

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
TOBIAS READ
SECRETARY OF STATE

MICHAEL KAPLAN
DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE



ARCHIVES DIVISION
STEPHANIE CLARK
DIRECTOR

800 SUMMER STREET NE
SALEM, OR 97310
503-373-0701

TEMPORARY ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & JUSTIFICATION

DFW 36-2026

CHAPTER 635

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

FILED: 05/11/2026 12:29 PM

ARCHIVES DIVISION SECRETARY OF STATE & LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

FILING CAPTION: Open Hatchery Chinook Salmon Angling in Lookingglass Creek

EFFECTIVE DATE: 05/15/2026 THROUGH 06/14/2026

AGENCY APPROVED DATE: 05/11/2026

CONTACT:

Linda Spansel

503-947-6233

linda.d.spansel@odfw.oregon.gov

4034 Fairview Industrial Dr SE

Salem, OR 97302

Filed By:

Linda Spansel

Rules Coordinator

NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

This amended rule is needed to allow recreational harvest of hatchery Chinook in Lookingglass Creek as described in the 2026 Spring Chinook Fishery Implementation Plan for the Snake River Basin, Oregon. The Lower Snake River Compensation Plan (LSRCP) provides hatchery Chinook harvest opportunity for recreational anglers in Lookingglass Creek in years when enough spring Chinook salmon are projected to return. The 2026 projected run size allows for the harvest authorized by this temporary rule. LSRCP was developed to compensate for lost harvest opportunities due to the operation of the Lower Snake River Dams.

JUSTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY FILING:

There is not adequate time to go through normal rulemaking proceedings to modify these rules in a timely manner before the fish are present in this fishery (consistent with the specified opening date).

Fisheries are managed to provide tribal treaty and recreational fishing opportunities while meeting species- or stock-specific allocations and remaining within ESA guidelines.

Failure to adopt this rule would cause serious prejudice to the public interest in that recreational anglers would not be

allowed to harvest the available share of this valuable resource.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

1. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) 2011. Lookingglass Creek Spring Chinook Program, Hatchery and Genetic Management Plan (draft submitted to NOAA Fisheries, May 2011).
2. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) 2012. Fisheries Management and Evaluation Plan for Snake River Spring/Summer Chinook – Grande Ronde Subbasin.
3. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) and Nez Perce Tribe (NPT) 2019. Lookingglass Creek spring Chinook management plan.
4. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW). 2026. Oregon Spring Chinook Sport Fishery Implementation Plan for the Snake River Basin; Pre-Season 3/9/2026.

A copy of the rules and the other documents relied upon for this rulemaking [the above document(s)] are available from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Fish Division, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, Oregon 97302-1142. Contact Linda Spansel at 503-947-6233 or linda.d.spansel@odfw.oregon.gov to view by appointment between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., on normal working days, Monday through Friday.

AMEND: 635-019-0520

RULE SUMMARY: This amended rule allows recreational harvest of hatchery Chinook in Lookingglass Creek from May 15 through June 14, 2026.

CHANGES TO RULE:

635-019-0520

La Grande District

~~Reserving Number~~ (1) Effective May 15 through June 14 the following regulations apply in Lookingglass Creek from the mouth upstream to the confluence with Jarboe Creek: ¶

(a) Open for hatchery Chinook salmon; ¶

(b) The daily bag limit is two adult and five jack hatchery Chinook. It is illegal to continue fishing for jack Chinook salmon once the adult daily bag limit is met; ¶

(c) Use of bait is allowed; and ¶

(d) Hook-gap size may not exceed 1 inch for single point hooks or 9/16 inch for multiple point hooks. ¶

(2) All other General, Statewide and Zone regulations, as provided in the current annual Oregon Sport Fishing Regulations, remain in effect.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 496.138, ORS 496.146

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 496.162