on Sunnyside Road to Mount Adams Recreational Area Road; (including agricultural land on the Trout Lake Valley floor north of Sunnyside Road within T06N R10E in Sections 13 and 14); south on Mount Adams Recreational Area Road to the intersection of SR 141 and south on SR 141 and Sunnyside Road to the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5063 Pumice Plain (Cowlitz and Skamania counties):** That part of GMU 522 beginning at the confluence of the N. Fork Toutle River and Castle Creek; East along the N. Fork Toutle River to USFS trail 207; south along USFS trail 207 to USFS trail 216E; southwest along USFS trail 216E to USFS trail 216; west along USGS trail 216 to USGS 216G; northwest along USFS trail 216G to USGS trail 221; north along USFS 221 to Castle Creek; northwest along Castle Creek to N. Fork Toutle River and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5064 Upper Smith Creek (Skamania County):** That part of GMU 522 beginning at the U.S. Forest Service Rd. 99 and U.S. Forest Service Trail 225 (Smith Creek Trail) junction; south on Trail 225 to Ape Canyon Creek; south and west up Ape Canyon Creek to U.S. Forest Service Trail 216 (Loowit Trail); north on Trail 216 to U.S. Forest Service Trail 216D (Abraham Trail); north on Trail 216D to U.S. Forest



Service Trail 207 (Truman Trail); north and east on Trail 207 to U.S. Forest Service Rd. 99; north and east on U.S. Forest Service Rd. 99 to the junction of U.S. Forest Service Rd. 99 and U.S. Forest Service Trail 225 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5065 Mount Whittier (Skamania County):** That part of GMU 522 beginning at the U.S. Forest Service Trail 1 (Boundary Trail) and U.S. Forest Service Trail 214 (Whittier Ridge Trail) junction; west on the U.S. Forest Service Trail 1 to U.S. Forest Service Trail 230 (Coldwater Trail); north on U.S. Forest Service Trail 230 to U.S. Forest Service Trail 211 (Lakes Trail); east on Trail 211 to U.S. Forest Service Trail 214; south on U.S. Forest Service Trail 214 to the junction of U.S. Forest Service Trail 214 and U.S. Forest Service Trail 1 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5066 Norway Pass (Lewis and Skamania counties):** That part of GMU 524 beginning at the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Trail 211 (Lakes Trail) and USFS Trail 230 (Coldwater Trail) junction; NE to Minnie Peak; W to the USFS property boundary in the SE 1/4 of Section 20, T10N, R5E; N along the USFS property boundary to the Green River; E up the Green River to the USFS Rd 2612; E on the USFS Rd 2612 to USFS Rd 26; S on USFS Rd 26 to USFS Trail 1 (Boundary Trail); W on USFS Trail 1 to USFS Trail 214 (Whittier Trail); N on USFS Trail 214

to USFS Trail 211 (Lakes Trail); W on USFS Trail 211 to the USFS Trail 211, Trail 230 junction and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5090 JBH (Wahkiakum County):** The mainland portion of the Julia Butler Hansen National Wildlife Refuge, as administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as described: Beginning at the junction of State Route 4 and Steamboat Island Slough Road, northwest on Steamboat Island Slough Road to Brooks Slough Road, east on Brooks Slough Road to State Route 4, south on State Route 4 to Steamboat Slough Road and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 5099 Mudflow (Cowlitz County):** That part of GMU 522 beginning on the North Fork Toutle River at the mouth of Hoffstadt Creek; SE up the North Fork Toutle River to Deer Creek; SE up Deer Creek to Rd 3020; NW along 3020 to Rd 3000; E along Rd 3000 to US Forest Service (USFS) Trail 216G; SE along USFS Trail 216G to USFS Trail 221 (Castle Lake Trail); N on USFS Trail 221 to Castle Creek; N along Castle Creek to the confluence with the North Fork Toutle River; W down the North Fork Toutle River to the North Fork Toutle River, Coldwater Creek confluence; North from the North Fork Toutle River, Coldwater Creek confluence on unnamed ridgeline, to Castle Lake viewpoint on SR 504; W on SR 504 to Hoffstadt Creek Bridge on

Hoffstadt Creek; S and W down Hoffstadt Creek to the North Fork Toutle River and point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6010 Mallis (Pacific County):** That part of GMUs 506, 672, and 673 within one and one-half mile either side of SR 6 between the east end of Elk Prairie Rd and the Mallis Landing Rd, and all lands within a half mile of Elk Creek Rd bounded on the south by Monohon Landing Rd.

**Elk Area No. 6011 Centralia Mine (Lewis County):** That portion of GMU 667 within Centralia Mine property boundary.

**Elk Area No. 6013 (Pierce County):** That part of GMU 652 beginning at the intersection of Highway 167 and Highway 410; north on Highway 167 to Highway 18; east on Highway 18 to Highway 164; southeasterly on Highway 164 to intersection with power transmission line in T20 R6 Section 18. West along power transmission line to intersection with 226th Ave E. South on 226th Ave East to intersection with 40th St E, east on 40th St E to 230th Ave E, South on 230th Ave E to Radke Road. Southwest on Radke to Barkubine Road, South on Barkubine Road to Connells Prairie; West on Connells Prairie Rd to 214th Ave E, South on 214th Ave E to Highway 410; westerly on Highway 410 to Highway 167 and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6014 (Pierce County):** Starting at Highway 164

intersection with power transmission line in T20 R6 Section 18; W along power transmission line to intersection with 226th Ave E; S on 226th Ave E to intersection with 40th St E; E on 40th St E to 230th Ave E; S on 230th Ave E to Radke Rd; SW on Radke to Barkubine Rd; S on Barkubine Rd to Connells Prairie; W on Connells Prairie Rd to 214th Ave E; S on 214th Ave E to South Prairie Rd; SE on South Prairie Rd to Highway 162; E on Hwy 162 to Hwy 165; S on Hwy 165 to the power transmission lines at T19 R6 Section 21, NE along the power transmission lines to the White River, N along the White River to the power transmission lines at T19 R7E; NE on power transmission lines to intersection with Hwy 410 West on SR 410 to Hwy 164; NW on Hwy 164 to starting point.

**Elk Area No. 6054 Puyallup River (Pierce County):** That portion of GMU 654 beginning at the intersection of Mount Rainier National Park's western boundary and the ~~State Route (SR) 706~~[Nisqually River](#); ~~W on SR 706 to intersection with Highway 7 at Elbe; NW on Highway 7 to Alder Cutoff Rd; N on Alder Cutoff Rd to Scott Turner Rd; NW on Scott Turner Rd to Alder Cutoff Rd; W and NE on Alder Cutoff Rd to Center St SE in the town of Eatonville; NW on Center St SE to SR 161; N and W on SR 161 to Orville Rd E; N on Orville Rd E, past Lake Ohop and Lake~~

Kapowsin, to the bridge crossing)) ~~Lake Park Road E; E on Alder Lake Park Road E to the Alder Dam; N along the~~ W down the Nisqually River to the mouth of the Mashel River; E and SE along the Mashel River to its headwaters; ~~at Big Creek; SE from the Mashel River headwaters to the Mashel River-Puyallup River watershed divide ridge; SE along the Mashel River-Puyallup River watershed divide ridge to a point due west of the headwaters of Big Creek; NE along Big Creek to its confluence with Deer Creek; N along Deer Creek to its confluence with the Puyallup River; SE up the Puyallup River to Mount Rainier National Park's western boundary; S on Mount Rainier National Park's western boundary to SR-706~~ the Nisqually River and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6061 Twin Satsop Farms (Mason County):** That portion of GMU 651 starting at the junction of the Deckerville Road and the Brady-Matlock Road; southwest to the junction with the West Boundary Road; north on West Boundary Road to the Deckerville Road; east on the Deckerville Road to the junction of Brady-Matlock Road and point of beginning. In addition, the area within a circle with a radius of two miles centered on the junction of State Route 108 and the Eich Road.

**Elk Area No. 6064 Quinault Valley (Grays Harbor and Jefferson counties):** That portion of GMU 638 (Quinault) within the Quinault River watershed east of Gatton Creek and Lake Quinault excluding US

Forest Service (USFS) Colonel Bob Wilderness Area beginning at the mouth of the Quinault River; NE on the Olympic National Park boundary, which is along the Quinault River, to the intersection with USFS Colonel Bob Wilderness Area; then SW along the Colonel Bob Wilderness Area Western boundary to its intersection with Haas Creek; then downstream along Haas Creek to its intersection with USFS Olympic National Forest boundary; then SW along USFS boundary to the Lake Quinault shoreline; then N along the East shore of Lake Quinault to the mouth of Quinault River and the point of the beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6069 Hanaford (Lewis and Thurston counties):** That part of GMU 667 (Skookumchuck) beginning at the intersection of Salzer Valley Rd and S Pearl St (Centralia); N on S Pearl St to N Pearl St; N on N Pearl St to State Hwy 507; W and N on State Hwy 507 to Skookumchuck Rd; E on Skookumchuck Rd to the first bridge over the Skookumchuck River; E along the Skookumchuck River to the Skookumchuck Rd bridge; E on Skookumchuck Rd to the steel tower power line; SW along the power line to Big Hanaford Rd; E and S along Big Hanaford Rd to the intersection with the main stem of Hanaford Creek; SE along Hanaford Creek to the range line between Range 1W and Range 1E of Township 14N; S on the range line between Range 1W and Range 1E of Township 14N to Mitchell Creek; SW on Mitchell Creek to the North Fork of the Newaukum

River; SW on the North Fork of the Newaukum River to North Fork Rd; W on North Fork Rd to Centralia-Alpha Rd; W on Centralia-Alpha Rd to Salzer Valley Rd and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6071 Dungeness (Clallam County):** Portions of GMUs 621 (Olympic) and 624 (Coyle) beginning at the mouth of the Dungeness River; east and south along the coast of the Strait of Juan de Fuca to the mouth of Dean Creek on Sequim Bay; south and west up Dean Creek to the power transmission line; west on the power transmission line to the Dungeness River; north down the Dungeness River to its mouth and the point of beginning.

**Elk Area No. 6612 Forks (Clallam County):** That part of GMUs 607 and 612 excluding the city of Forks and Bogachiel state park; starting at the confluence of Calawah River and the Bogachiel River; upstream on the Bogachiel River to the Hwy 101 Bridge north along Hwy 101 to Sportsman Club Rd; E on Sportsman Club Rd to DNR FR-F-1000; E on DNR FR-F-1000 to DNR FR-F-1200; N on DNR FR-F-1200 to its end; from the end of DNR FR-F-1200 N approximately 500' to Elk Creek; down Elk Creek to its confluence with the Calawah River; down the Calawah River to its confluence with the Bogachiel River.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, and 77.12.240. WSR 18-19-001 (Order 18-229), § 220-415-040,

filed 9/5/18, effective 10/6/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.040, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.210, 77.12.240, 77.12.320, 77.12.570, 77.12.800, 77.15.245, 77.32.007, 77.32.050, 77.32.070, 77.32.090, 77.32.370, and 77.32.530. WSR 18-11-061 (Order 18-76), § 220-415-040, filed 5/11/18, effective 6/11/18. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090. WSR 17-10-076 (Order 17-10), amended and recodified as § 220-415-040, filed 5/3/17, effective 6/3/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090, and 77.32.155. WSR 16-12-087, § 232-28-337, filed 5/31/16, effective 7/1/16. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, and 77.12.240. WSR 15-10-059 (Order 15-98), § 232-28-337, filed 4/30/15, effective 5/31/15. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.240, and 77.32.070. WSR 14-10-019 (Order 14-95), § 232-28-337, filed 4/25/14, effective 5/26/14; WSR 13-11-078 (Order 13-94), § 232-28-337, filed 5/16/13, effective 6/16/13. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 12-11-005 (Order 12-70), § 232-28-337, filed 5/2/12, effective 6/2/12; WSR 11-11-013 (Order 11-86), § 232-28-337, filed 5/6/11, effective 6/6/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240,



77.32.070, 77.32.530. WSR 10-10-061 (Order 10-94), § 232-28-337, filed 4/30/10, effective 5/31/10. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210, 77.12.150, 77.12.240. WSR 09-09-083 (Order 09-53), § 232-28-337, filed 4/15/09, effective 5/16/09. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020, 77.12.570, 77.12.210. WSR 08-09-090 (Order 08-78), § 232-28-337, filed 4/18/08, effective 5/19/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047, 77.12.020. WSR 08-01-052 (Order 07-292), § 232-28-337, filed 12/13/07, effective 1/13/08. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 07-01-049 (Order 06-300), § 232-28-337, filed 12/14/06, effective 1/14/07; WSR 06-17-095 (Order 06-196), § 232-28-337, filed 8/15/06, effective 9/15/06; WSR 06-11-032 (Order 06-92), § 232-28-337, filed 5/8/06, effective 6/8/06; WSR 06-02-063 (Order 05-271), § 232-28-337, filed 1/3/06, effective 2/3/06; WSR 05-11-023 (Order 05-84), § 232-28-337, filed 5/10/05, effective 5/15/05. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047 and 77.12.020. WSR 04-11-036 (Order 04-98), § 232-28-337, filed 5/12/04, effective 6/12/04. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 03-13-047 (Order 03-129), § 232-28-337, filed 6/12/03, effective 7/13/03.]

**WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.**

**RECOMMENDED ADJUSTMENTS**

The department recommends the following adjustments since the Code Reviser filed (CR-102). The adjustments are included in your notebooks.

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- Change: For Elk Area No. 6054 Puyallup River (Pierce County); the south and southwest boundary of the elk area will follow the Nisqually River instead of State Route 706, Highway 7, and Alder Lake Park Road.

Rationale: We identified an issue where Alder Lake Park Road was also referred to by a different name on available road maps. This change avoids potential confusion regarding the boundary and simplifies the boundary description for hunters.

## **Summary of Public Comments Received During the Official Comment Period and WDFW Response:**

WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions

### **Supporting Comments:**

There were no supporting comments.

### **Opposing, Neutral, and Other Comments:**

There were no opposing comments and two(2) neutral comments.

### **Direction and Rationale:**

The department will move forward with the recommendation, which includes the recommended adjustment, to the Fish and Wildlife Commission.



# PROPOSED RULE MAKING

## CR-102 (August 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.320) Do NOT use for expedited rule making

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OFFICE OF THE CODE REVISER  
STATE OF WASHINGTON  
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DATE: January 18, 2019  
TIME: 11:41 AM

WSR 19-03-129

**Agency:** Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

- Original Notice**
- Supplemental Notice to WSR** \_\_\_\_\_
- Continuance of WSR** \_\_\_\_\_

- Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 18-23-030 on November 14, 2018 ; or**
- Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR \_\_\_\_\_; or**
- Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).**
- Proposal is exempt under RCW \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Title of rule and other identifying information:** (describe subject)

### Amended Rules

- WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions – Region four.
- WAC 220-410-060 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions – Region six.
- WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.
- WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.
- WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.
- WAC 220-413-090 Field identification of wildlife – Evidence of sex – Definitions.
- WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restrictions.
- WAC 220-413-200 Reducing the spread of hoof disease – Unlawful transport of elk hooves.
- WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements.
- WAC 220-414-080 Hunting – Hunter orange clothing requirements.
- WAC 220-415-020 2018-2020 Deer general season and definitions.
- WAC 220-415-030 2019 Deer special permits.
- WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.
- WAC 220-415-050 2018-2020 Elk general season and definitions.
- WAC 220-415-060 Elk special permits.
- WAC 220-415-070 2019 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.
- WAC 220-415-120 2019 Bighorn sheep season.
- WAC 220-415-130 2019 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.
- WAC 220-416-060 2019-2020 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.
- WAC 220-416-110 Use of game birds for training dogs, field trials – Marking requirements.
- WAC 220-417-030 Wild animal trapping.
- WAC 220-430-010 Game farm license provisions.
- WAC 220-450-010 Criteria for planting aquatic plants and releasing wildlife.

### Hearing location(s):

Date:	Time:	Location: (be specific)	Comment:
March 1-2, 2019	8:00 a.m.	Natural Resources Building Room 172 1111 Washington Street SE Olympia, WA 98501	

**Date of intended adoption:** April 5-6, 2019 (Note: This is **NOT** the effective date)

### Submit written comments to:

Name: Wildlife Program  
 Address: PO Box 43200, Olympia, WA 98504  
 Email: wildthing@dfw.wa.gov  
 Fax: (360) 902-2162  
 Other: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/hunting/regulations/seasonsetting/2019/>  
 By (date) February 13, 2019

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By (date) February 22, 2019

**Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:**

WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions – Region four.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify boundary language as it pertains to Game Management Unit 485 Green River. The existing language can be somewhat complicated. The proposed changes take advantage of the well-marked boundaries of the Green River watershed which are identical to the GMU boundary.

WAC 220-410-060 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region six.

The purpose of the proposal is to clarify boundary language as it pertains to the boundary shared by Game Management Unit 653 White River and Game Management Unit 485 Green River. The existing language can be somewhat complicated. The proposed changes take advantage of the well-marked boundaries of the Green River watershed which are identical to the GMU boundary.

WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.

Proposed change (1) would allow holders of an Eastside Elk Auction Permit, Eastside Elk Raffle Permit, South-Central Washington Big Game Raffle Permit, or Eastern Washington Elk Incentive Permit to hunt elk in GMU 334 (Ellensburg). This GMU is currently excluded from the legal hunt area.

Proposed change (2) would redirect the holder of the 'Rocky Mountain' bighorn sheep raffle permit to a portion of the Wenaha-Mountain View herd complex with a greater number of mature rams.

WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.

This proposal modifies hunt dates on properties enrolled in WDFW's Landowner Hunting Permit (LHP) program for the 2019 hunting seasons. These sites offer special hunting opportunities to the public through permits issued by WDFW, raffles, or selection by the landowner.

WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.

The proposal will ban the importation and retention of specific parts of dead nonresident wildlife that could contain Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) from Tennessee. Specific circumstances are fully set forth in WAC 220-413-030 to include the state of Tennessee.

WAC 220-413-090 Field identification of wildlife – Evidence of sex – Definitions.

The proposal amends WAC 220-413-090 Field identification of wildlife-Evidence of sex-Definitions by changing subsection 1, related to the possession and transport of game birds by adding the fully feathered wing as an acceptable field identification requirement, with the exception of Canada and Cackling geese harvested in Goose Management Area 2 Coast and Inland where the head must be left attached for subspecies determination.

WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restrictions.

The proposed changes to the Special Closures and Firearm Restriction Areas WAC are administrative changes that clarify firearm restrictions in portions of Grays Harbor County and Pacific County only apply during modern firearm general deer and/or elk seasons. It also clarifies that Key Peninsula and Longbranch Peninsula are the same location in Pierce County.

WAC 220-413-200 Reducing the spread of hoof disease – Unlawful transport of elk hooves.

This rule is an attempt to reduce the potential risk of inadvertently spreading the causative agents of treponeme associated hoof disease (TAHD) in elk.

WAC 220-413-200 was most recently updated in September 2018. Since that time, TAHD has been confirmed along the border of GMUs 638 and 618, in the upper Wynoochee Valley (GMU 636) just south of Olympic National Park, and in GMU 621, necessitating the addition of GMUs 618, 621, and 638. With the addition of these 3 GMUs, the rule would apply in all but 15 of the 61 western Washington GMUs that are not islands in Puget Sound. The Department believes it prudent to add all western Washington GMUs to the restriction.

New Game Management Units (GMUs) are being proposed in which transport of elk hooves from harvested elk would be restricted. These new GMUs include all 400, 500, and 600 GMUs. The rule does allow, under certain circumstances, the legal transport of elk hooves to facilitate research by the Department and/or our collaborators.

WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements.

The purpose of the proposal is to eliminate the restriction that makes it unlawful to hunt big game animals with any arrow weighing less than six grains per pound of draw weight with a minimum arrow weight of 300 grains. Such a rule change will ensure hunters are not unknowingly in violation of a restriction, while in no way negatively affecting the kill efficacy of modern archery equipment commonly in use today.

WAC 220-414-080 Hunting – Hunter orange clothing requirements.

This proposal clarifies the hunter orange rule to address the overlap between turkey hunting and general season modern firearm deer and elk seasons. This proposed change will allow turkey hunters not to wear orange except during the general modern deer and elk seasons. This change will allow turkey hunters more flexibility and maintain safety during the general modern firearm seasons. This proposal adds turkey to the hunter orange rule and requires turkey hunters that are hunting during a modern deer or elk firearm season to wear florescent orange.

WAC 220-415-020 2018-2020 Deer general seasons and definitions.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain general season deer hunting opportunity for 2019. In addition, the purpose of the proposal is to balance the hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases the opportunity when deer populations allow, and reduces the opportunity when declining deer numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-030 2019 Deer special permits.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain special permit deer hunting opportunity for 2019. In addition, the purpose of the proposal is to balance the hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases the opportunity when deer populations allow, and reduces the opportunity when declining deer numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.

The purpose of this proposal is to allow the department to focus elk hunting pressure on a smaller scale than the Game Management Unit. Elk Areas help expand hunting opportunity that would normally not be available. Elk Areas also help accommodate wildlife conflict mitigation using hunting as a tool. The purpose of the proposal is to adjust the boundaries of Elk Area 6054, such that harvest is focused in areas where conflicts are most frequent.

WAC 220-415-050 2018-2020 Elk general seasons and definitions.

The purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:  
The elk seasons for fall of 2019 represent the second year of the 2018-2020 three-year hunting season package. The purpose of the proposal is to increase opportunities in some areas to assist with efforts to mitigate elk damage. The proposal also corrects typographical errors associated with season dates for the western Washington and Elk Area 3722 general elk modern firearm seasons.

WAC 220-415-060 2019 Elk special permits.

The purpose of this proposal is to retain elk special permit hunting opportunity for 2019. The purpose is also to balance the elk hunting opportunity between user groups. The proposal also increases elk hunting opportunity when elk populations allow, and reduces elk hunting opportunity when declining elk numbers warrant a change.

WAC 220-415-070 2019 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.

The purpose of this proposal is to adjust moose permit limits to reflect population changes and recent harvest.

WAC 220-415-120 2019 Bighorn sheep season.

The purpose of this proposal is to adjust bighorn sheep hunt permit limits to reflect population changes and recent harvest.

WAC 220-415-130 2019 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.

The purpose of this proposal is to adjust mountain goat hunt permit limits to reflect population changes and recent harvest.

WAC 220-416-060 2019-2020 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

The proposal amends WAC 220-416-060 2018-19 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations to specify legal season dates, bag limits for the 2019-20 season.

Changes include:

- Adjusting season dates relative to 2019-2020 calendar dates
- Lowering Northern Pintail bag-limit to 1 pintail per day and associated possession limits per the USFWS Northern Pintail Harvest Strategy
- Proposed shift of 12-days for white goose hunting from the beginning of the season to February 22 – March 4, 2020 in Goose Management Area 4
- Proposed addition of dates to brant season in Pacific County, contingent upon the most recent 3-year average results per the Pacific Brant Population Management Plan harvest strategy.

WAC 220-416-110 Use of game birds for training dogs, field trials – Marking requirements.

The proposed changes clarify that only one method is required for marking game birds and adds an additional method option, which is nasal scarring caused by an anti-pecking device. In addition, the proposal adjusts the ordering of existing options for marking non-waterfowl game birds.

WAC 220-417-030 Wild animal trapping.

The proposed changes clarify that restraining traps (live capture traps) must be checked every 24 hours, whether or not an animal has been captured.

WAC 220-430-010 Game farm license provisions.

The proposed changes clarify that a game farm license is required to sell species listed in subsection 2 (game birds and waterfowl). Also, the proposed changes clarify that a current, valid license is required to continue to possess, propagate, sell and transfer wildlife that was lawfully possessed on January 1, 1992. Lastly, the proposed changes add conditions for revocation or denial of a game farm's license and grounds for prosecution under existing RCW.

WAC 220-450-010 Criteria for planting aquatic plants and releasing wildlife.

The proposed changes clarify that game birds released for dog training and hunting pursuant to WAC 220-416-110 do not need to be purchased. Instead, they simply need to be acquired from certain facilities. These facilities include a department facility, a state- or federally-licensed game farm facility that has been inspected by a certified veterinarian within the past twelve months, or a facility with current National Poultry Improvement Plan certification.

**Reasons supporting proposal:**

WAC 220-410-040 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions – Region four.

The proposed amendments will make the boundaries more discernable for hunters. The proposed changes will also make enforcement of hunting season rules and trespass rules more straightforward.

WAC 220-410-060 Game management units (GMUs) boundary descriptions-Region six.

The proposed amendments will make the boundaries more discernable for hunters. The proposed changes will also make enforcement of hunting season rules and trespass rules more straightforward.

WAC 220-412-070 Big game and wild turkey auction, raffle, and special incentive permits.

1) GMU 334 has historically been excluded from the legal hunt area for auction, raffle, and special incentive permits, in addition to Quality Elk and Bull Elk special permits because it primarily consists of private residential and agricultural properties within and/or immediately adjacent to the city limits of Ellensburg, which makes it difficult for most hunters to find an area within the GMU where they have permission to hunt. In addition, the potential for human-elk conflicts within this GMU is high and the Department limits elk numbers by providing numerous opportunities to harvest spike bull (or true spike) and antlerless elk during general seasons. However, with no opportunities to harvest branch-antlered bulls, the number of mature bulls has steadily increased and they are frequently the source of damage complaints from agricultural producers. Including opportunities to harvest branch-antlered bulls in GMU 334 would provide increased opportunity to hunters, reduce the number of branch-antlered bulls, and reduce the number of human-elk conflicts that occur in association with branch-antlered bulls.

2) These bighorn herds are closely managed, so biologists typically have good data on the number and distribution of the large-sized rams sought by auction and raffle holders. WDFW also co-manages these herds with Oregon and the Nez Perce Tribes, so fine-scale distribution of hunters is helpful.

WAC 220-412-100 Landowner hunting permits.

Several years ago, the Fish and Wildlife Commission developed a policy to expand the private lands available to the general public for hunting. One of the programs that was authorized is the Landowner Hunting Permit Program. This program encourages landowners to provide opportunity to the general hunter in exchange for customized hunting seasons and the ability to generate funding to offset the cost of providing public access.

WAC 220-413-030 Importation and retention of dead nonresident wildlife.

Because Tennessee has identified chronic wasting disease in wild, free-ranging deer, the department seeks to mitigate the risk to public health and safety by adding the state of Tennessee to WAC 220-413-030.

WAC 220-413-090 Field identification of wildlife – Evidence of sex – Definitions.

The proposed amendment to WAC 220-416-090 Field identification of wildlife-Evidence of sex-Definition, brings field identification of game birds in line with federal possession and transport identification requirements. Identification of migratory waterfowl by wing is a typical training component for federal and state enforcement and should be allowed as an appropriate method of identification for game bird hunters in Washington. The exception of Canada and Cackling geese harvested in Goose Management Area 2 Coast and Inland where the head must be left attached for subspecies determination must be required due to the use of a bill measurement criteria set in WAC 220-413-060 2019-2020 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations that differentiates the Dusky Canada goose subspecies which is closed to harvest.

WAC 220-413-180 Special closures and firearm restrictions.

The added language was needed to clarify that modern firearms could be used within these areas to mitigate damage issues during established permit and/or damage hunts, which increases the department's ability to accommodate both firearm restriction needs and wildlife conflict mitigation. The Key Peninsula is also known to some as Longbranch Peninsula; the proposed change clarifies they are the same location.

WAC 220-413-200 Reducing the spread of hoof disease – Unlawful transport of elk hooves.

This proposal adds GMUs where transport of elk hooves will be restricted in order to reduce the potential risk of the disease spreading.

WAC 220-414-070 Archery requirements.

Washington is the only state that has a minimum arrow weight to draw weight ratio and only one of five that have a similar regulation of minimum overall weight of 300 grains. With the advent of carbon arrow technology, which dominates today's market, it is likely a vast majority of archery hunters are unknowingly in violation of the arrow weight to draw weight ratio restriction. In addition, it is highly unlikely any archer would shoot an arrow that weighed less than 300 grains. Lastly, we have no additional information that indicates either of these restrictions increases kill efficacy.

WAC 220-414-080 Hunting – Hunter orange clothing requirements.

This proposal will increase turkey hunter success and maintain safety. Turkey seasons in the past did not overlap with modern deer or elk firearm season. New proposals to control growing turkey populations make it necessary to overlap those seasons. Last year we modified the hunter orange rule to include turkey. We have since found that the rule as written was too broad and turkey hunters had to wear orange throughout the fall season. This recommended rule adjustment provides more flexibility for turkey hunters, while maintaining the hunter orange requirement during the deer and elk modern firearm seasons.

WAC 220-415-020 2018-2020 Deer general seasons and definitions.

These proposals provide for recreational deer hunting opportunity and protects deer from overharvest. The proposal would maintain sustainable general deer hunting season opportunities for 2019. The proposal helps address deer agricultural damage problems and provides for deer population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-030 2019 Deer special permits.

These proposals provide for recreational deer hunting opportunity and protects deer from overharvest. The proposal would also maintain sustainable deer special permit hunting season opportunities for 2019. The proposal helps address deer agricultural damage problems and provides for deer population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-040 Elk area descriptions.

This proposal allows the department to use hunting as a management tool and expands elk hunting opportunity.

WAC 220-415-050 2018-2020 Elk general seasons and definitions.

The proposal provides for recreational elk hunting opportunity and helps address elk agricultural damage problems and provides for elk population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-060 2019 Elk special permits.

This proposal provides for recreational elk hunting opportunity and protects elk from overharvest. The proposal would maintain sustainable elk special permit hunting opportunity for 2019. The proposal helps address elk agricultural damage problems and provides for elk population control when needed.

WAC 220-415-070 2019 Moose seasons, permit quotas, and areas.

Population abundance estimates and document of recent past harvest.

WAC 220-415-120 Bighorn sheep seasons and permit quotas.

Population abundance estimates and document of recent past harvest.

WAC 220-415-130 2019 Mountain goat seasons and permit quotas.

Population abundance estimates and document of recent past harvest.

WAC 220-416-060 2019-2020 Migratory waterfowl seasons and regulations.

Waterfowl seasons and regulations are developed based on cooperative management programs among states of the Pacific Flyway and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, considering population status and other biological parameters. The rule establishes waterfowl seasons and regulations to provide recreational opportunity, control waterfowl damage, and conserve the waterfowl resources of Washington.



WAC 220-416-110 Use of game birds for training dogs, field trials – Marking requirements.

The proposal provides clarity so that the WAC is not misinterpreted to mean that game birds must be marked by all methods.

The use of anti-pecking devices is standard among game farms in the western US, particularly for pheasants which can be aggressive in captivity. By allowing nasal scarring caused by these devices to meet the marking requirements, the department is reducing the burden on game farmers to apply an additional mark to game birds. This proposed change will also improve compliance in marking requirements.

The proposal to adjust the order of the listed marking requirements is intended to emphasize less invasive methods.

WAC 220-417-030 Wild animal trapping.

The current WAC states that an animal captured in a restraining trap must be removed within 24 hours but doesn't state that traps must be checked every 24 hours. The proposed change clarifies that the traps must be checked every 24 hours and captured animals may not be restrained for more than 24 hours.

WAC 220-430-010 Game farm license provisions.

The proposed changes support game farm license holders by emphasizing that certain species cannot be sold without a game farm license. This is intended to reduce confusion and to ensure that unlicensed individuals are not selling these species.

In addition, the proposed changes provide clarity regarding license requirements to game farm license holders who maintain species that were lawfully possessed prior to prior to January 1, 1992.

The proposed changes also provide the department with the necessary tools to ensure that game farm license holders are compliant with the game farm license provisions.

WAC 220-450-010 Criteria for planting aquatic plants and releasing wildlife.

The proposed changes simplify requirements for obtaining game birds for dog training and hunting pursuant to WAC 220-416-110. The changes also seek to ensure that game birds are acquired from facilities that undergo appropriate inspections and follow appropriate guidelines to reduce the risk of disease transmission.

**Statutory authority for adoption:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.570, 77.32.070, and 77.32.530.

**Statute being implemented:** RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, 77.12.020, 77.12.047, 77.12.150, 77.12.240, 77.12.570, 77.32.070, and 77.32.530.

**Is rule necessary because of a:**

- Federal Law?  Yes  No
- Federal Court Decision?  Yes  No
- State Court Decision?  Yes  No

If yes, CITATION:

**Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:** None.

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**Is a school district fiscal impact statement required under RCW 28A.305.135?**  Yes  No

If yes, insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the school district fiscal impact statement by contacting:

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**Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?**

Yes: A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

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No: Please explain: The rule proposal does not require a cost-benefit analysis.

**Regulatory Fairness Act Cost Considerations for a Small Business Economic Impact Statement:**

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, **may be exempt** from requirements of the Regulatory Fairness Act (see chapter 19.85 RCW). Please check the box for any applicable exemption(s):

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.061 because this rule making is being adopted solely to conform and/or comply with federal statute or regulations. Please cite the specific federal statute or regulation this rule is being adopted to conform or comply with, and describe the consequences to the state if the rule is not adopted.

Citation and description:

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt because the agency has completed the pilot rule process defined by RCW 34.05.313 before filing the notice of this proposed rule.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under the provisions of RCW 15.65.570(2) because it was adopted by a referendum.

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025(3). Check all that apply:

- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(b) (Internal government operations)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(e) (Dictated by statute)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(c) (Incorporation by reference)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(f) (Set or adjust fees)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(d) (Correct or clarify language)
- RCW 34.05.310 (4)(g) ((i) Relating to agency hearings; or (ii) process requirements for applying to an agency for a license or permit)

This rule proposal, or portions of the proposal, is exempt under RCW 19.85.025 (4).

Explanation of exemptions, if necessary: Proposed rule does not affect small businesses.

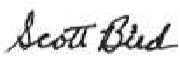
**COMPLETE THIS SECTION ONLY IF NO EXEMPTION APPLIES**

If the proposed rule is **not exempt**, does it impose more-than-minor costs (as defined by RCW 19.85.020(2)) on businesses?

- No Briefly summarize the agency's analysis showing how costs were calculated. \_\_\_\_\_
- Yes Calculations show the rule proposal likely imposes more-than-minor cost to businesses, and a small business economic impact statement is required. Insert statement here:

The public may obtain a copy of the small business economic impact statement or the detailed cost calculations by contacting:

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